Watch the historic moment India successfully lands on the south pole of the moon, beating the US, China, and Russia

India on Wednesday achieved a historic feat in the history of space exploration: landing a robot on the moon's south pole.

"India is now on the moon," said Indian prime Minister Narendra Modi from South Africa, as engineers celebrated the nation's Chandrayaan-3 spacecraft landing on the south pole of the moon.

With the landing, India became the first country to touch down on what is thought to be the most water-rich region on the moon — a feat that has stumped Russia, which crashed its lander on the moon Saturday.

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