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National Mission on Cultural Mapping of India

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- Ministry of Culture & Tourism launched the implementation of the ‘‘National Mission on Cultural Mapping of India’
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- The portal will serve as a repository/consolidated database of information about cultural assets and resources.
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- It is a cultural inventory at one place for essential planning, sustainable economic development and for preserving the scattered and near extinct art forms.
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Six days War

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- The Six-Day war was the third in the long line of Arab-Israeli wars that started in 1948.
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- It began on June 5, 1967 resulting in a massive reorganisation of territories in the middle-east.
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- Both Israel and Palestine were dissatisfied by British rule in the British Mandate of Palestine, revolted in the late 30s and 40s.
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- Once Israel was carved out of the territory, Egypt, Jordan, Syria and Iraq tried to invade the area.
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- Israel fought against a combined force of Egypt, Jordan, Syria.
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- The war spanned only six days during which Israel almost destroyed Egypt’s air force and captured new territory.
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- It’s a Russian spacecraft that was launched carrying cargo to the International Space Station (ISS).
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- The spaceship has around 2.7 metric tons of cargo and supplies to the ISS, according to NASA.
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- Within 24 hours after its successful launch, Kazakh authorities reported that a fragment of the Soyuz rocket ignited dry grass and caused a fire in the Karaganda region, about 600 km from the launch site, at the planned impact site for the first stage of the launcher.
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- It resulted in one person being killed and another injured while they were trying to extinguish the fire.
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