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First prototype of Rashid Rover passes testing

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The first prototype of Rashid Rover, Arab world's first mission to the moon, has undergone a successful functional testing, Mohammad Bin Rashid Space Centre (MBRSC) announced yesterday.

In a video tweeted by MBRSC, members of the Emirates Lunar Mission (ELM) are

seen checking the parts of the UAE-made lunar rover.

MBRSC noted "The team has completed the functional testing of the prototype at MBRSC laboratories and is currently preparing for robustness testing, which will be performed in simulated space and lunar environments as part of the preparations for the mission's launch to the surface of the moon in 2022."

Functional Testing is an assessment used to test the features/functionality of the system or software, cover all the scenarios while robustness testing is the process of verifying whether or not a software system performs well under stress conditions.