



The following poem, by his esteemed granddaughter, is submitted to Solaris by the Chairman of NIOS's Advisory Board, Prof. Dr. Samaresh Bandyopadhyay.

Chandrayaan-2*

Chandrayaan-2 hats off to you.
 Made by ISRO you're a dream come true.
 You carry all our hopes to high,
 And blasted off to the sky with all your might.

To the south pole, you make a soft landing,
 Exploring a new land and our misunderstanding,
 Pragyan will explore the land and discover something new.
 Vikrama will land and broadcast everything in view.

O where will you be on this glorious night?
 I will be seeing TV in my bed tonight.
 Carrying our dreams, hope and might,
 Exploring a world completely new sight.

Chandrayaan-2, hats off to you.
 Made by ISRO you're a dream come true.
 Please don't crash, I will tell you why.
 We all are with you on this glorious night.



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* "Chandrayaan-2 was launched on July 22, 2019, from Sriharikota by a Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle Mark III. The spacecraft consists of an orbiter, a lander, and a rover. The orbiter will circle the Moon in a polar orbit for one year at a height of 100 km (62 miles). The *Vikram* lander (named after **ISRO** founder Vikram Sarabhai) is planned to land on September 7 in the south polar region where water ice could be found under the surface. The planned Chandrayaan-2 landing site will be the farthest south any lunar probe has touched down. India will be the fourth country to have landed a spacecraft on the Moon—after the United States, Russia, and China. Vikram will carry the small (27 kg [60 lb]) *Pragyan* (Sanskrit: "Wisdom") rover. Both Vikram and Pragyan are designed to operate for 1 lunar day (14 Earth days)." <https://www.britannica.com/technology/Chandrayaan>, retrieved 2019 Sep 12.

ISRO is the Indian Space Research Organization. "The Chandrayaan-2's Vikram module has been located on the lunar surface and it must have been a hard-landing, **ISRO** chairman K Sivan said on Sunday, in an admission that the planned soft-landing wasn't successful." <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/vikram-lander-located-did-not-soft-land-on-moon-isro/articleshow/71037009.cms>, retrieved 2019 Sep 12.