

ANNOTATION

Written by Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam, honourable President of India. "WINGS OF FIRE" is an autobiography capable of inspiring even a common man into becoming a technologist.

"Wings of Fire" is an account of a young boy who tries to achieve his dreams beating all odds. The story emphasizes the importance of family, relatives and friends in helping achieve each other's goals and turning dreams to reality. It teaches us to become a patriotic citizen of our **country shown in the book as a determinant India and countless effort of its scientists** in achieving superiority in aeronautical, space and rocket technology. This book offers an important lesson of finding success from failures of Indian space and rocket infrastructural programs. A good presentation of the role of other renowned scientists molding our country's future. This book is full of information and is a recommended choice for every student, because this book has the influence and power to motivate a person to stand out in life. "Wings of Fire" is a unique model of accomplishing one's goals, while fulfilling the promise to its country.

This book is a biography of India's president Abdul Kalam which has been co-authored with famous Arun Tiwari, who once had worked with Kalam in the field of military defense research. As from the book itself, "this is the story of Kalam who flourished from darkness into the bright sunlight, his personal and professional effort. This is also the narrative of independent India's struggle for technological self-adequacy & sovereignty in defense systems - a story as much regarding politics, as it is regarding science." The story tells us about Kalam's rise from a humble lower-middle class family & his narrative of India's efforts in rocketry & space technology. Segregated into four sections, the book gradually reaches for the stars - Orientation, Creation, Propitiation & Contemplation. **As a tribute to his mother and father, the book is dedicated to his parents.** Considering that this book comes from a scientist, this book does have little scientific narration. SLV, Geo satellite, composite material, mechanical engineering and such things. The journey itself always has technical errors especially when it's scientific in nature. Abdul Kalam, like the man himself forced his will to victory over failures, fears and disappointments.

At the core, the book is about the great Indian dream. A wish that all the founding fathers of a country have, a wish fulfilled by Abdul Kalam. A country which is divided by religion and caste. **A country which has a corrupt political system and where money rules, Abdul Kalam still made millions of citizens of India a proud nation.**