

**A Salute to the Stars**

In the nineteenth century, the forbidding land of Tibet was a complex blank on the map of the world. Central Tibet was virtually unknown. Yarkand was a full 100 miles out of position. It was not even certain whether Tang Po flowed into Burma or India!



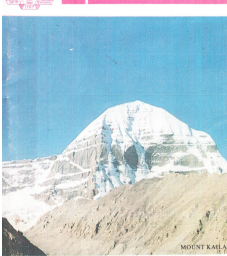
It was the highly inspired and unarmingly professional work of the great Indian explorers in the period 1845-85 that transformed this void into a world of reality with only basic training taking latitude by exact, distances by compass, heights by boiling water temperatures and distances by accurate measured paces. They were men of courage, high spirits, good and ready, who worked and a sonary, to help pass of as simple, good Tibetan travellers and avoid suspicion.

These dedicated men mapped areas, traced the courses of rivers, and discovered new people and customs - all through treacherous terrain and extremely trying conditions. Some of these great explorers and their exploits are as legendary as their work to us today.

Among these men are Pandit Nain Singh, who achieved the near impossible, charting 200 miles from Kashmir to the eastern Manasarovar Lake and back; Pandit Kishan Singh, who endured a stupendous journey to Tibet and Mongolia, taking over four full years; those of the others had long been abandoned; Man Singh, Kalyan Singh, Kishan Singh, Hari Ram, Lala, Nain Singh, Hiranagar Singh, Ugra Gyaaso, Asha Mahabharat and many many others who worked on silently, making personal sacrifices and valuable contributions to the geography of our World.

On this day, we stand up salute their work of their greats of the century past - whose work with us here is remembered - forever.

**INDIAN EXPLORERS OF THE 19th CENTURY**



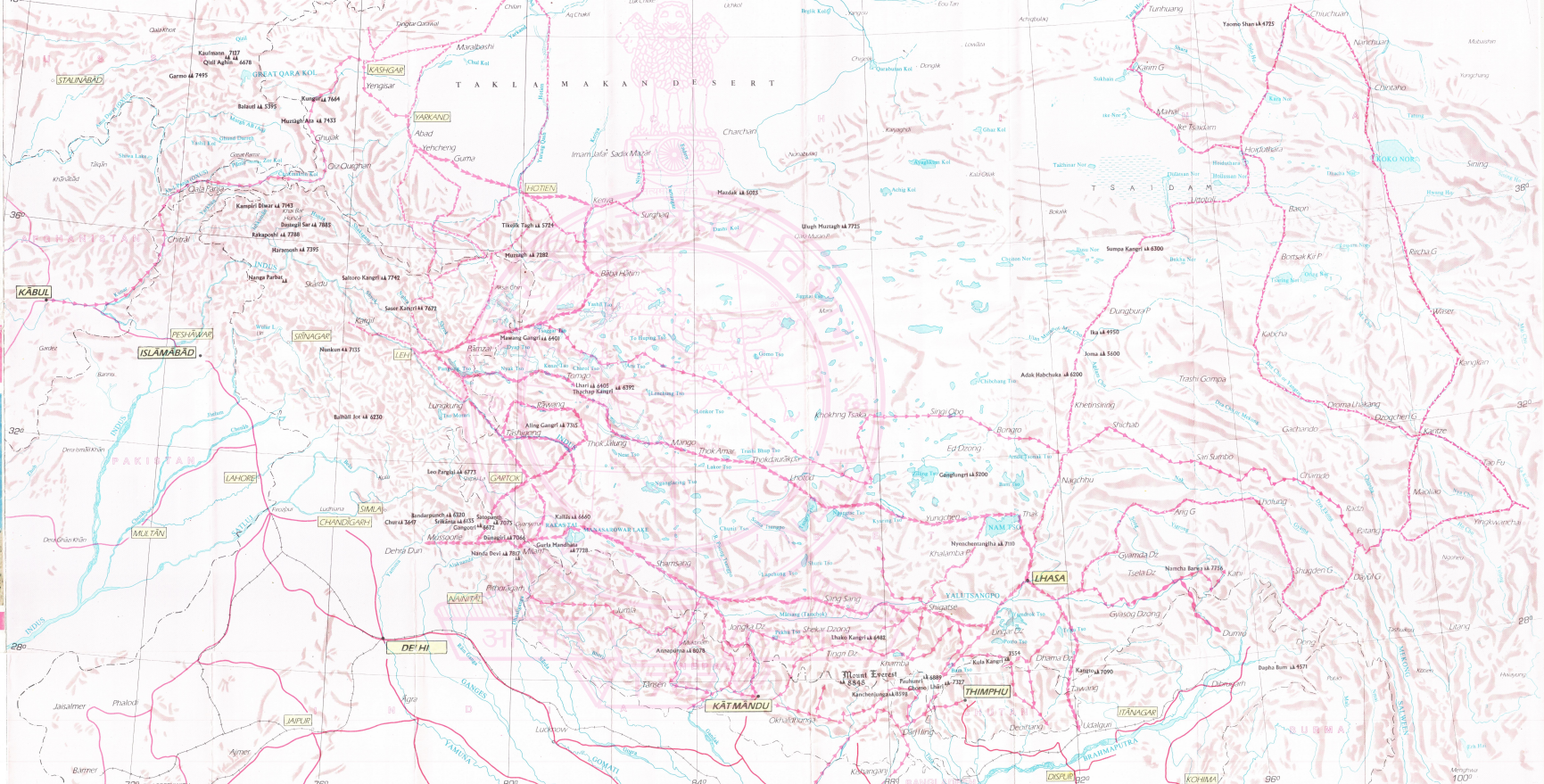
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Colonel Sir George Everest was born in Lancashire, UK on the 16th of July 1790. He was educated at Marlborough, before commencing into the Bengal Artillery, he was sent to India, arriving on one of the first of the great steamships from Calcutta to Chennai. He passed the Survey of India in 1818, as a Chief Assistant. He served under the Survey of India in 1818, as a Chief Assistant. He served under the Survey of India in 1818, as a Chief Assistant.



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**Explorers' Routes**

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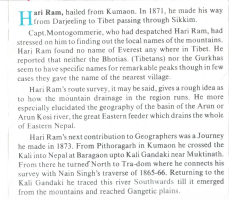
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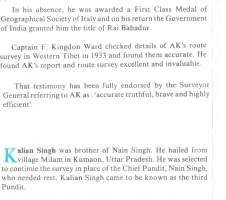
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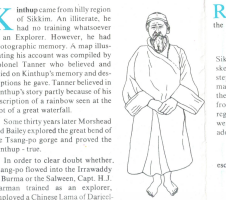
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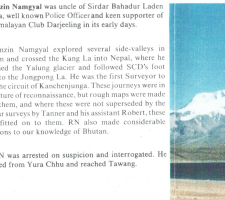
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