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ISRO CARRIES OUT 'WELL DECK' RECOVERY TRIAL OF GAGANYAAN

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BENGALURU: Isro on Tuesday said it carried out "well deck" recovery trials of the Gaganyaan with the Indian Navy on December 6. The trials were carried out at Eastern Naval Command using a well deck ship off the coast of Vishakhapatnam, Isro said in a statement. The space agency said the well deck in a ship can be flooded with water so that boats, landing crafts, recovered spacecraft can be taken inside to dock within the ship.

Once the Crew Module touches down in the sea at the end of the mission, crew have to be recovered in the minimum possible time and with the least discomfort, it said. It said that the trials for well deck recovery were carried out using a mass and shape simulated Crew Module Mock-up.