

***A brief detail of notable explorations over the past years supported by Rimo Expeditions across the Himalaya***

[Siachen Rose Expedition 1998](#)

Led by Harish Kapadia, the team climbed unnamed Peak 6560m (named it Bhujang Peak – first ascent) on the Teram Shehr Plateau, East Karakoram, Ladakh

[Indo-French 2000 Karakoram Rimo IV](#)

A joint team led by Harish Kapadia and Jeff Tripard summited Rimo IV (7169m) in East Karakoram, Ladakh

[Nanda Devi Sanctuary - IMF Expedition](#)

In the year 2001 Rimo supported the IMF expedition to Nanda Devi Inner Sanctuary where Chewang Motup with two Sherpas, Samgyal & Dukpu Tsering, reached Sundardhunga Khal after a gap of 70 years

[The Arganglas Group Exploration and First Ascents](#)

Year 2001 – Legendary climber Sir Chris Bonington with Harish Kapadia explored the Arganglas and first ascent of peak Yamandaka (6218m), East Karakoram, Ladakh

[First ascent of Padmanabh](#)

Year 2002 - This was a historic traverse of the Rimo glacier by an Indo-Japanese team, first ascent of virgin peak Padmanabh (7030m) and first human steps & exploration on the Teram Shehr plateau. This was also the 2<sup>nd</sup> crossing of Col Italia since the 1<sup>st</sup> crossing by the famous Italian explorer G. Dainelli who named the col “Col Italia” - leaders Harish Kapadia and Hiroshi Sakai

[Mt. Harong, Pangong range, Ladakh](#)

Year 2004 - Japanese team led by Oki Masato made the first ascent of Mt. Harong (6210m) in Zaskar valley, Ladakh

[The Great Tsangpo bend](#)

Year 2004 – This was an expedition into the deep interiors of Arunachal Pradesh towards “The Great Tsangpo Bend “where the Tsangpo river makes a turn and enters India as the Brahmaputra.

[Maitri in the Karakoram](#)

Year 2005 – Joint Indo-US expedition team led by Divyesh Muni and Don Goodman made several first ascents in the eastern Karakoram – Tsati Kangri, Karpo Kangri and Thongsa Ri

[Meru Base Jump](#)

Year 2006 - Glenn Singleman & Heather Swan, World Record Holding athletes, from Australia together with their team journeyed to the Garhwal Himalaya to climb Mt. Meru (6672m) and attempt BASEjump from the top! This was their third Base Climb.

**Indo-Australian Joint Expedition to Unnamed Peak Rimo Massif (Central Rimo Glacier)**

Year 2007 - This was first time that female members explored this area after Ms Fanny Workman in the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century. Expedition was led by Chewang Motup & Geoff Bailey

### [East Karakoram - Chong-Kumdan-I](#)

Led by Divyesh Muni and Don Goodman with Chong Kumdan II as main objective, the joint Indo-American expedition team climbed Chong Kumdan I (7071m)

### **Mamostong Kangri**

Year 2007 – Mamostong Kangri (7516m), “the mountain of a thousand devils” was climbed by Paulo Grobel, renowned French climber

### [Chong Kumdan-II-7004m First Ascent](#)

Year 2008 – Paulo Grobel returned and co-led the joint Indo-French expedition to conquer the virgin Chong Kumdan II

### [Thanglasgo Valley, Nubra](#)

Year 2008 - First ascent of Dawa Peak (5890m) in Thanglasgo Valley, Nubra, Ladakh

### **Raru Valley, Ladakh – Japanese expedition**

Year 2009 - Japanese expedition to Katkar nala and Nateo nala, named peaks R1 to R35. Their report in AAJ 2010 suggested that 21 peaks in the Raru mountain range are virgin. It is believed that this was the first mountaineering team to visit the Raru mountains.

### [First Ascent of Telthop](#)

Year 2010 - The British expedition team led by Chris Horobin climbed the virgin peak Telthop at 6010m, Nubra Valley

### [Barma Kangri - First Ascent](#)

Year 2010 – Led by Oki Masato, the joint Indo-Japanese expedition team made the first ascent of Barma Kangri (6500m)

### [First Ascent of Saser Kangri II](#)

Year 2011 – Saser kangri II (7518m), the second highest unclimbed mountain in the world was conquered by joint Indo-American expedition team. This was an alpine style ascent by Mark Richey, Steve Swenson and Freddie Wilkinson, and it won the 2012 Piolets d’or

### [Raru Valley - Swiss Expedition](#)

Year 2011 - Govt of India together with the IMF declared open 104 virgin peaks in the State of Jammu & Kashmir. And Rimo was the first to send out several expeditions over the coming years to these uncharted valleys in J&K Himalaya.

The Swiss team, led by late Stephane Schaffter made the first ascent of GoCook Peak (6050m), Red Apple (6070m) and Sonam Ri (6060m) in the Raru Valley

### [Raru Valley British Expedition](#)

Year 2011 - The team of Imperial College, London explored the Raru valley and summited 4 unclimbed peaks, the highest of which was Lama Jimsa Kangri at 6276m tall

### [First Ascent of Mt Mari](#)

Year 2011 – Japanese team led by Oki Masato made the first ascent of Mt. Mari (6585m), Pangong Range, Ladakh

### [Junai Kangri first ascent by Spanish expedition](#)

Year 2011 – Spanish team led by Jonas Cruces made the first ascent of Junai Kangri (6017m) in Eastern Karakoram.

#### [French Expedition to Kamet West Face First Ascent](#)

Year 2012 - The French Military High Mountain group climbed Kamet (7756M) in an alpine style ascent. This climb also won the prestigious 2013 Piolet d'or

#### [Chamshen Kangri 7,017m eastern Karakoram](#)

Year 2011 – Joint Indo-British expedition team led by Divyesh Muni and Victor Saunders made the first crossing of Sakang Col and ascent of Chamsen Kangri

#### [Kunzang Valley Exploration & First Ascents by IAF](#)

Year 2013 to 2015 – The IAF team returned to Rongdo valley and climbed several virgin peaks.

#### [Rongdo Valley First Ascents by Canadian team](#)

Year 2014 - Canadian team of Joie Seagram and Graham Rowbotham returned to Rongdo valley and made first ascents of 3 unclimbed peaks at 6167m, 6248m and 6335m

#### [Hagshu I via North Face](#)

Year 2014 – The Slovenian team comprising of Marko Prezlej, Luka Lindic and Ales Cesen climbed Hagshu I (6515m) in an alpine style ascent. This was the first ascent via North Face of this mountain and it won the prestigious Piolet d'or

#### [Rassa Glacier British Expedition](#)

Year 2016 - British team led by Derek Buckle explored the Rassa glacier and made first ascents of unnamed 6222m (named Lak Kangri) and 6315m (named Thrung-ma Kangri)

#### [Sumur Valley Nubra First ascents & explorations](#)

Year 2017 – British-Polish team of 5 members led by Derek Buckle made the first explorations of the Sumur Valley in Nubra, Ladakh. The team made first ascents of unnamed peaks at 6078m and 5991m