

Suryakiran Aerobatic Team at Meerut



Arindam Nandy was at Meerut to cover the event

The Suryakiran Aerobatic Team (SKAT) of the Indian Air Force took to the skies of Meerut for the first time on 19 and 20 September 2026, captivating spectators with a breathtaking display. Over 1 lakh people, including students, National Cadet Corps (NCC) cadets and National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers turned up over two days to witness the display. Notably, three members of the SKAT team, including two pilots who performed aerobatics, are from Meerut.

On 20 September 2026, the show was witnessed by Raksha Rajya Mantri Sanjay Seth. Posting on X, Mr. Sanjay Seth described the event as a remarkable blend of discipline, precision, teamwork, and professionalism, and a testament to the Indian Air Force's glorious capabilities. He commended the courage and dedication of SKAT which has performed in over 800 airshows, both in India and abroad, in its 30 year journey, so far.

Posting on X on the first day of the display, Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh Mr. Yogi Adityanath praised the precision and courage of SKAT pilots who painted the sky in the colours of the Tricolour, showcasing breathtaking precision and courage. He called it a proud and inspiring moment for the state and a nation as a whole.

Other dignitaries who witnessed the show include Rajya Sabha MP Dr Laxmikant Bajpai, UP Minister of

