

Vikram 32-bit Microprocessor and Semicon India 2025

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At **Semicon India 2025**, the Prime Minister of India was presented with the **Made-in-India Vikram 32-bit Launch Vehicle Grade microprocessor,** marking a major milestone in **semiconductor self-reliance.**

VIKRAM3201

- VIKRAM3201 was developed by <u>ISRO's Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre</u> and <u>Semiconductor Laboratory (SCL)</u>, <u>Chandigarh</u>, along with <u>KALPANA3201(32-bit microprocessor designed to work with open-source software tools.)
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- It is an advanced version of the 16-bit VIKRAM1601, used in ISRO launch vehicle avionics since 2009.
- It is designed for **spaceflight applications**, capable of withstanding extreme temperatures of -55°C to 125°C.
 - Initial validation in space of VIKRAM3201 achieved with SpaDeX Mission (PSLV-C60 mission), proving reliability for future space missions.
- It boasts a custom instruction set architecture that is tailored for the Ada programming language, which is widely used in safety-critical systems. It is also capable of handling complex tasks like floating-point computation.
- It enables Atmanirbharata in navigation, guidance, and control systems for launch vehicles.



Semicon India 2025

- Theme: "Building the Next Semiconductor Powerhouse."
- The SEMICON India Programme, implemented through the <u>India Semiconductor Mission (ISM)</u>, showcases India's growing capabilities in chip design, packaging, and fabrication.
- It also facilitates global collaborations, research commercialization, skill development, and strengthens India's position in the **global semiconductor value chain.**

SEMICONDUCTORS

Semiconductors are materials having conductivity between conductors and insulators

- EXAMPLES
 - Pure Elements: Silicon and Germanium
 - Compounds: Gallium Arsenide and Cadmium selenide
- SIGNIFICANCE
 - Essential to almost all sectors of the economy aerospace, automobiles, communications, clean energy, information technology and medical devices etc.
- SEMICONDUCTORS AND INDIA
 - India Imports from: China, Taiwan, USA and Japan
 - Indian Semiconductor Market: Expected to reach USD 55 bn by 2026

SCHEMES

- Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme
- → Design Linked Incentive (DLI) Scheme
- Scheme for Promotion of Manufacturing of Electronic Components and Semiconductors (SPECS)

OBJECTIVES

- Encourage semiconductor and display manufacturing in the country.
- → Nurture >20 domestic companies in semiconductor design
 Achieve a turnover of > Rs.1500 crore in next 5 years
- → Manufacture electronics components and semiconductors

INDIA'S SEMICONDUCTOR MISSION (ISM)

- VISION
 - Build a vibrant semiconductor and display design and innovation ecosystem
- LAUNCHED
 - 2021
- NODAL MINISTRY
 - Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)
- 🔼 TOTAL FINANCIAL OUTLAY
 - Rs 76,000 crore

COMPONENTS

- Scheme for setting up of Semiconductor Fabs
- Scheme for setting up of Display Fabs
- Scheme for setting up of Compound Semiconductors/Silicon Photonics/ Sensors (including MEMS) Fabs/ Discrete Semiconductors Fab and Semiconductor ATMP/OSAT
- DLI Scheme



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