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■ India's First Privately Built Space Rocket Launched Successfully by ISRO

The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has successfully launched the country's first privately built rocket (satellite launch vehicle), heralding a level-playing field for cost-efficient satellite launch services by disrupting the entry barriers. Vikram-S, designed and developed by Hyderabad-based space tech startup Skyroot Aerospace as part of its Prarambh Mission, was launched from Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota, on 18th November 2022. The 6-metre tall launch vehicle Vikram-S is named after Vikram Sarabhai, the father of India's space programme. The rocket carried three payloads from Space Kidz India, Bazoomq Armenia and N-Space Tech India.

Prarambh is the maiden mission Skyroot Aerospace which has the support of ISRO as well as the Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre (INSPACe).

