

Empowering Young Dreams: Regional Passport Office, Pune Facilitates Students' Exposure Visit to NASA and ESA by Issuing Passports Within 24 Hours

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As part of the Students and Ministry of External Affairs Engagement Programme (SAMEEP), the Regional Passport Office (RPO), Pune, hosted an interactive 'Samvaad' with students from Zilla Parishad schools in Pune district who have been selected for the NASA/ESA Exposure Visit on 14 October 2026.



During the interaction, Dr. Vinod Gaikwad, Regional Passport Officer, Pune, engaged with the students on passport services and the importance of a passport as an enabler of international travel and opportunities. Drawing upon his experience in the Indian Foreign Service and his exposure to international affairs, he shared insights into global opportunities, cross-cultural learning, and

the importance of broadening one's horizons.

RPO Pune appreciated the efforts of the Zilla Parishad in providing students with this valuable opportunity for international exposure. A total of 52 students were present for interactive Samvaad, in the presence of Zilla Parishad Chief Executive Officer Shri Gajanan Patil, Additional Chief Executive Officer Shri Chandrakant Waghmare, and teachers.



Demonstrating its commitment to providing transparent and efficient passport services, RPO Pune expedited the passport issuance process for the selected students, issuing their passports within 24 hours to support their upcoming educational visit.

RPO Pune congratulated the students on this achievement and extended its best wishes for an enriching and memorable visit. The initiative reflects RPO Pune's commitment to citizen-centric service delivery while supporting young students in pursuing opportunities beyond borders.

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