

Joint Expedition Team from three premier National Mountaineering Institutes successfully summit highest peaks in Pangong Tso region

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A Joint Expedition Team comprising Instructors from the premier National Mountaineering Institutes Jawahar Institute of Mountaineering & Winter Sports (JIM&WS) Pahalgam; Nehru Institute of Mountaineering (NIM) Uttarkashi, and Himalayan Mountaineering Institute (HMI) Darjeeling, successfully summited Mt Merag-III (6,480M) & Mt kangju Kangri (6710M), the highest peaks in Pangong Tso region, Union Territory of Ladakh.

The expedition was flagged off and lead by Colonel Hem Chandra Singh, Principal JIM&WS Pahalgam on July 24, 2025 in Sonamarg, with an experienced team from all three National Institutes:

- Sub Maj/ Hony Lt (Retd) Shri Rafiq Ahmad Malik (JIM&WS) Hav Sajad Hussain (JIM&WS) Nk Bharat Singh (JIM&WS) Hav/NA Yogesh (JIM&WS) Sub Maj Hajari Lal (NIM) Nb Sub Bhupinder Singh (NIM) Shri Robin Gurung (HMI) Shri Zubin Rai (HMI)

Demonstrating exemplary courage, resilience, and teamwork amidst extreme weather conditions and extreme-altitude challenges, the team set a benchmark in Indian mountaineering history. The landmark accomplishment not only embodies the indomitable spirit and endurance of our nation's mountaineers but also stands as a proud testament to India's growing prowess in adventure sports and high-altitude expeditions.

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