



Operation Meghdoot

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Recently, **Operation Meghdoot** has completed its 40th anniversary which resurfaces the achievements of the Indian Army and Indian Air Force (IAF), in the Siachen glacier to secure the heights dominating the Northern Ladakh region.

- The operation involved the airlifting of Indian Army soldiers and supplies by the IAF and dropping them on the Siachen glacier.
- The [Siachen Glacier](#) has been a bone of contention since the [Karachi Agreement](#) in July 1949. Later, during the 1980s, Pakistan started attempts to legitimise its claim on Siachen Glacier leading to Operation Meghdoot by India.
- Operation Meghdoot was launched on 13th April 1984, when the **Indian Army** and [Indian Air Force \(IAF\)](#) advanced to the Siachen glacier to secure the heights dominating the Northern Ladakh region.
- The operation resulted in India gaining 70 kilometres long Siachen Glacier and all of its tributary glaciers, as well as three main passes of the **Saltoro Ridge** namely **Sia La, Bilafond La, and Gyong La**.



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