METAS ADVENTIST SCHOOL

Independence Day Celebrated with Pride and Inspiration

Metas Adventist School proudly celebrated the 79th Independence Day of our nation on **15th August 2025**, honouring the spirit of freedom, unity, and progress. The objective of the celebration

was not only to remember the sacrifices of our freedom fighters but also to inspire students to contribute towards nation-building with integrity and excellence.

The program began with a warm welcome, delivered on behalf of **Eliah Srikakolli, PhD, President & CEO of METAS Group of Institutions, by Mr. Ravi Peteti, Principal – Foundational & Preparatory (Afternoon Shift)**. He set the tone for the day's patriotic fervor. Following this, the campus was filled with pride as the tricolor was unfurled and the national anthem echoed in unison

A special highlight of the occasion was the presence of our **Chief Guest, Mr. Benny P.T., Principal Chief Project Manager at the National High Speed Rail Corporation Limited, Surat**. A distinguished officer of the Indian Railway Service of Engineers (1997 UPSC batch), Mr. Benny has served in various senior capacities across India's railway divisions. Currently, he leads India's first Bullet Train project from Mumbai to Ahmedabad, a symbol of vision, innovation, and national progress.

The chief guest was felicitated by **Dr. Mohan Rao, Executive Vice-President, METAS Surat**, in a gesture of appreciation and respect. The **plaque citation was read by Mr. Naveen Rao, Principal – Middle School & Secondary (Morning Shift)**. Mr. Benny's message was deeply inspiring, urging students to embrace discipline, innovation, and resilience in their academic and personal journeys.

This Independence Day celebration stood as a reminder of Metas Adventist School's commitment to holistic education—shaping not only bright minds but also responsible citizens ready to serve the nation with courage and character.