



# Chhattisgarh's Ankita Hoists Tricolour on Europe's Highest Peak Mount Elbrus on Independence Day

## Why In news?

- On August 15, 2022, on the glorious occasion of **Amrit Mahotsav of Independence, Ankita Gupta** of Chhattisgarh hoisted the tricolor given by Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel on Mount Elbrus, the highest peak of the European continent.

## Key Points

- Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel had presented the national flag to young mountaineer Ankita at his residence on August 3 before going to Europe.
- Mount Elbrus (West), the highest peak on the European continent, has an elevation of **5,642 metres (18,510 ft), with temperatures ranging from -25 to -30 degrees Celsius and wind speeds of 45 to 50 km.** remains up to. Even in these odd circumstances, Ankita made the 76<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Independence more memorable by waving the tricolor at 5.43 am on The morning of August 15.
- Reaching the peak, Ankita showcased the Chhattisgarh model of justice and empowerment of the state government. After this, on the second day on August 16, he hoisted the national flag at 4.23 am on mount Elbrus (East) mountain, 5621 meters high located in the continent of Europe.
- Ankita Gupta is originally from Kawardha. At present, she is working as a constable under the police department in Kabirdham district. The Chhattisgarh state government has given financial assistance of Rs 5 lakh to Ankita to participate in mountaineering in Europe.
- Ankita Gupta said that this success is dedicated to the freedom fighters and martyrs of the country. He said that in the month of January, the 6080 meter high peak of UT Kangri in Leh Ladakh was fateh at -39 degrees Celsius. His goal now is to increase the value of the country by hoisting the tricolor in the top of the seven continents.

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