

Thanks to his efforts and the efficiency of the Nepali military, we were in Kathmandu the next day, November 4. While Nuru chose to be treated in Nepal, I entered the specialized hospital clinic for frostbite in Zaragoza, Spain, on November 15. Nuru has suffered the loss of almost all his left toes and I have lost two centimeters of my left big toe at the time of writing this report.

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*Dhaulagiri Autumn Ascents and Attempts.* There were a number of expeditions in the post-monsoon season on Dhaulagiri's northeast ridge. Members of an expedition led by Karl Kobler completed the 42nd ascent when Swiss Kobler, Hans Ruedi Roesti, Peter Röthlisberger and Henry Willi got to the summit. On October 5, Liechtensteiner Helmut Kindle and Swiss Christoph Pfistner also reached the summit. That same day Spaniard Manuel Morales and Argentine Miguel Sánchez from a Spanish expedition led by Manuel González accompanied them to the top. There was a 17-member international expedition led by Italian Francesco Santon which had Italians, Czechs, and Argentines. Czechs Stanislav Šilhán and Leopold Sulovský reached the summit on October 6. On the 8th, Italian Gigio Visentin and Argentine Carlos Alberto Mon got to 8050 meters but had to turn back for fear of having to bivouac. On October 9, a Japanese women's expedition completed its ascent when leader Mayuri Yasuhara and Miss Fumie Kimura got to the top with Sherpas Dawa Tshering and Changba Norbu. Spaniards under the leadership of José Javier Quiñones failed at 7400 meters on September 29. Greeks led by Ioannis Katrivanos got to 7600 meters on October 13.

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*Churen Himal West and Central Summits.* Churen Himal has three summits, all of which are given with the same altitude, 7371 meters or 24,184 feet. A Korean expedition of seven climbed the southeast face, which gives access to the central and west peaks. On September 14, leader Kim Gyu-Young, Lim Jong-Geol and Nima Tamang completed the fourth ascent of the central summit peak on the same day that Oh Heung-Ill and Kwon Yugk-Yern with Tamangs Bir Bahadur and Ang Dawa made the fourth ascent of the western summit.

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*Kande Hiunchuli and Patrasi Himal Attempts.* Swiss and French led by Patrick Marendaz tried to climb Kande Hiunchuli by its northwest ridge but got only to 5600 meters on November 5. They were also turned back at 6000 meters on the south ridge of Patrasi Himal on November 9.

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