

NCC Cadets Given Hero's Welcome After Historic Mount Everest Summit

Posted On: 05 JUN 2025 6:07PM by PIB Delhi

The National Cadet Corps (NCC) Mount Everest Expedition Team was warmly received at DGNCC Camp, New Delhi on June 05, 2025 after successfully summiting the world's highest peak on May 18, 2025. The team of ten cadets comprising five boys and five girls, with an average age of just 19 displayed exemplary courage, resilience and teamwork, achieving a 100% summit success rate despite harsh weather and difficult terrain. The achievement marks the third successful NCC expedition to Mount Everest, following earlier triumphs in 2013 and 2016.

All ten cadets were novice climbers who underwent rigorous selection and training, including a preparatory ascent of Mt. Abi Gamin and a winter training camp at the Army Mountaineering Institute, Siachen Base Camp. The youngest team member was only 16 years old. Their exceptional discipline and fitness earned praise from Sherpa guides and fellow international climbers.

The cadets who scaled the summit are:

- (a) Cadet Monika from Rajasthan
- (b) Cadet Pratima Rai from West Bengal
- (c) Cadet Rifiness Warjri from Meghalaya
- (d) Cadet Kritika Sharma from Himachal Pradesh
- (e) Cadet Abida Afreen from Ladakh
- (f) Cadet Mohit Knathia from Jammu & Kashmir
- (g) Cadet Padma Namgail from Chandigarh
- (h) Cadet Virendra Singh Samant from Uttarakhand
- (j) Cadet Sachin Kumar from Uttarakhand
- (k) Cadet Mukul Bangwal from Uttarakhand

Flagged off by Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh on April 03, 2025 the expedition strictly followed safety protocols and operational guidelines.

SR/KB

(Release ID: 2134270)