

# Sun Images Captured by Aditya-L1

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Recently, **the <u>Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)</u>** released images captured by its <u>Aditya-L1</u> <u>solar mission</u> during a significant <u>solar (geomagnetic) storm</u> that occurred in May 2024.

- The remote sensing payloads Solar UltraViolet Imaging Telescope (SUIT) and the Visible Emission Line Coronagraph (VELC), along with other payloads captured these images from the <u>Lagrange point</u> in space.
- These images will help in studying solar flares, energy distribution, sun spot, understanding and predicting space weather, monitoring solar activity and UV radiation over a wide wavelength range, and also aid in the study of long-term solar variations and its impact on the Earth's environment.

# Aditya L1:

- It is India's first dedicated solar mission, developed by the ISRO, in collaboration with international partners.
- It will study the Sun and its corona and provide valuable data and insights into the Sun's behaviour, which is crucial for understanding the impact of solar activity on the Earth's climate and space weather.



# ADITYA-LI MISSION

#### ABOUT

- India's 1<sup>st</sup> scientific expedition to study the Sun
- To be placed at halo orbit around L1 Lagrange point
- Launch date 02 Sept, 2023
- Time to reach 4 months; Mission Life 5 years

# FIELDS OF STUDY:

- Sun's corona (Visible and Near-infrared rays), photosphere (soft and hard X-ray) and chromosphere (UV)
- Solar emissions, solar winds and flares and Coronal Mass Ejections (CMEs)
- Carry out round-the-clock imaging of Sun

#### SIGNIFICANCE

- Solar weather/environment affects the weather of entire solar system
- Solar events help understand space weather
- Tracking Earth-directed storms can help predict their impact

## LAUNCH VEHICLE

PSLV-C57

#### PAYLOADS:

- Visible Line Emission Coronagraph (VLEC) (primary payload)
- Solar Ultraviolet Imaging Telescope (SUIT)
- Solar Low Energy X-ray Spectrometer (SoLEXS)
- Aditya Solar wind Particle Experiment (ASPEX)
- High Energy L1 Orbiting X-ray Spectrometer (HEL10S)
- Plasma Analyser Package for Aditya (PAPA)
- Advanced Tri-axial High Resolution Digital Magnetometers

# What are Lagrange Points?

- Named after Italian-French mathematician Josephy-Louis Lagrange
- Positions in space where gravitational forces of a two-body system (e.g. Sun & Earth) produce enhanced regions of attraction and repulsion
- Spacecrafts placed at L points consume lower fuel to remain in position
- L1 will provide ISRO continuous view of Sun without any occultation/eclipses



Read more: Solar Storms, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)