#### General Instructions

- 1. Number of students for each team: Not more than 2 students.
- 2. Eligibility Age as on 01.04.2025: Diploma or under graduate students of age between 17 and 22 years.

Polytechnic, Engineering, Arts and Science, Commerce, Management, Agriculture, Catering, Law, Medical, Teacher Training and Fine Arts students who are interested in Astronomy and Space Science and Technology can participate. School students are not eligible.

No Registration Fee. Email: vassc2025@gmail.com

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## Tamil Nadu Astronomy & Science Society - TASS.

The Tamil Nadu Astronomy & Science Society (TASS) serves as an umbrella organization for various astronomy clubs across Tamil Nadu. Established in 2021, TASS comprises several units, including the Kovai Astro Club, Trichy Astro Club, Chennai Astro Club, Salem Astro Club, and Madurai Astro Club, among others.

The primary objective of TASS and its affiliated Astro Clubs are to foster a scientific temper among the public, particularly targeting school and college students, through the medium of astronomy.

TASS has successfully conducted numerous public outreach programs throughout Tamil Nadu, with signature events such as the Star Party, Moon Festival, "1000 Idangalil Astronomy," Planet Festival 2024, and Scope Festival 200.

Through its initiatives, TASS has promoted the astronomy in over 3,000 locations, spanning from rural villages to metropolitan areas, including Illam Thedi Kalvi centers and universities, ultimately reaching more than 5,00,000 individuals, including students.

The TASS emphasizes astronomy education, facilitated by a dedicated group of volunteers, which includes students, teachers, professors, scientists, and astronomy enthusiasts.

We invite you to join your local District Astro Club and participate as a volunteer in any area of your interest.

## Youth Astronomy and Space Science Congress YASSC - 2025

The most striking feature of Astronomy is that it is the origin of all sciences and it plays a crucial role in developing interest across various branches of Science. It enhances the scientific skills and performance of the students.

YASSC, the Youth Astronomy and Space Science Congress, is designed to provide a forum for college students aged 17-22 to showcase their creativity and innovation through scientific methods.

YASSC -2025 is a State Level Congress featuring invited talks on history and achievements in Space Science by eminent scientists, researchers and science communicators from prestigious National and International Institutions.

YASSC aims to offer diverse scientific forums, allowing students to expand their knowledge and research aptitude in astronomy, space science, and recent advancements in space technology. YASSC would enable the opportunities for students to exhibit their skills through:

Paper/Poster presentations
Development of innovative space-related games
E-content development on space science and
notable scientists
Astrophotography etc.,

YASSC-2025 will be conducted at Regional and State levels. Outstanding projects selected at the Regional level will advance to the State-level Congress, where students will gain broader exposure and recognition.

Registration Opens : Week I of March 2025

Orientation Workshop (Online): Week IV of March 2025

Interim Workshop (Online): Week II of April 2025

Last Date for Project Submission Week IV of May 2025

(Regional):

Regional Level Congress: Week IV of June 2025

State level Congress: Week III of July 2025

#### Venue and Date will be updated soon

### Regional level Congress State Congress

Tirunelveli, Virudhunagar, Sivagangai, Tiruvarur, Perambalur, Cuddalore, Erode, Salem, Vellore, Chennai

Coimbatore

\* Subject to Changes

Topics: Youth Astronomy and Space Science Congress will cover all topics in Astronomy and Space Science. Some of sub themes are listed below (But not limited):

# SUB THEMES PAPER / POSTER PRESENTATION & COMPETITIONS

## Paper/ Poster Presentation (Not more than 2 students per team)

1. Indian Space Exploration: Past.

**Present**, and Future

2. Fundamental Laws and

Principles of Space science

3. Astronomy education

4. Astrophysics and Astrobiology

5. Cosmology

6. Space Food/ Space Medicine

7. AI/ML in in astronomy

8. Space climate and Space

debris

9. Mathematics in Astronomy

10.Astro-Entrepreneurship

/Startups

11. Rocket and Propulsion Science

12.Robotics in Space Science

## Competitions

#### 1. E- Content Development:

(For Individual)
Sub-Topics:

1. Cosmology

2. Indian Space Exploration: Past,

Present, and Future

 ${\bf 3. \, Fundamental \, Laws \, and \, Principles}$ 

of Space Science

4. Biography of Astronomers and

**Space Scientists** 

5. Understanding the Solar System.

2. Astro Photography

3. Short Film Creation

4. Creation of Astro Games for

Children

If any other sub-theme based on astronomy and space science can also be used.

Students are welcome to participate in any event.

Presentations can be made in either Tamil or English.

All content must be unique, innovative and
original and cannot be plagiarized.

For further information and guidelines, please visit:

https://tass.co.in/yassc-2025

To participate, kindly register through the following link:

https://forms.gle/QuwZdNMNLKaH49oD8