

with bolts. Otherwise, only belay stances were equipped and stoppers and Friends were used. No pitons or fixed rope were left.

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*Sumeru Parbat Attempt, South Ridge, 1989.* Geoffrey Degens, Alan King, Richard Sullivan and I made the first ascent of the south ridge of Sumeru Parbat (6331 meters, 20,770 feet) in September 1989 but had to quit 400 feet below the summit because of deteriorating weather. It would have been a snow plod from there to the top. The ridge itself was knife-edged with mixed snow and rock.

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*Gangotri I.* A team from Brahma Kamal of Calcutta was led by Mrs. Snigdha Datta. On May 26, Ranjan Bose, Suprovat Ghosh, Debasish Nath and Biswajit Sen reached the summit (6672 meters, 21,890 feet).

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*Gangotri III.* A nine-member Japanese expedition led by Shizuo Miyake climbed Gangotri III by the north ridge. Makiyo Nishimura, Takashi Kawamura, Masahiro Miyamoto and porter Laxman Singh Rana reached the summit on October 3.

*Matri.* On September 11, Matri (6721 meters, 22,050 feet) was climbed by Indians Prasad Dhamal and Sher Singh. The 16-member expedition was led by Prajapati Bhodane. They followed the Matri Glacier from Chirbas and the southwest ridge of this steep, shapely peak in the Gangotri region. From Camp II, the final climb went up a 300-meter ice wall.

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*Pin Parbat.* Six of the 11-member team from the Indo-Tibetan Border Police climbed this virgin peak (6350 meters, 20,833 feet), which lies near Matri, on August 7. The summiters were S.P.Verma, Chhering Lobzong, Chhota Singh, Harnam Singh, Khom Singh and Ranjit Singh.

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*Bandar Punch II.* An Indian expedition got to Base Camp from the roadhead at Sukhi and moved over the Sukhi Top and Khagi Pass to establish Base Camp on June 1. Camps I and II were at 18,000 and 19,500 feet, the latter on the upper snowfield of Bandar Punch II. After two days of storm, on June 10 three members reached the summit (6302 meters, 20,676 feet). The members were