
INDIA BEEFING UP SPACE-BASED SURVEILLANCE AFTER BORDER CONFLICT

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India plans to launch over 50 spy satellites and add night-time imaging to enhance its national security capabilities, said people familiar with the matter, after New Delhi encountered surveillance blind spots during a border conflict in 2025 with neighbour Pakistan.

The Narendra Modi-led administration is also looking to build ground stations overseas to relay information more quickly and comprehensively, said the people who asked for anonymity to discuss confidential matters.

These could be in the Middle East, South-east Asia and Scandinavia, they said, though local government approval would be required.

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