

Event Report 79th Independence Day Celebration

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Date: 15th August 2025 **Venue:** NHCE Open Stage

Description of the Event

Independence Day is celebrated on **15th August every year**, the day India attained freedom from about 200 years of colonial rule. This occasion is not only a remembrance of our past struggles but also a day to instill the values of liberty, democracy, and unity among all citizens.

The **79th Independence Day 2025** was celebrated at **New Horizon College of Engineering** with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervor. This year's theme was: "25 Years of Excellence, 79 Years of Freedom: Building the Future Together."

The celebration began with the **flag-hoisting ceremony** at 8:50 AM by the **Chief Guest, Col. T N C Vijayasarathy** (**Recipient of the Vishisht Seva Medal**), in the esteem presence of Mr.Dhermesh Manghnani, President-NHCE, Dr. Manjunatha, Principal-NHCE, Dr. R. Bodhisatvan, Principal-NHCM, and the Registrar-NHEI, Mr. Surya Prakash. The hoisting of the tricolor was followed by the **National Anthem**, creating a vibrant and patriotic atmosphere.

The NCC unit presented a **guard of honour** to the Chief Guest. After this, Col. Vijayasarathy delivered an inspiring speech emphasizing patriotism, national service, and the role of youth in building a progressive India. He paid tribute to freedom fighters and motivated the students to contribute actively towards nation-building.

The **Principal**, **Dr. Manjunatha**, in his inspiring address, spoke about the transformative role of **Technology**, **Artificial Intelligence**, **and Quantum Computing** in redefining the future of the nation. He strongly emphasized that **India should no longer be seen as a developing country**, **but as a developed nation**, given its rapid progress in science, technology, and global leadership. Connecting his vision with the national mission of "**Viksit Bharat 2047**", he urged students and faculty to embrace innovation, research, and entrepreneurship to ensure India continues to lead the world in technological advancements and socio-economic growth.

The Chief guest, Col. T N C Vijayasarathy highlighted the remarkable developments of India since 1947. He recalled the sacrifices of freedom fighters and proudly spoke of the nation's progress in various fields. India became self-reliant in agriculture through the Green and White Revolutions, while in science and technology, missions like Chandrayaan and Mangalyaan brought global recognition. The bravery of the defense forces in Kargil and peacekeeping missions was remembered with respect. The Chief Guest also mentioned India's fast-growing economy, strong education system, and global leadership in healthcare,

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especially during the pandemic. Achievements in sports, cultural heritage, and international recognition of yoga were also appreciated. He emphasized that true patriotism lies not just in remembering the past but also in contributing to the nation's future. The speech concluded with a call to the citizens, especially the youth, to take responsibility and work together to make India a developed nation by 2047.

The cultural segment showcased **patriotic dance and song performances** by students of NHCE and NHCM, highlighting the spirit of freedom and unity. The event concluded with the distribution of sweets to all students, faculty members, and staff, spreading joy and togetherness.

Activities Conducted

- Flag Hoisting Ceremony with National Anthem
- NCC Guard of Honour
- Patriotic Address by the Chief Guest
- Patriotic Songs and Dance Performances by NHCE and NHCM students
- Distribution of sweets

No of Participants

Approx. 500 participants including students, faculty, and staff.

Guest Profile

Col. T N C Vijayasarathy, Vishisht Seva Medal Awardee

Col. Vijayasarathy is a distinguished officer of the Indian Army, recognized for his exemplary service to the nation. He had held key command and staff appointments during his career and was honored with the **Vishisht Seva Medal** for meritorious service of a high order. With vast experience in defense leadership and training, he continues to inspire the young generation through his motivational talks and contributions to society.

Photographs



Fig 1. Dignitaries during Celebration



Fig 2. Chief Guest Hoisting the National Flag



Fig 3. Motivational speech by the Chief guest





Fig 4 and 5. March Past by NSS and NCC Students





Fig 6 and 7. Faculties and Student participants during Celebration







Fig 8,9 and 10. Patriotic Performance by Students during the celebrations.