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Abstract

Prof. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, born in India in a Tamil family, opened his mind to an extended world while in high school when he discovered that a hard solid table was also a void filled with sparse atoms and electrons spinning at equivalent speeds of thousands of kilometers per second. As an engineer, during the 60's and 70's he was a leading figure in India's access to Space. Later he developed a missile capability for the defense of India, and eventually, from 2002 till 2007 he was the President of the Republic of India. An outspoken proponent of Space Solar Systems, Abdul Kalam received the Vernher von Braun Prize in 2013, and he proposed nations to unite for the building of Space Power. He concluded by saying we had the capability to make the world livable for all, peaceful and prosperous and asked "What are we waiting for?".