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MESSAGE

Indian Space Program has been built around the vision of Dr. Vikram Sarabhai in application of technology for providing critical services to the Nation in the areas of Earth observation, Communication, Navigation & timing services and Space science. The services through satellite platform reaches even the underserved and un-served areas of the Nation.



India has emerged as the leading nation in utilizing remote sensing technology for earth observation services in the areas of meteorology, crop management, land use pattern, ecology, disaster management etc. These services serve as planning and decision support tools for many government agencies and departments. In addition, remote sensing technology is also used innovatively for geo tagging of MNREGA assets, progress monitoring of PMAY projects, watershed management as well as generation of maps for police usage. In near future, the entire kharif and rabi crops including horticulture will come under the coverage of remote sensing.

Every year, Remote Sensing Day is celebrated on 12th August, which is the birth anniversary of Dr. Vikram Sarabhai. This year, it is being celebrated by organizing drawing competition for school children on the theme "Remote Sensing - what and why" in various parts of the country through ISRS local chapters.

I compliment the Indian Society of Remote Sensing for organizing National Remote Sensing Day to improve the awareness of school children to the exciting world of space technology application. This will definitely inspire a few of them to take up rewarding career in this field. I wish the organizers all the best for grand success of the program.

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