



92nd Indian Air Force Day

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Recently, the **92nd anniversary** of the [Indian Air Force \(IAF\)](#) was celebrated on **8th October 2024** at [Marina Beach, Chennai](#), featuring an airshow.

- The theme is "**Bhartiya Vayu Sena: Saksham, Sashakt, Atmanirbhar**" (**Potent, Powerful, and Self-Reliant**).
 - It reflects the IAF's commitment to **self-reliance and modernisation**, aligning with India's vision for a robust defence capability.
- The **motto** of IAF is **Touch the sky with Glory** (*Nabhah Sparsam Diptam*) which has been taken from the eleventh chapter of the [Bhagavad Gita](#).
- The Indian Air Force was formed on **8th October 1932**, The first **operational flight** of the IAF took place on **1st April 1933**.
- Problems concerning the defense of India were reassessed in **1939** by the **Chatfield Committee**. It proposed a scheme to raise **five flights** on a voluntary basis to assist in the **defence** of the [principal ports](#).

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