
MT. NANDA DEVI EAST (7,434 M) EXPEDITION

2019



SOUTH CALCUTTA TREKKERS ASSOCIATION

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Our Dream : The Mountain

Few mountains in the world have poems dedicated to them. Nanda Devi is one such mountain. As the patron-goddess of the Indian Himalayas, as the second highest peak of India, and as one of the most technically challenging climbs of the world, Nanda Devi is an iconic presence. Nanda Devi East is its twin peak, and poses an even bigger challenge in climbing. Rising up to the height of 24,384 ft, it has attracted some of the best mountaineers of the world over the last eighty years, since its first ascent in 1939.

"The most difficult climb I ever did..." – Tenzing Norgay

"One of the Hardest summits in the Himalayas" – Pete Takeda

"Exhilarating Climbing, Outrageous Exposure, Desperate Cold" – Roger Payne & Julie Ann-Clyma

With 30 attempts, recorded so far, resulting in 13 successes and 17 failures, Nanda Devi East stands tall as a mountaineer's mountain. It demands climbing of the highest global standard - a mix of Nerve, Skill, Endurance, Research, and Composure.

Our Need : Your Support

Needless to say, this herculean venture into unknown heights involves a great deal of expense. Our organization is a tiny, voluntary initiative of a group of people who have few resources other than passion, courage and expertise to offer. Without your generous support and kind cooperation the venture can never be possible.

Why we need your help

Non-commercial, non-profitable organization

Members' contribution only source of income

Nominal help from Government (~5% of budget)

With hearts full of dream, we look forward to your benevolent support...

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To Whomsoever It May Concern

Respected Sir/Madam,

Sub: Financial Assistance for Mt. Nanda Devi East (7,434 m.) Expedition 2019

This is for your kind information that South Calcutta Trekkers Association, a leading mountaineering club of West Bengal, is going to organize a high-altitude climbing expedition to Mt. Nanda Devi East (7434 m) in Garhwal Himalaya, Uttarakhand during August-September 2019.

Mount Nanda Devi East, the twin sister of mighty Nanda Devi (second highest mountain of India), with its long approach, tremendously difficult terrain, harsh weather surrounding it and severe exposure at deadly altitude stands tall as a mountaineer's mountain.

It's obvious that high-altitude climbing in the Himalayas, and particularly, an expedition to the majestic Nanda Devi East, is an exorbitantly expensive affair. Our club is a non-profit oriented, voluntary initiative of people with similar dreams and passions. We can only meet our hopes to reach the summit, if you are with us.

The organization needs your cooperation and support to make this bold attempt a success.

A detailed brochure of the expedition is attached hereto.

With sincere thanks and warm regards,
For **South Calcutta Trekkers Association**

Rajsekhar Maity
Leader, Mt. Nanda Devi East Expedition, 2019



South Calcutta Trekking Association

Our Club, Our World

Our organization was born in 1983 out of an intense passion to explore the Himalayas. For the last thirty-six years, we have been consistently and indefatigably promoting the spirit of adventure through various activities like high-altitude mountaineering, trekking, adventure camping and rock climbing.

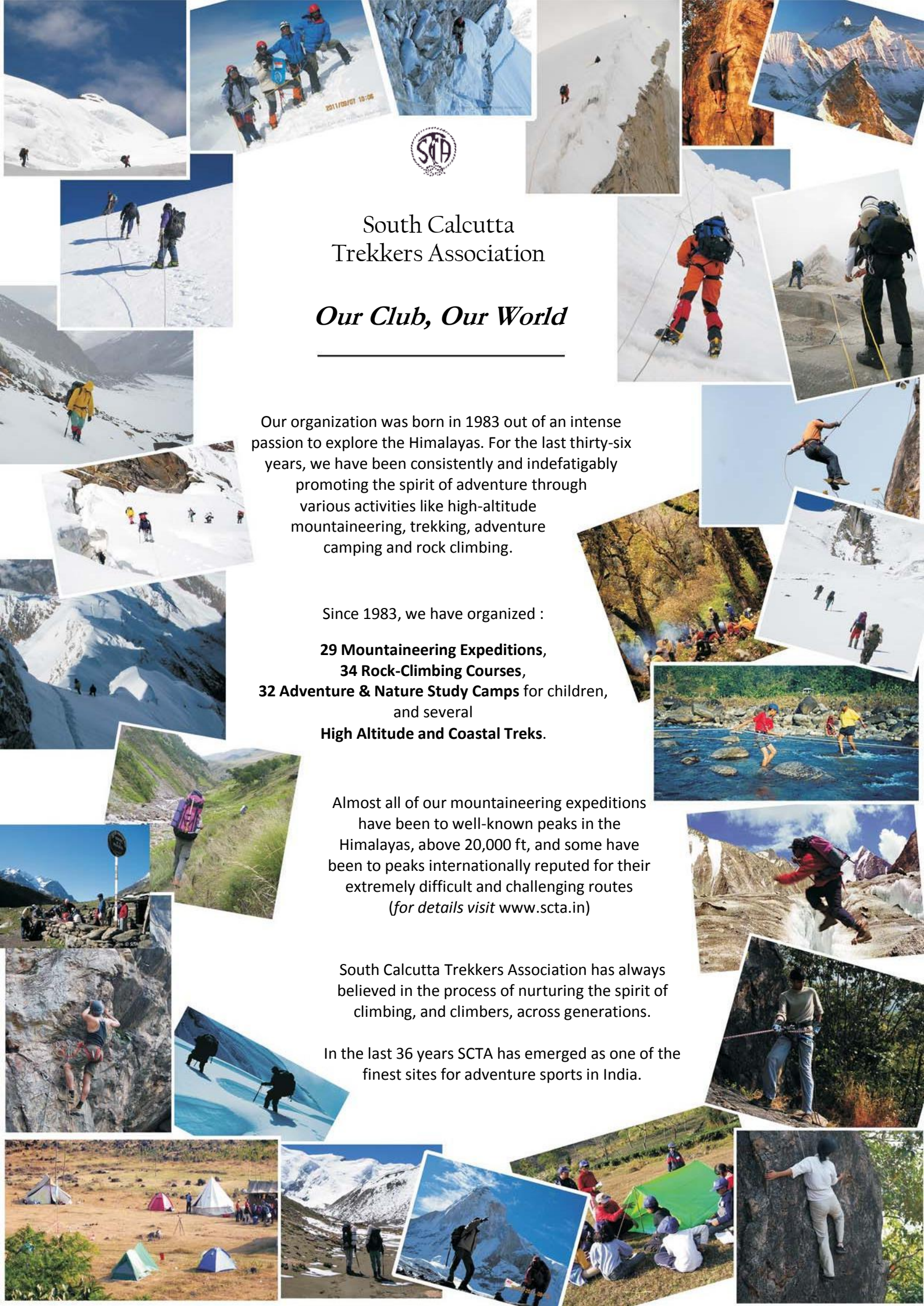
Since 1983, we have organized :

**29 Mountaineering Expeditions,
34 Rock-Climbing Courses,
32 Adventure & Nature Study Camps** for children,
and several
High Altitude and Coastal Treks.

Almost all of our mountaineering expeditions have been to well-known peaks in the Himalayas, above 20,000 ft, and some have been to peaks internationally reputed for their extremely difficult and challenging routes
(for details visit www.scta.in)

South Calcutta Trekkers Association has always believed in the process of nurturing the spirit of climbing, and climbers, across generations.

In the last 36 years SCTA has emerged as one of the finest sites for adventure sports in India.



South Calcutta Trekkers Association

1983-2019

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

A. Adventure-cum-Nature Study Camps

32 adventure-cum-nature study camps for children of 8 to 14 years of age in hills & jungles.

B. Rock Climbing Courses

34 rock climbing courses till date. Trained 700+ youth to promote the quest of adventure.

C. High Altitude Trekking Expeditions in the Himalayas

1983	Rup Kund, Garhwal, Uttarakhand	1996	Pindari & Kafni Glacier, Kumaon, Uttarakhand
1984	Amarnath, Kolohai Glacier, Kashmir	1997	Ice Climbing Camp, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
	Annapurna Basecamp, Nepal		Pancha Kedar, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
1985	Dzongri, Sikkim		Annapurna Basecamp, Nepal
	Tapoban, Garhwal, Uttarakhand	1998	Sandakphu Phalut, West Bengal
	Sundardunga, Kumaon, Uttarakhand	1999	Dzongri, Sikkim
1986	Har Ki Doon, Garhwal, Uttarakhand		Darwa Pass Dodi Tal, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
1987	Rupkund, Garhwal, Uttarakhand	2000	Milam Glacier, Kumaon, Uttarakhand
1988	Har Ki Doon, Garhwal, Uttarakhand		Nandakini Valley Trekking Expedition, Uttarakhand
	Pindari Glacier, Kumaon, Uttarakhand	2001	Pindari Glacier, Kumaon, Uttarakhand
1989	Khatling Glacier, Garhwal, Uttarakhand		Goechala, Sikkim
	Sandakphu, West Bengal	2002	Har Ki Doon, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
1990	Devikund/Nagkund, Kumaon, Uttarakhand	2003	Tapovan, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
	Tapovan, Garhwal, Uttarakhand	2004	Satopanth Tal, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
1991	Kughti Pass, Himachal Pradesh		Pindari Glacier, Kumaon, Uttarakhand
	Darwa Pass Dodi Tal, Garhwal, Uttarakhand	2005	Kalindi Khal, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
	Tapovan, Garhwal, Uttarakhand	2006	Auden's Col, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
	Sandakphu, West Bengal		Kuari Pass, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
1992	Kedar Tal & Patangini Dhar, Uttarakhand	2007	Sundardunga Valley, Kumaon, Uttarakhand
	Buxa, Jayanti, West Bengal	2008	Nilkantha Khal, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
1993	Kuari Pass, Garhwal, Uttarakhand		Everest Base Camp, Nepal
	Hemkund, Valley of flowers, Uttarakhand	2011	Tapovan, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
1994	Sapta Kund, Garhwal, Uttarakhand	2012	Mayali Pass, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
1995	Mawali Pass, Garhwal, Uttarakhand	2014	Chadar Trek, Zaskar, Ladakh
1995	Dzongri, Goechala, Sikkim	2015	Bhyunder Khal, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
	Sandakphu, West Bengal	2017	Tarum Tsachu & Lha Bha Pass, North Sikkim
1996	Milam Glacier, Kumaon, Uttarakhand	2018	Roopkund – Ronti Saddle, Garhwal, Uttarakhand

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1983-2019

D. Mountaineering Expeditions

Since 1986, South Calcutta Trekkers Association has organized **29** Mountaineering Expeditions to high peaks in the Himalayas.

2018	Reo Purgyl (6,816 m) & Leo Purgyl (6,791 m) , Himachal Pradesh	Successful
2018	Stok Kangri, (6,153 m) , Ladakh, Jammu & Kashmir	Successful
2017	Sudarshan (6,507 m) & Saife (6,161 m) , Uttarakhand	Successful
2016	Trishul-1 (7,120 m) , Uttarakhand	Unsuccessful
2014	Manirang (6,593 m) , Himachal Pradesh	Successful
2013	Gangotri III (6,577 m) , Uttarakhand	Abandoned
2012	Bhagirathi II (6,512 m) , Uttarakhand	Successful
2011	Thalay Sagar (6,904 m) , Uttarakhand	Successful
2010	Changuch (6,322 m) , Uttarakhand	Unsuccessful
2008	Dharamsura (6,420 m) , Himachal Pradesh	Successful
2007	Shivling (6,543 m) , Uttarakhand	Successful
2003	Shivling (6,543 m) , Uttarakhand	Unsuccessful
2002	Chandra Bhaga 13 (6,264 m) , Himachal Pradesh	Successful
2001	Chaukhamba I (7,138 m) , Uttarakhand	Unsuccessful
2000	Karcha Parvat (6,270 m) , Himachal Pradesh	Successful
1999	Gangotri III (6,577 m) , Uttarakhand	Unsuccessful
1998	Kalanag (6,387 m) , Uttarakhand	Successful
1997	Bhagirathi II (6,512 m) , Uttarakhand	Unsuccessful
1996	Kedar Dome (6,831 m) , Uttarakhand	Successful
1995	Menthosa (6,443 m) , Himachal Pradesh	Successful
1994	Kulu Pumori (6,553 m) , Himachal Pradesh	Successful
1993	Gangotri I (6,672 m) , Uttarakhand	Unsuccessful
1992	Jogin I (6,465 m) & Jogin III (6,116 m) , Uttarakhand	Successful
1991	Banderpunch (6,316 m) , Uttarakhand	Unsuccessful
1990	Mandani (6,193 m) & Yeonbuk , Uttarakhand	Successful
1989	Baljuri (5,912 m) , Uttarakhand	Successful
1988	Gangstan (6,162 m) , Himachal Pradesh	Successful
1987	Unnamed Peak (6,185 m) , Bara Sigri Glacier, Himachal Pradesh	Successful
1986	Unnamed Peak (6,166 m) in Sweta Glacier, Uttarakhand	Successful

Approval from IMF



Indian Mountaineering Foundation

(National Apex Body For Mountaineering, Sport Climbing & Allied Adventure Activities)

No. 1002/IMF/IE/2019

23rd February 2019

Secretary,
South Calcutta Trekkers Association,
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SUBJECT : Approval for expedition to peak Nanda Devi East (7434 M) in Uttarakhand Himalaya during August-September 2019

1. Please refer your E.mail dated 08th February 2019 along with enclosures on the above subject.
2. Indian Mountaineering Foundation has approved your expedition to peaks Nanda Devi East (7434 M) in Uttarakhand from 16.08.2019 to 22.09.2019 consisting of the following Seven (07) participants:-

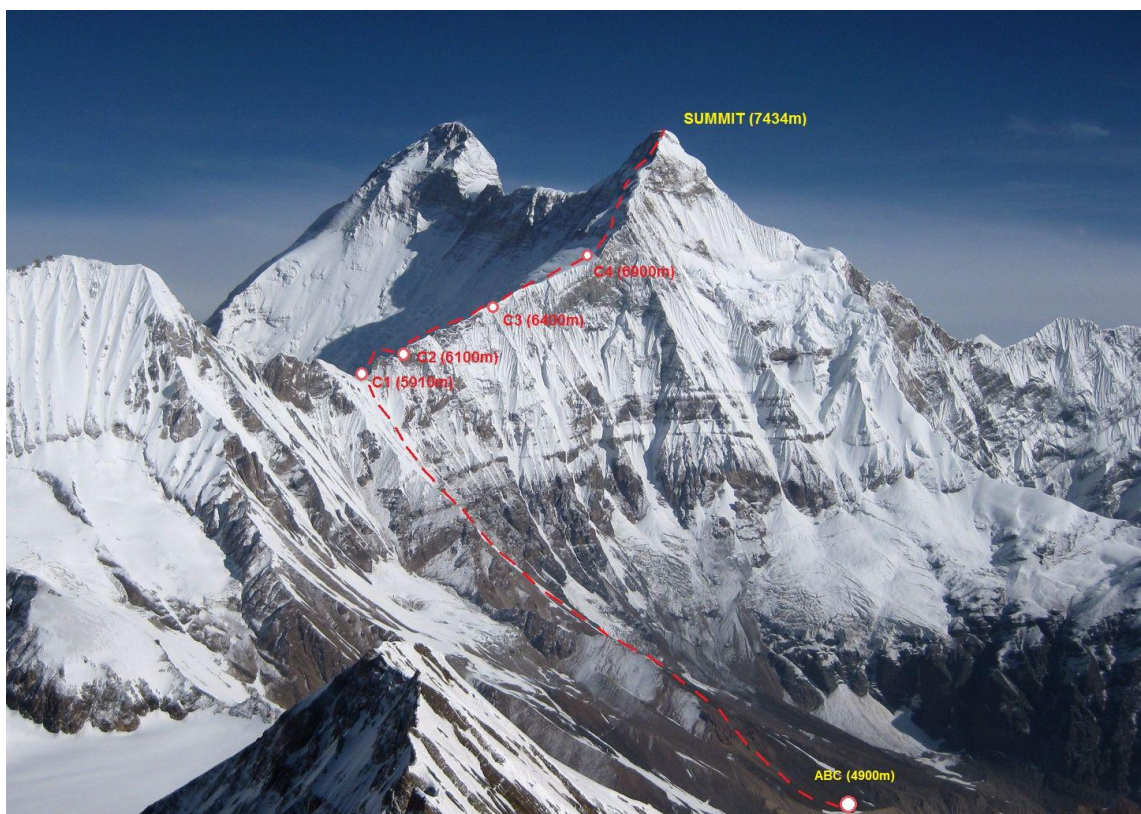
(a) Mr. Rajsekhar Maity, Leader	(b) Mr. Sayantan Dutta	(c) Mr. Avik Mondal
(d) Mr. Ashish Gupta	(e) Mr. Pradip Kumar Bar	(f) Mr. Brijes Day
(h) Mr. Upal Chakrabarti		

3. Please make sure that each member of the team is insured for minimum amount of Rs. 5 Lacs for the period of this expedition. The expedition stands approved only in case copy of the insurance policy reaches IMF before undertaking this venture.
4. You are requested to get in touch with the nearest Civil authorities/ Army/ITBP/BSF/NDMF unit in that area before commencement of expedition so that they are aware of your presence and are able to help in case of any distress call.
5. In case of an other expedition approved during above mentioned period you may have to coordinate, movements, timings and route with them.
6. IMF shall not be responsible for any misdemeanor/misconduct/mishap in the expedition and legal implication thereof. The expedition Leader shall be responsible for its own safety and evacuation in case of any accident.
7. A committee has been nominated by IMF to evaluate the claim of any summit made by the expedition. The committee needs following proofs as evidence to ascertain the facts regarding summit of the claimed peak :-
 - (a) GPS reading showing dates of climbing, time of climbing, height and location i.e. latitude and longitude.

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ROUTE & PROGRAM DETAILS



Day	Date	Day wise Program
Day 1	16-Aug-19	Departure from Howrah by train
Day 2	17-Aug-19	Reach Kathgodam. Drive to Bageshwar
Day 3	18-Aug-19	Drive to Munsiyari
Day 4	19-Aug-19	Admin work, Marketing, Packing at Munsiyari
Day 5-9	20-Aug to 24-Aug-19	Trek to Base Camp (via transit camp 1,2,3,4)
Day 10	25-Aug-19	Stay at Base Camp for Acclimatization
Day 11	26-Aug-19	Move to Advanced Base Camp
Day 12-14	27-Aug to 29-Aug-19	Route Opening, Load Ferry and Occupy Camp-1
Day 15-17	30-Aug to 01-Sep-19	Route Opening and Climb up to Camp-2
Day 18-20	02-Sep to 04-Sep-19	Route Opening and Climb up to Camp-3
Day 21-22	05-Sep to 06-Sep-19	Route Opening and Climb up to Camp-4
Day 23	07-Sep-19	Route Opening towards Summit
Day 24-26	08-Sep to 10-Sep-19	Summit Attempt
Day 27	11-Sep-19	Back to Camp-1
Day 28	12-Sep-19	Back to Advanced Base Camp
Day 29	13-Sep-19	Back to Base Camp
Day 30-33	14-Sep to 17-Sep-19	Trek to Munsiyari (via transit camp 1,2,3)
Day 34-35	18-Sep to 19-Sep-19	Travel to Kathgodam and Kolkata by car and train
Day 36	20-Sep-19	Reach Kolkata

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EXPEDITION MEMBERS

1. RAJSEKHAR MAITY (Leader)



Rajsekhar started his long tenure in mountaineering with scaling Mt. CB-13 in 2002, and getting the first major success in climbing mighty Mt. Shivling in 2007. Since then he has taken part in quite a few expeditions, and led the teams in expeditions to the formidable Thalay Sagar, Trishul, Changuch, Sudarshan, Saife, Reo Purguil & Leo Purguil.

On a separate note, Rajsekhar has long been serving as a rock climbing instructor and is currently the Chief Instructor of Advanced & Basic Rock Climbing Courses conducted by the club.

2. UPAL CHAKRABARTI (Deputy Leader)

Proficient and dynamic, Upal has in his achievement Thalay Sagar, one of the most technically difficult summits of the Himalayas. Starting his mountaineering career very early in life he has been a valuable member in many major expeditions like Shivling (twice, in 2003 & 2007) and Changuch. An academic by profession, Upal is also an Instructor of Advanced & Basic Rock Climbing Courses.



3. ASHISH GUPTA



Technically gifted Ashish, an avid rock climber and never short of energy, started mountaineering only in 2010 and has already established himself as a promising climber. Ashish has summited Mt. Manirang and Sudarshan, other than taking part in expeditions to Trishul, Changuch, Bhagirathi-II and Gangotri-III.

Also an Instructor of Advanced & Basic Rock Climbing Courses.

4. PRADIP KUMAR BAR

Pradip, a climber with skill, has proven his ability on dangerous and difficult Reo Purguil which he summited in 2018. Previously, he also had seen success on Mt. Saife and Manirang, and took part in Bhagirathi-II expedition with the club, led a team of novice members in high altitude Himalayan trek to Roopkund & Ronti Saddle.

Pradip, too, is an Instructor of Basic Rock Climbing Course.



5. AVIK MONDAL



Strong and energetic Avik started his mountaineering career only a few years ago, yet already gained ultimate success in both the expeditions he had been part of - Mt. Saife and Leo Purguil. A sportsman by nature. Determination and team spirit are his forte.

He is also an Instructor of Basic Rock Climbing Course.

6. SUBHAJIT BANERJEE

Subhajit has explored many branches of adventure at a very young age; be it Rock climbing, Mountaineering, Skiing or Solo Trekking. An aspiring adventurer, Subhajit, a fresh graduate from Nehru Mountaineering Institute of Uttarkashi, looks forward to his first large scale experience in Nanda Devi East.

He also served as a co-instructor in our latest Advanced Rock Climbing Course.



7. BRIJES DAY



With a plethora of knowledge and experience, veteran mountaineer Brijes, or more popularly known as Sumit, has been the mastermind of many adventure activities of the club since its inception.

He led/participated in high altitude mountaineering expeditions like Chaukhamba, Shivling, Thalay Sagar, Changuch, Black Peak, Gangotri-III, Banderpunch and many more.

He had been the Chief Instructor of Rock Climbing Courses for years.

We Create Climbers, We Nurture Adventurers, We Build Philosophies

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ESTIMATED BUDGET

** For 7 members, 4 Sherpa, 2 High Altitude Porters and 1 Cook*

1	TRANSPORT	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Total</i>
	Logistics at Kolkata	8,000	
	Train fare (Kathgodam to & fro)	36,300	
	Car fare (Uttarakhand)	66,800	111,100
2	LODGING	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Total</i>
	Bageswar & Munsiyari (4 nights)	31,000	31,000
3	FOOD & FUEL	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Total</i>
	Regular days (Kolkata to Munsiyari & back)	45,800	
	Climbing days (Munsiyari to Munsiyari)	152,325	198,125
4	SHERPA & PORTER / MULE WAGES	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Total</i>
	Sherpa (4)	280,000	
	High Altitude Porter (2)	78,400	
	Cook (1)	39,200	
	Porter/Mule (Munsiyari to Basecamp & back)	248,000	645,600
5	EQUIPMENT PURCHASE (For Expedition)	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Total</i>
	Equipment Purchase Cost	70,000	
	Equipment Hire Charges	60,000	130,000
6	OTHERS	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Total</i>
	UK Forest Department Fees	20,000	
	Medicine	5,000	
	Insurance (Members + Sherpa + Support staff)	40,000	
	Stationaries & Postal expenditure	8,000	
	Miscellaneous	10,000	83,000
GRAND TOTAL			1,198,825

Total Budget (rounded off) : Rs. 12,00,000/-

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Bank Information

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A/c No : 20083133820 (*Account type : Savings*)

IFSC Code : ALLA0210325

SWIFT Code : ALLAINBBRPK / ALLAINBBTDM

MICR No : 700010017

Our dream can only be true...

If you also dream with us