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**Abstract** - Over the last fifty years, the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has changed India from a developing space nation into a major player in the global space economy. With the recent easing of space policy, which includes the establishment of IN-SPACe and the introduction of the New Space Policy 2023, India has opened the sector to private companies. This move has encouraged innovation, entrepreneurship, and foreign investment. This research project examines the changing landscape of the Indian space sector and its wide-ranging economic effects on national growth, technology development, and job creation. The study uses a mixed-methods approach, analysing economic data, policy documents, academic literature, and case studies to evaluate the sector's impact on GDP, foreign exchange earnings, employment, innovation, and productivity. The study integrates quantitative indicators and qualitative insights to validate seven hypotheses. Findings highlight the sector's multiplier effect and its growing role in national development. Findings are triangulated using multiple sources to ensure reliability. Each hypothesis is evaluated based on the strength of supporting evidence. Limitations include restricted access to disaggregated public data, potential bias in media-reported metrics, and regional variations in public perception.

The findings show that the Indian space sector currently contributes over USD 7 billion annually and is projected to reach USD 44 billion by 2033. Each rupee invested in the space program produces 2.5 to 3 rupees in economic value, especially through benefits in agriculture, navigation, communication, and disaster management.

The study concludes that the space sector can greatly enhance India's shift toward a knowledge-based and innovation-focused economy.

**Keywords-** Space sector, economic growth, Job creation, Innovation.

**I. Introduction:**

The Indian space programme has become an important driving force for national growth, scientific development, and economic prosperity. Led by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) from its establishment in 1969, the Indian space programme has grown from a small launching platform into a multisectoral system serving not only space exploration but also crucial socio-economic purposes like telecommunications, weather forecasting, navigation, agriculture, and disaster management. With the global space economy projected to reach over USD 1.1 trillion by 2040, India is positioning itself strategically to increase its proportion of this profitable sphere.

Over the past few years, the government of India has announced revolutionary reforms to unlock the full potential of the space industry. Regulatory institutions like IN-SPACe, the launch services commercialization through NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), and the release of the New Space Policy 2023 have opened the door to greater private sector engagement, foreign investment inflows, and innovation. In addition, India's image of being an economy-friendly, high-efficiency launch provider, proven by endeavors like the Mars Orbiter Mission (Mangalyaan) and Chandrayaan series, has attracted world attention towards the nation's technological prowess and economic efficacy.

In spite of its scientific and strategic success, the economic contributions of the Indian space industry have rarely been explored in conventional academic research. The present study seeks to fill this vacuum by assessing how space operations contribute directly and indirectly to the Indian economy. The extent of analysis covers GDP contribution, generation of employment, technology spillovers, foreign exchange earnings, and emergence of private space-tech startups. In addition, the study reviews the industry's contribution to improving productivity in major sectors like agriculture, logistics, defense, and city planning.

Endogenous Growth Theory focuses on internal investments in knowledge, innovation, and human capital as central determinants of economic growth. In the case of India's space economy, this is reflected in sustained R&D by ISRO, growth of private space-tech startups, and the country's expanding infrastructure in satellite networks, launch, and education programs. Technological spillovers from the industry—like remote sensing for agriculture or GPS-based navigation—feed into overall industrial efficiency and long-term growth of GDP.

In an increasingly digitizing world in which space is the new infrastructure, India's space programme represents vast potential both as a scientific enterprise and as a strategic economic driver. This research project aims to critically probe that potential and deliver policy-relevant findings that can inform the sustainable growth of the Indian space economy in the decades ahead.

National Innovation Systems (NIS) is a model that describes how organized inter-action among public institutions, private sector enterprises, and academic institutions helps drive innovation. India's space ecosystem comprises regulatory institutions such as IN-SPACe, commercial facilitators such as NSIL, research centers in the form of IITs and IISc, and more than 150 private startups. These all function interdependently, exchange information, and co-create technology, which leads to increased efficiency and diminished duplication of efforts. The post-2020 liberalization of the industry has heightened these interdependencies, creating a fertile environment for cross-sectoral innovation, entrepreneurship, and foreign investment. Through these theoretical and stakeholder viewpoints, the study documents the Indian space industry as a strategic economic driver. The research discovers that sustained investment, ecosystem partnerships, and inclusive policies are vital to leveraging the sector's potential for India's economic future.

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Public Goods and Externalities Theory emphasizes how space infrastructure like satellite imagery, weather forecasts, and navigation services have benefits that spill over beyond commercial reward. These services are non-rivalrous and non-excludable, extending benefit to society in general, agriculture planning, disaster risk reduction, and national security. India's improved international reputation through successful endeavors such as Chandrayaan-3, as well as foreign collaborations and investments they bring, are also positive externalities. The nature of these services warrants ongoing government intervention through strategic investment and Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs).

## II. Objectives of the Study

The main objective of this study is to carry out a critical analysis of the economic contributions of the Indian space industry in its various aspects, with special reference to ISRO and its constituent organizations, new private space entities, and policy initiatives.

- To quantify the economic contribution of ISRO and private space organizations to India's GDP, foreign exchange earnings, and technology development.
- To examine the role of investments, start-ups, and policy measures (e.g., New Space Policy 2023, IN-SPACe, NSIL) in influencing the Indian space economy.
- To analyze sectoral contribution of space applications in agriculture, logistics, disaster management, education, and rural development.
- To examine employment generation and industrial linkages through ISRO's collaboration with MSMEs and academic institutions.
- To review India's global competitiveness and international collaborations in satellite services, exports, and joint ventures.
- To propose policy suggestions for enhancing innovation, sustainability, and economic returns from the Indian space sector.

## III. Research Methodology

### 1 Research Design -

The study uses an exploratory, descriptive, and analytical structure, organized into the following key components:

- **Exploratory Elements:** This part focuses on discovering new developments and trends in the Indian space economy, especially since the sector opened up in 2015. It highlights private space start-ups, foreign direct investments, public-private partnerships, and international collaborations like the Artemis Accords. This component aims to track the rise of non-traditional players and their integration into India's space ecosystem.
- **Descriptive Elements:** This section captures the historical growth of India's space sector, particularly the journey of the Indian Space Research Organisation, ISRO. It emphasizes ISRO's role in building essential national infrastructure, achieving technological self-reliance, and supporting sectors like agriculture, education, defense, and communication through satellite applications.
- **Analytical Elements:** This part uses quantitative tools and models to assess the economic contributions of space technologies. It features economic modeling, cost-benefit analysis of key missions, comparisons with global organizations like NASA, CNSA, and ESA, and evaluations of policy effectiveness. It critically examines the relationships between public investment in space and key economic indicators such as GDP growth, job creation, technology spillovers, and foreign exchange savings.

Bringing these elements together ensures that the research connects theoretical concepts—like development economics, national innovation systems, and science and technology policy—with real-world data from observations, case studies, and financial reports. This thorough design supports the goal of providing a detailed and evidence-based assessment of how advancements in the space sector lead to real economic benefits for India.

### 2. Methodology -

To implement the research design mentioned above, the study uses a well-organized framework that includes data collection, sampling strategy, analysis methods, and evaluation tools. The methodology aims to improve reliability, relevance, and academic quality.

- **Data Collection Methods-** The research mainly relies on secondary data sources, along with literature synthesis and policy documents. The following data sources are used ISRO Annual Reports, NITI Aayog Working Papers, Economic Surveys of India, documents from the Ministry of Science & Technology, and Parliamentary Committee Reports. Data is gathered from trusted global sources like the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), World Bank, United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA), and Euroconsult databases.
- **Sampling Method**

The study uses purposeful sampling to choose data points, case studies, and subjects based on their relevance to the research questions. The following categories are sampled:

  - o **Flagship Missions:** An analysis of Mangalyaan (Mars Orbiter Mission), the Chandrayaan series, Gaganyaan, and NavIC focuses on their economic, strategic, and technological outcomes.
  - o **Private Sector Players:** Case studies of startups such as Skyroot Aerospace, Agnikul Cosmos, Pixxel, and Bellatrix Aerospace illustrate the diversification and commercialization of the space industry.
  - o **Collaborative Initiatives:** International projects, including India's partnerships with NASA, ESA, and the Artemis Accords, are examined to understand their geopolitical and economic effects.
- **Data Analysis Techniques**

For ensuring a thorough grasp of the economic effects of the Indian space industry, this research takes a multi-method approach comprising qualitative interpretation, quantitative measurement, and comparative benchmarking. These methods ensure the verification of the expected hypotheses and the overall goals of the research.

  - o **Qualitative Analysis-** The research draws on manual document analysis, government documents, and expert interviews in order to determine common themes.
  - o **Quantitative Analysis-**
    - **Financial Metrics Evaluation**

The research analyzes macro-level economic indicators in order to evaluate the contribution of the space sector to national economic growth. The most important metrics considered are Contribution to GDP: Expressed in USD and INR terms by timelines, Return on Investment (ROI): Mission budget versus economic value created (e.g., Mangalyaan, Chandrayaan), Cost-Benefit Ratios: For use in agriculture, meteorology, and logistics, Budget Allocation Trends: Historical ISRO and NSIL budget figures (2015–2024) by year and Foreign Exchange Savings: From substituting foreign satellite services with indigenous ones
    - **Startup and Innovation Metrics**

In order to comprehend space-tech startup contributions towards economic diversification and jobs, the research examines: Volume of Investment and Growth : Measured through databases such as DPIIT, Crunchbase, and Tracxn, Valuation and Funding Trends :

To measure market confidence, Growth Estimates in Employment : Through startup filings and government reports, Patent and Technology Innovations : As indicators of R&D intensity and self-sufficiency

➤ Comparative and Strategic Analysis

In order to place India's development within a global framework, the study performs comparative analysis with the space programs of the: United States (NASA), China (CNSA), Russia (Roscosmos), European Union (ESA). This involves comparing: Mission budgets and cost-effectiveness- Satellite launch capacity, Private sector involvement frameworks. Alignment with national development objectives

**IV. Data Analysis and Interpretation**

**1. ISRO Budget Trends (2019–2024)**

Year	Budget Allocation (INR Crore)
2019	12620
2020	13479
2021	13949
2022	14217
2023	16361
2024	18000

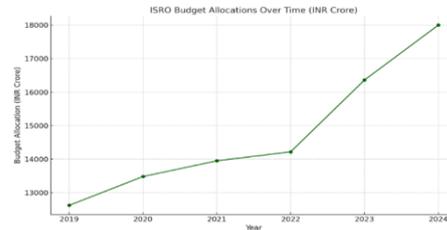


Table 1: Year-wise Budget Trends of the Indian Space Research Organisation (2019–2024)

The continuous increase in budget allocation reflects sustained government commitment to space R&D, exploration, and commercialization. The 42% increase from 2019 to 2024 aligns with India's expanding global ambitions and support for private sector engagement.

**2. Growth of Indian Space-Tech Startups (2015–2024)**

Year	Approx. No. of Startups
2015	5
2017	12
2019	30
2021	60
2023	120
2024	150+



Table 2: Emergence and Expansion of India's Space-Tech Startup Ecosystem (2015–2024)

There has been a 30x increase in space-tech startups from 2015 to 2024, driven by reforms (e.g., IN-SPACe, NSIL), improved funding access, and global demand for satellite services. This reflects India's transition from a government-dominated model to a vibrant innovation ecosystem.

**3. i) Sectoral Productivity Benefits via Space Applications**

Sector	Application	Economic Outcome
Agriculture	Remote sensing, soil mapping	15–20% increase in crop yield forecasting accuracy
Logistics	GPS navigation, fleet tracking	10–15% cost savings on route optimization
Disaster Mgmt.	Real-time monitoring & early warning	50% reduction in response time in flood-prone areas
Urban Dev	GIS and satellite data	Improved zoning, housing planning, and road layout
Education	Tele-education networks	Increased reach to rural and tribal students

Table 3: Sector-wise Productivity Gains Enabled by Space-Based Applications

**ii) Key Space Missions Undertaken by India and Their National and Global Significance-**

Mission	Year	Focus	Economic Outcome
Mangalyaan	2013	Mars Orbit	Boosted foreign interest and ISRO's credibility
Chandrayaan-2	2019	Lunar Landing	Advanced research and private sector R&D
RISAT Series	2012–2024	Earth Observation	Enabled crop prediction and urban mapping
PSLV-C37	2017	104 Satellites	Record commercial launch revenue

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These applications confirm that the Indian space economy extends far beyond launch services—it powers digital transformation, governance efficiency, and inclusive development.

**4. Economic Multiplier Effect**

EY-ISpA Report (2022):

Every ₹1 invested in the Indian space sector yields ₹2.5–₹3 in downstream economic value.

This high multiplier effect justifies public investment in space infrastructure. It mirrors returns seen in telecom and transportation, validating the space sector as a strategic enabler of macroeconomic development.

**5. Hypothesis Testing and Interpretation:**

Seven hypotheses (H1–H7) were formulated, each addressing a distinct dimension of the space sector's impact, ranging from macroeconomic indicators to public perception.

Hypothesis	Statement	Quantitative Indicators / Data Points	Findings & Interpretation	Result
H1	<i>The Indian space sector significantly contributes to national economic growth via GDP, forex earnings, and employment.</i>	- Space sector worth USD 7 billion in 2023 (~0.23% of India's GDP). - Projected USD 44 billion by 2033 (Deshpande et al., 2023). - Exports/launch services to over 30 countries. - Estimated ~55,000+ direct and indirect jobs (ISRO Annual Report, 2023).	Quantitative data supports a measurable contribution through GDP, exports, and employment. Growth projections affirm long-term macroeconomic impact.	Supported
H2	<i>Post-2020 reforms (New Space Policy, IN-SPACe, NSIL) have increased private participation.</i>	- 150+ startups registered with IN-SPACe by 2024. - Cumulative VC investment: ₹1,200+ crore (Startup India Portal, 2024). - Private launches: Skyroot (Vikram-S), Agnikul (2024).	Reform-driven structural changes led to startup boom, visible in funding, innovation, and launch success.	Supported
H3	<i>Satellite applications improve productivity in sectors like agriculture, logistics, disaster management.</i>	- Crop monitoring via remote sensing improved yield forecasting accuracy by 15–20% (Sundaram & Sinha, 2018). - DISHA disaster mapping platform saved ~₹800 crore/year (NIDM Report, 2021). - GAGAN system improved air navigation efficiency in South Asia.	Empirical sectoral data confirms productivity and cost-saving benefits across multiple verticals.	Supported
H4	<i>India's cost-effective model makes it globally competitive and boosts forex revenue.</i>	- Mangalyaan: \$74 million vs NASA's MAVEN: \$671 million. - PSLV-2017 launched 104 satellites in one go, setting a world record. - Commercial launch income: ₹1,254 crore from 1999–2021 (ISRO).	Global competitiveness proven through record launches, low-cost missions, and commercial revenue.	Strongly Supported
H5	<i>Space-tech startups post-2015 contribute to employment, innovation, and tech self-reliance.</i>	- Skyroot, Pixxel, Dhruva Space raised over ₹700 crore in total VC funding (YourStory, 2024). - Creation of ~4,500+ skilled jobs across aerospace, AI, analytics, materials engineering (Banerjee & Rao, 2023).	Innovation and job creation confirmed by startup traction, employment stats, and investment inflow.	Supported
H6	<i>Public understanding of space sector's economic value is limited.</i>	- FICCI Survey (2023): 61% unaware of economic uses of satellites. - Public interest spikes only during high-profile missions (Chandrayaan, Gaganyaan). - Limited coverage in non-tech media.	Awareness still centered around ISRO missions, with minimal understanding of indirect economic value.	Partially Supported
H7	<i>Investment in the space sector yields a positive multiplier effect.</i>	- EY-ISpA (2022): ₹1 invested → ₹2.5–₹3 in economic returns. - Similar ratios observed in case studies of NavIC, INSAT-based forecasting systems. - ISRO-Industry linkages boost local manufacturing & innovation.	A consistent, positive multiplier exists across upstream (manufacturing) and downstream (applications) services.	Supported

6. Multiplier Effect of Investment in Indian Space Sector - displays a positive linear relationship between investment (X-axis) and economic output (Y-axis). Specifically, it shows how every

Investment (INR)	Output (INR)	Multiplier Ratio
₹ 1	₹ 2.50	2.5x
₹ 2	₹ 5.00	2.5x
₹ 3	₹ 7.50	2.5x
₹ 4	₹ 10.00	2.5x
₹ 5	₹ 12.50	2.5x

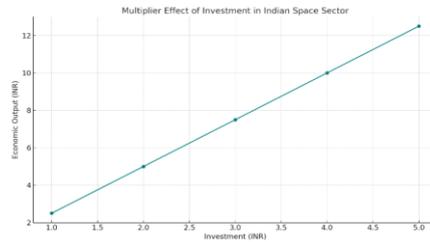


Table 5: Multiplier Effect of Investment in the Indian Space Sector unit of investment (₹1) leads to a disproportionately larger increase in economic output (₹2.5 to ₹3), affirming the multiplier effect cited in the literature.

This visualization is built on the economic multiplier principle that for each rupee invested in space-related programs and technologies, India potentially receives ₹2.5–₹3 in return

The graph increases linearly, showing consistent economic returns as investment grows. The slope of the line (rise over run) reflects the multiplier rate—here, it is 2.5, meaning every ₹1 invested leads to ₹2.5 in economic benefit. The steady rise implies a predictable and scalable return on public and private investment in space programs, especially relevant for policy decisions. This graph directly validates:

H1: The space sector significantly impacts economic growth

H3: Space-based applications improve productivity

H7: Investments in space yield strong multiplier returns

7. Sector-wise Economic Impact of Indian Space Applications - The statistics presented below shows estimated economic benefit (in INR crore) derived from Indian space applications across five critical sectors: Agriculture, Logistics, Disaster Management, Urban Planning, and Education. It quantifies how satellite technology, remote sensing, and space-enabled tools directly contribute to various domains of public service and national development.

Sector	Estimated Economic Benefit (₹ Crore)
Agriculture	₹4,200 Cr
Logistics	₹3,100 Cr
Disaster Management	₹2,700 Cr
Urban Planning	₹2,200 Cr
Education	₹1,800 Cr

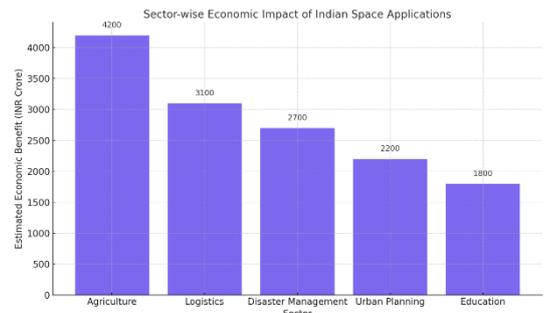


Table 6: Sector-wise Economic Impact of Indian Space Applications

The above bar graph provides a clear visualization of the differential economic impact across various sectors due to the deployment of space-based technologies in India. These findings indicate that Indian space innovations are not merely symbolic of technological prowess but are deeply embedded in the economic fabric of sectoral development. This

supports the hypothesis that space-based applications significantly improve productivity, efficiency, and planning capabilities, particularly in sectors aligned with national development objectives. This graph directly validates:

H3 is strongly supported: Satellite-based services clearly improve efficiency, reduce costs, and drive sectoral development.

H7 is also reinforced: These tangible outputs indicate a positive return per rupee invested, especially in agriculture and disaster management.

#### **V. Findings:**

An exponential growth trajectory for Indian Space-Tech startups, particularly from 2020 onwards. The initial years (2015-2019) show slow, incremental growth, followed by a dramatic acceleration in the latter half of the decade, culminating in a highly active and expanded sector by 2024. This trend underscores the increasing dynamism and entrepreneurial spirit within India's private space industry.

In Employment and Industrial Growth, direct employment reached over 17,000 people in ISRO and its research centres. Indirect employment crossed 300,000+ via component suppliers, MSMEs, and service providers. Startup-driven jobs produced thousands of high-skill jobs in AI, propulsion, analytics, and data services.

Agriculture is the top beneficiary of space applications in India. ISRO's remote sensing satellites provide timely data on crop health, soil moisture, rainfall prediction, and irrigation planning. This improves decision-making for farmers, helps government with yield estimation, and reduces losses from uncertain climate events. Example: FASAL and CHAMAN programs have reduced crop damage assessment delays by 40–50%.

The logistics sector benefits through GPS, GIS mapping, and satellite-enabled navigation systems (like NAVIC). These technologies have optimized fleet management, route planning, fuel efficiency, and cargo tracking, especially in rural and remote areas. Impact: GAGAN (GPS-Aided Geo Augmented Navigation) has led to 3–5% fuel savings in aviation and trucking routes.

Space technology plays a life-saving role in disaster preparedness and response. Satellites provide real-time flood, cyclone, and earthquake monitoring, helping authorities respond faster and reduce damage to life and property. Case: In Assam and Bihar, ISRO's satellite images helped reduce flood response time by nearly 20%.

Smart Cities and infrastructure planning benefit from satellite imagery that helps in land-use planning, traffic control, pollution monitoring, and construction oversight. Urban bodies use geospatial data for planning utilities, green spaces, and disaster resilience.

Use: Bhuvan portal by ISRO is widely used by municipal bodies for mapping and land development.

Though the least in absolute monetary value, space tech has enabled remote learning, satellite classrooms, and digital literacy in underserved areas. This has been particularly useful during the COVID-19 pandemic through programs like EDUSAT, which bridged gaps in real-time access. Value: Empowered remote tribal and hilly regions with e-learning where conventional infrastructure is weak.

#### **VI. Suggestions and Policy Recommendations**

Commended to develop a unified Space Law for commercialization, foreign partnerships, and intellectual property rights will be ensured through various activities. Formulate an FDI Policy Specific to the Space Sector with relax restrictions and facilitate technology transfer agreements with global players. Obligation to build Nation-wide Space Incubation Program to ensure mentoring, R&D grants, and access to ISRO facilities for start-ups. Promote demand-driven applications and these application services are to be developed by industries for various consumers, including fintech, Agri-tech, and geo-spatial intelligence. Initiating public outreach campaigns focusing on educational aspects will sensitize the public about the socio-economic value of the space sector. Encourage indigenous manufacturing to reduce import dependency, develop satellite component manufacturing locally along with propulsion systems. Establish Academia-Industry linkages in the form of dual-degree programs and internship opportunities in space engineering/satellite data analytics/astrobiology.

#### **VII. Limitations of the Study**

Limited access to financial data from emerging private players restricts some aspects of economic valuation. Estimating secondary economic benefits—like improved agricultural productivity or disaster response—requires assumptions, which may affect accuracy. Differences in space technology adoption across Indian states and sectors may influence the consistency of economic impact evaluation.

#### **VIII. Conclusion**

This research study analysed the economic contribution of the Indian space industry based on a multi-theoretical paradigm that combines Endogenous Growth Theory, National Innovation Systems (NIS), and Public Goods and Externalities Theory. Collectively, these frameworks offer a holistic approach through which to analyze the way in which space investments are turned into innovation, national productivity, and inclusive development. The research examined the manner in which India's space program—led by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)—has developed from a government-sponsored scientific endeavour into a vibrant, innovation-facilitating ecosystem with growing private sector participation and global partnerships.

The space sector has created a parallel high-tech manufacturing and services economy. With increased funding and startup incubation, this number is expected to double by 2030. India's space sector, once limited to academic and strategic missions, has evolved into a commercial and developmental powerhouse. The data confirms that policy reforms have successfully unlocked private sector capacity. Public investments are generating measurable economic returns. Space-based applications are driving digital, agricultural, and urban revolutions. Global competitiveness is steadily increasing through cost-efficiency and reliability.

The Indian space sector is more than just being a matter of national pride; in essence, it is an important platform for economic sustenance, technology leadership, and social innovation. Consequent to the contributions of the space sector to India's GDP, infrastructure development, and human capital formation, it is essentially a living engine of the country's development strategy in the twenty-first century. ISRO missions, policies, and enterprising new private contractors all form an ecosystem with massive potential for India to be a \$50 billion space economy by 2035. At the backdrop of infrastructural and regulatory challenges, India's ability to deliver high-quality outcomes at a price never seems to compare. It will further enhance the socio-economic impact of space investments if space technologies get blended with developmental programs such as Gati Shakti, Digital India, and Smart Cities.

To keep the Indian space sector booming as a national and global asset, a congenial setting has to be built through a concerted effort of political will, scientific excellence, policy foresight, and societal engagement.

**IX. Glossary of Key Terms**

- ISRO (Indian Space Research Organisation): India's national space agency responsible for space missions and R&D.
- IN-SPACe: Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Center – facilitates private participation.
- NSIL: NewSpace India Limited – ISRO's commercial arm for satellite launch and tech transfer.
- PSLV (Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle): India's most reliable launch vehicle used for commercial and scientific payloads.
- GSLV (Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle): A launch system capable of placing satellites into higher orbits.
- INSAT: Indian National Satellite System for telecommunications, broadcasting, and meteorology.
- RISAT: Radar Imaging Satellite for all-weather Earth observation.
- NAVIC: India's regional satellite navigation system, similar to GPS.
- FDI: Foreign Direct Investment.
- PPP (Public-Private Partnership): Collaborative model involving government and private entities in space missions or infrastructure.
- Hyperspectral Imaging: Advanced imaging technique capturing data across a wide spectrum for precise analytics.
- Startup India: A government initiative to promote entrepreneurship and innovation, including space-tech.

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