

## **Successful Launch of Ariane 6 Rocket**

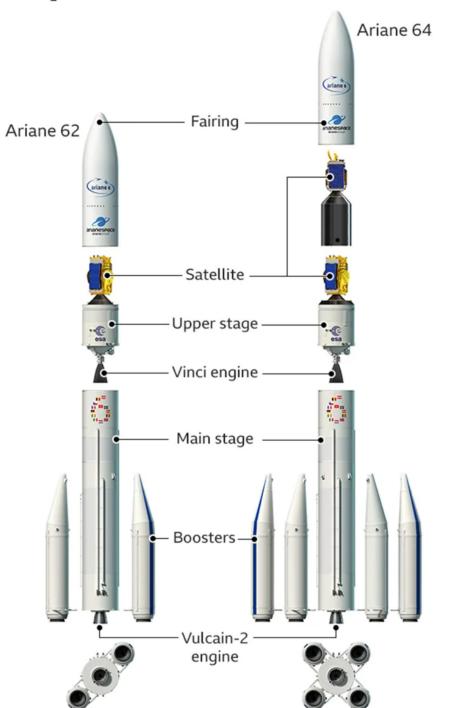
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Recently, **the European Space Agency (ESA)** successfully launched the **Ariane 6 rocket**, for the first time, from **French Guiana**, marking Europe's return to independent space access after delays and setbacks.

- It is the latest rocket in **Europe's Ariane** rocket series (taking over from **Ariane 5**) that can launch missions from **low-Earth orbit** and farther out into **deep space**.
  - Ariane-5 Rocket has been used to launch <u>ISRO's</u> communication satellites like <u>GSAT-11</u>, <u>GSAT-30</u>, <u>GSAT-31</u>, ESA's <u>Juice mission</u> and NASA's <u>James</u> <u>Webb Space Telescope</u> (JWST).
- This debut flight carried nine cubesats into orbit, including NASA's CubeSat Radio Interferometry Experiment (CURIE) and other satellites studying Earth's climate and weather.
- The Vinci engine used in the upper stage is designed to restart repeatedly, allowing the operating agency to place payloads into several different orbits.
- 29 missions will be launched by Ariane 6 over the next several years and aims for up to 12 flights a year.



# Europe's new rocket: Ariane 6





### Ariane 62

Height: From 56m

Launch weight: 540 tonnes

Payloads:

To geostationary orbit:

Up to 4,500kg

To Low-Earth orbit:

10,300kg

### Ariane 64

Height: Up to 62m

Launch weight: 870 tonnes

Payloads:

To geostationary orbit:

Up to 11,500kg

To Low-Earth orbit:

21,600kg

Read more: <u>European Space Agency's Juice Mission</u>

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