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## After latest manoeuvre, craft 'even closer' to lunar surface



**Chandrayaan-3 on Wednesday successfully performed its third lunar-bound manoeuvre** – reducing the size of its orbit around the Moon – as it advanced further towards its target of achieving a soft landing on the lunar surface, Indian Space Research Organisation (Isro) said. Another similar manoeuvre is scheduled for August 14, the space agency said. “Even closer to the Moon’s surface. Chandrayaan-3’s orbit is reduced to 174km x 1,437km following a manoeuvre performed today,” Isro said in a statement. Senior Isro scientists said that after Wednesday’s manoeuvre, the Chandrayaan-3 spacecraft is now at 1,437km at Apolune — the point at which a spacecraft in lunar orbit is furthest from the Moon.

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