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MISSION DESCRIPTION

Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle – C44 (PSLV – C44) is the 46^{th} flight of PSLV. The PSLV with 2 strap-on configuration has been identified for this mission and the configuration is designated as PSLV-DL.

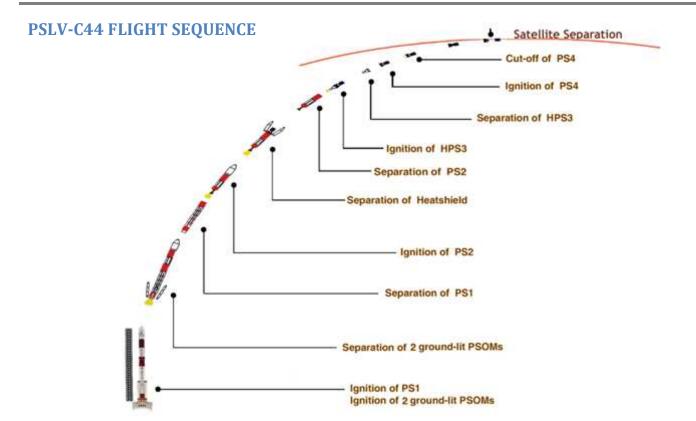
PSLV-C44 is the first mission of PSLV-DL and is a new variant of PSLV. It will be launched from First Launch Pad (FLP) at Satish Dhawan Space Centre SHAR, Sriharikota.

PS4 as orbital platform

In PSLV-C44, the fourth stage (PS4) of the vehicle will be moved to higher circular orbit so as to establish an orbital platform for carrying out experiments. Kalamsat, a student payload will be the first to use PS4 as orbital platform.

PSLV-C44 will also carry Microsat-R, an imaging satellite

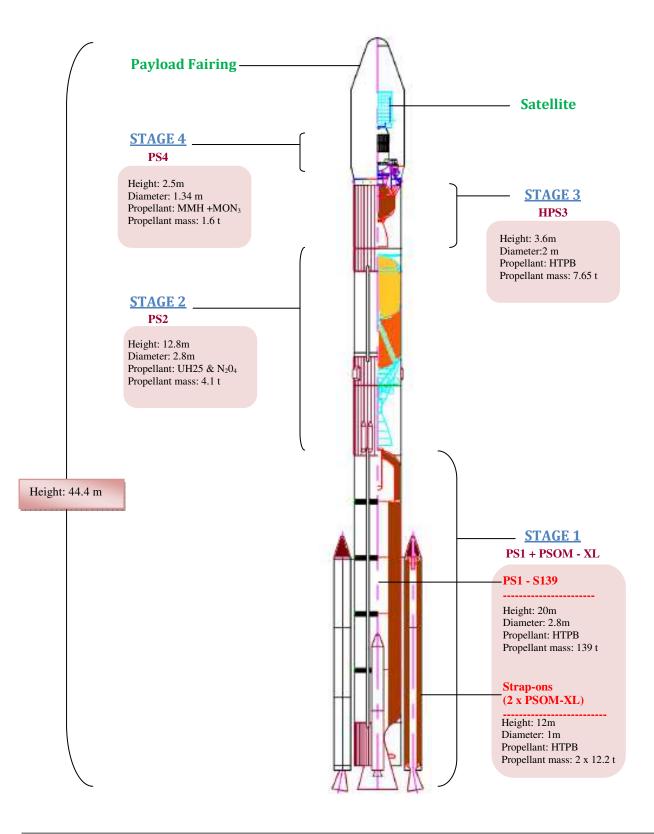
| PSLV-C44 Mission Specifications | | | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Parameter | PS4 Orbital experiment | Microsat-R | | |
| Altitude | 450 km | 274.12 km | | |
| Inclination | 98.767 <u>+</u> 0.2 ⁰ | 96.567 <u>+</u> 0.2 ⁰ | | |
| Launch Pad | First Launch Pad (FLP) | | | |
| Launch Azimuth | 140° | | | |



PSLV-C44 FLIGHT EVENTS

| Event | Time (s) | Local Altitude (km) | Inertial Velocity (m/s) |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| RCT Ignition | -3.00 | 0.025 | 451.9 |
| PS1 Ignition | 0.00 | 0.025 | 451.9 |
| PSLV Strap-Ons Motor Ignition | 0.42 | 0.025 | 451.9 |
| PSLV Strap-Ons Motor Separation | 69.90 | 23.941 | 1078.4 |
| PS1 Separation | 109.58 | 59.077 | 1871.3 |
| PS2 Ignition | 109.78 | 59.281 | 1870.4 |
| Heat Shield Separation | 168.58 | 115.751 | 2377.4 |
| CLG Initiation | 173.58 | 120.192 | 2430.9 |
| PS2 Separation | 262.12 | 187.751 | 4055.6 |
| PS3 Ignition | 263.32 | 188.551 | 4053.8 |
| PS3 Separation | 487.72 | 273.906 | 6529.1 |
| PS4 Ignition | 498.12 | 275.310 | 6527.2 |
| PS4 Engine Cut-off | 766.56 | 276.576 | 7735.2 |
| MICROSAT-R Separation | 813.56 | 277.295 | 7740.0 |

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GLIMPSES



Hoisting of nozzle end segment of PSLV-C44 core stage



Placement of nozzle end segment of PSLV-C44 core stage



Joining of two segments of PSLV-C44 core stage in progress



View of two joined segments of PSLV-C44



Hoisting of one of the Strap-ons of PSLV-C44 during vehicle integration



Integration of strap-ons of PSLV-C44 with the core stage



Hoisting of an interstage during PSLV-C44 integration



A view of PSLV-C44 second stage at MST during vehicle integration