

**ODYSSEY AI – 07**  
**with Shariar Karim's**  
**“MILESTONES AND MEMORIES”**

LAST FLIGHT : AI – 06 on Sunday 26th July, 2020 “Martyr of Kargil”


THIS FLIGHT : AI – 07 on Monday 27th July, 2020 “Gems on the String of Time”

NEXT FLIGHT : AI – 08 on Wednesday 29th July, “Just Remembering a Doyen”

AND

AI– 09 on Wednesday 29.7. 2020 “Torchbearers of the I.F.S.D.”

(Will be displayed on 30.7.2020)



**“ MILESTONES AND MEMORIES - 7 ”**

NAMASKAAR, WELCOME ABOARD FLIGHT AI-07  
ON MONDAY, THE 27<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY, 2020

Turning back the pages of history,  
Today we have reached the 27<sup>th</sup> of JULY, 2001  
This Day, that Year, we honoured our -  
**“ GEMS ON THE STRING OF TIME ”**

This tribute was composed to honour the Winners of Merit Awards at the Inflight Service Department’s Annual Award Function. The theme for the felicitation was Gems. All Award Winners were compared to Gems for their resplendent performance over the years.

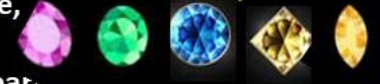
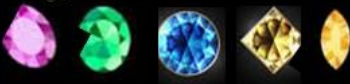
Every year this Award Function was conceptualized based on a certain theme. It was then enthusiastically put together by the Ladies from our In Flight Service Department. Attached here are photographs of three different years. Today, 17 years later, I still remember them and would like to Thank all those who worked hard and helped me to make these presentations successful.

## GEMS ON THE STRING OF TIME

The string of time, runs through our lives,  
Brings us closer, through tears or smiles,  
Ties us together, in a common bond,  
Then leaves us behind and moves on beyond.

*Gems on the*

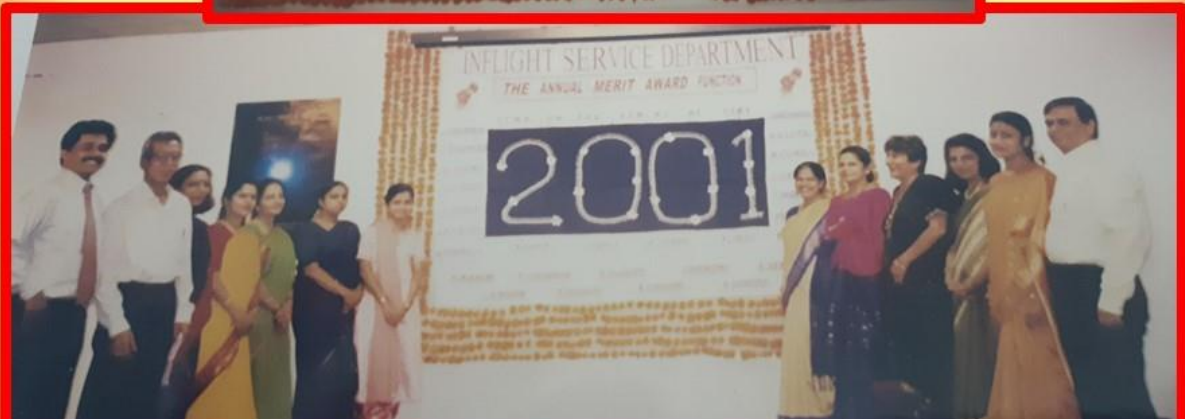
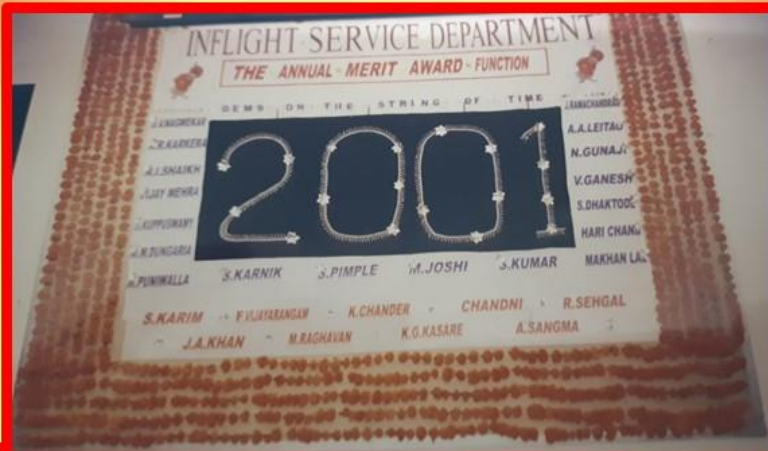
*String of Time*



Each of us are gems on this line,  
Perfect creations, of the ONE sublime,  
All born equal, when life we start,  
Till some work harder and stand out apart.  
To honour those few, we meet here today,  
We all must follow, they must lead the way,  
Inspiring others, with them on the line,  
To shine a little brighter, on the string of time.  
Together we can make, a mark on time,  
And shine resplendently, on its line.  
The time on that line, reads two thousand one,  
A new millennium, has already begun.  
So lets strive to shine, for the time is prime,  
And we're all gems, on the string of time.

-Shariar Karim

A Tribute to the Merit Award Winners of the I.F.S.D  
Merit Award Function. JULY 27, 2001.



The Theme for this years Award Function was 'STARS' which sparkled on the numbers 2 0 0 1  
Seen here are the IFSD Officers who helped to erect this display.





The Theme for this year's Award Function was inspired by the FIFA World Cup 2002 held that year. The Award Winners were hailed as 'Champions' who scored the Goals seen in the display



Our Award Winners this year were treated like V.V.I.P. Passengers who came in on a Special **AIR-INDIA** Flight. Their faces are visible in the Aircraft windows. In the foreground are the I.F.S.D. Officers who helped.