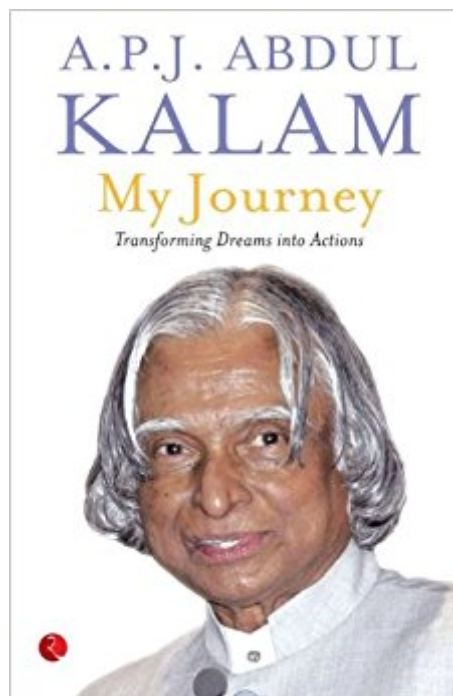




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# **My Journey: Transforming Dreams Into Actions**



## Synopsis

From a small boy growing up in Rameswaram, to becoming the country's eleventh President, A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's life has been a tale of extraordinary determination, courage, perseverance and the desire to excel. In this series of anecdotes and profiles, Dr Kalam looks back on key moments in his past-some small and some momentous-and tells the reader how each of them inspired him profoundly. With warmth and affection, he talks about the people who left a deep impression on him as he was growing up and as an adult, and the lessons he drew from his interactions with them. He describes those who have been the closest to him-his father with his deep love of God, his mother and her great kindness, his mentors who helped shape his thoughts and outlook. There are heart-warming accounts here of his childhood years spent in a small town by the Bay of Bengal and the many struggles and sacrifices made on the path to becoming a scientist and then the President of India. Dr Kalam also writes about the times when failure and dejection nearly overtook him and how he prevailed over those obstacles by drawing strength from books and spirituality. Nostalgic, honest, and deeply personal, *My Journey* is the story of a life as rich as it is unusual-and the beautiful lessons to be learnt from it.

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Born on 15 October 1931, at Rameswaram in Tamil Nadu, Dr Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam specialized in Aeronautical Engineering from Madras Institute of Technology. Dr Kalam is one of the most distinguished scientists of India and has been awarded the Padma Bhushan (1981), the Padma Vibhushan (1990) and India's highest civilian award, the Bharat Ratna (1997). Dr Kalam

became the eleventh President of India on 25 July 2002. His focus and greatest ambition remains finding ways that will transform India into a developed nation.

Dr. Kalam was a fantastic human being that reached out to so many people. It is rare to find a human being with these standings. He will always be my mentor. His dignity and smile were truly amazing. His compassion towards people were shown in his actions and everyone loved him. Dr. Kalam conveyed the importance of imagination to millions of children in his countless visits to schools. He had his own algorithm of applying imagination to real life. He said " Dream, dream, dream, dreams lead to action; actions bring change. Dr. Kalam has written so many books and they all have a different message. It is up to you what you choose to hear and what to read.

Written in a simple, colloquial fashion, Indian's eleventh president recounts his life's journey. More than an autobiography, Dr JPJ Abdul Kalam offers readers a collection of simple but profound anecdotes that weave a story of ideas, of collaboration and of dreams become action. In reading this book one will understand why Dr Kalam is called "the people's president" by all of India, and why, at his sudden death in July 2015, he was universally mourned.

I never read books other than short stories and comics. This is my first book which I read full and completed it in one day.....that says it all. One needs to be higher in stature than Dr. Kalam to rate this book, the day I become like that.. I will come back and leave a review.....Truly inspirational.

An inspirational story of an extraordinary legend. Its an honour to get person like him for our country. True Salute

The real life incidents are depicted with picture perfect, you actually start feeling the words literally. Especially i got my eyes wet when reading his feelings about his mother and how he had to make choice between his duty and being at his home town with his family.

A very well written book highlighting the people who made great impact on him during his total life. Written with humility and appreciation.

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