

World's First Aviation Entrepreneurial Fellowship

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20

Days



12

Cities



50

Fellows



18-25

Young
Professionals

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Introduction

Aviation doesn't just need more professionals. It needs founders, builders, and leaders who understand the industry from the inside.

The **Akashgati Fellowship (AGF)** is the **World's First Aviation Entrepreneurial Fellowship** - a 20-day, multi-city immersive expedition that takes 50 fellows across India's airports, airlines, manufacturing floors, MRO hangars, defence installations, innovation hubs, and policy corridors. Exposure is paired with mentorship, entrepreneurial rigour, and leadership formation.

Organised by the **Centre for Scientific Outreach** and aligned with **ICAO's Next Generation of Aviation Professionals (NGAP)** framework, AGF is built to shape the people who will shape Indian aviation next.

Why Akashgati?

India is becoming the world's third-largest aviation market. Yet when a college student or young professional steps into the industry, four critical gaps stand between them and meaningful contribution:



Network

No access to the people who actually build, fly, regulate, finance, and lead aviation in India.



Industry Depth

No real exposure to airports, airlines, MROs, OEMs, defence aviation, and policy — only textbook fragments.



Capital Access

No pathway to investors, accelerators, or CSR funding to convert an idea into a venture.



Pathway Clarity

No clear line of sight on whether to pursue entrepreneurship, a career, research, or policy in aviation.

AGF is built to close all four gaps in a single, intensive 20-day journey.



Eligibility



Indian nationals



Age 18–25
as on 1 Oct 2026



All academic
streams welcome

Selection & Fees



Application



Video Pitch



Aptitude Test



Final Interview



Final Cohort

Application Fee - ₹1,199 | Program fee if selected ₹60,000

May 2026

Video Submission

July 2026


Aptitude Test

Aug 2026

Final Interview

Oct 2026

Cohort 1 Expedition



100% Scholarship

Top 2 male and Top 3 female candidates

Post-Fellowship Support

AGF is designed as a lifetime fellowship, not a 20-day event.

Entrepreneurship Track

- Discounted incorporation, legal, IT and design support
- Mentorship for funding, pitch decks, investor introductions
- Access to AGF and CSO partner network

Career Track

- Career placement in aviation industry
- Network access through CSO's industry connections
- Alumni network with future AGF cohorts

The 20-Day Route

Twelve city-stops. Each city has been chosen for a distinct aviation theme. In every city, Fellows will engage with CEO-level or top-management leaders who will explain the industry from the inside.

1. Delhi

2 Days . **Policy & Regulation**. Activity: Inauguration & Visit to Regulator, Heliport, Airline Operations Control Centre.

2. Ahmedabad

1 Day. **Leasing & Finance**. Activity: Session with GIFT City, Visit to Flight Training Organization

3. Mumbai

2 Days. **Aircraft Operations**. Activity: Visit to Aerodrome, Air Traffic Control Tower, Drone Ecosystem, Maintenance Repair Organization

4. Nagpur

1 Day. **"Aircraft Maintenance"**. Activity: Visit to Aviation Cluster, Maintenance Organization, Defence Establishments

5. Hyderabad

2 Days **"Aerospace Manufacturing"**. Activity: Visit to Manufacturing Facility, Maintenance Organizations, Aviation Academy

6. Kochi

1 Day . **"Sustainable Infrastructure"**. Activity: Visit to World's first solar-powered Airport

7. Coimbatore

2 Days. **"Precision Manufacturing"**. Activity: Visit Precision Manufacturing Facility, Educational Establishments, Airforce Station, MSME Accelerator Ecosystem.

8. Bengaluru

3 Days. **"Aerospace Capital"**. Activity: Visit to Aircraft Manufacturing Facility, Defence Establishments, Airports, Startup Ecosystem.

9. Kolkata

1 Day. **"Eastern Gateway"**. Activity: Visit to Airport, MSME Ecosystem, Maintenance Facilities.

10. Guwahati

1 Day. **"Northeast Connectivity"**. Activity: Visit to Educational Institutions, Airport, Local MSME

11. Kanpur

1 Day. **"Aerospace R&D"**. Activity: Visit to Aerospace Design Labs, Defence Establishments. Startup Ecosystem

12. Delhi

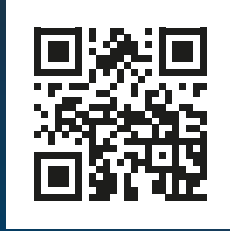
2Days. **"Conclusion"**. Activity: Final Presentation, Peer-to-peer Exchange, Networking Dinner, Departure

1 Day Buffer for Contingency for weather, ops disruptions

All partner institutions listed above are aspirational engagements in active discussion.

JOIN THE JOURNEY

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