## **ERIEA-3 MISSION**

rhe Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) successfully launched the PSLV-C59/PROBA-3 mission on December 5, 2024. This mission is a collaboration with the European Space Agency (ESA) to study the solar corona.

MISSION FOCUS: STUDY THE SUN'S CORONA, THE OUTERMOST LAYER OF ITS ATMOSPHERE.

LAUNCH VEHICLE: PSLV-C59. INITIATIVE LED BY NEWSPACE INDIA LIMITED (NSIL) AND SUPPORTED BY ISRO.

 PROBA-3 MISSION IS THE 61ST FLIGHT OF PSLAND THE 26TH USING PSLV-XL CONFIGURATION

**UNIQUE FEATURES** 

## **PRECISION FORMATION FLYING:**

- First-ever mission to deploy precision formation flying technology using two satellites:
  - OCCULTER SPACECRAFT (200 KG).
  - CORONAGRAPH SPACECRAFT (340 KG).

## **INSTRUMENTS ON BOARD**

1. ASPIICS (ASSOCIATION OF SPACECRAFT FOR POLARIMETRIC AND IMAGING INVESTIGATION OF THE CORONA OF THE SUN): A CORONAGRAPH WITH A FIELD OF VIEW SPANNING THE SUN'S INNER AND OUTER CORONA.

 DARA (DIGITAL ABSOLUTE RADIOMETER): MEASURES THE SUN'S TOTAL SOLAR IRRADIANCE (TOTAL ENERGY OUTPUT).
DEES (3D ENERGETIC ELECTRON SPECTROMETER): ANALYZES ELECTRON FLUXES WHILE PASSING THROUGH EARTH'S RADIATIO BELTS.

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