President Droupadi Murmu recently went on a 30-minute flight in a Sukhoi-30 MKI fighter aircraft from Tezpur Air Force Station in Assam. She is the third president and second woman president (first- Former President Pratibha Patil) to fly such a sortie.

Tezpur Air Force Station is a vital IAF airbase near China, it has fighter squadrons, a helicopter unit and radar and missile squadrons.

The President’s sortie in the Sukhoi 30 MKI fighter aircraft is a part of engagement with the armed forces as the Supreme Commander of Indian Armed Forces.