

*Gaurishankar Winter Ascent, 1986.* Four South Koreans led by Seo Jeong-Bae were on the ridge in the southwest face, previously climbed by Wyman Culbreth and Ang Kami Sherpa in the spring of 1984. On January 16, 1986 Choi Han-Jo and Ang Kami (for his second ascent of the route) reached the summit.

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*Karyolung Winter Attempt, 1986.* A joint Japanese-Nepalese expedition led by Kim Young-Ho attempted Karyolung by its northeast face. They had two camps above Base Camp. On January 25, 1986 Ko Heung-Lyul and Ang Chiring Sherpa reached 6400 meters in a long day's difficult climb and then turned back. During the descent Ko was hit by a falling sérac which broke his arm. Then heavy snowfall stopped all activity for several days. Various members were out of action from fatigue and illness and the climb was abandoned on January 29.

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*Dorje Lhakpa.* A joint expedition of seven Japanese and three Nepalese was led by Yoshihisa Nakano. They climbed the west ridge of Dorje Lhakpa, the same route as that of Japanese teams in 1981 and 1982. On October 3 Sawayuki Aoki, Masatoshi Ohkubo, Ang Phuri Lama and Pa Ngima Lama got to the summit (6966 meters, 22,854 feet), followed the next day by Toshiki Sato, Nobuo Takahashi and Hidenobu Yamagami. They had three high camps, at 5100, 5700 and 6270 meters.

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*Langtang Lirung Tragedy.* The two American climbers, leader Daniel Newell and Elliot Spake and Sherpa Gyalgen were killed by an avalanche on October 18 at 4900 meters when they were trying to descend to their 3775-meter Base Camp. They are believed to have reached the site of their Advance Base Camp at 5000 meters on the 16th and been stuck there with heavy snowfall on the 17th. They were on a buttress leading to the northeast ridge when they were swept to their deaths by the avalanche. The expedition's only other climber, British David Atkinson, had left the expedition days before it reached Base Camp.

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*Langshisha Ri Attempt.* Nine Japanese led by Kosuke Shiota attempted to climb Langshisha Ri by the southwest ridge. A high point of 6100 meters was reached on October 19 by Akihiko Yagi, Sugiyama Yoshiaki and Kirken Sherpa and then the climb was given up because of bad snow conditions and a lack of food and time.

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