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Subject: Report of Mountaineering Expeditions Visiting Pakistan during 2006 by Saad Tariq Siddiqi, Honorary Secretary Alpine Club of Pakistan

This year a total number of 91 applications were received for grant of Permission to climb various peaks in Pakistan. Unluckily 06 expeditions could not be granted permission to climb peaks situated in Hindu Kush Range being too close to troubled Afghanistan Border. 04 expeditions were not granted permission to climb peaks situated close to war zone Siachen Glacier, 03 expeditions withdrew their applications. The remaining 78 applicants were granted permission to climb respective Peaks of their choice. A brief resume of successful climbs on various peaks is given below: -

Golden Jubilee of Gahserbrum-II (8035-M)

Year 2006 has truly been celebrated as the Golden Jubilee Year of the First Ascent of Gasherbrum-II which was climbed for the first time 50 years back on 8th July 1956 by Austrian climbers Fritz Moravec, Josef Larch and Hans Willenpart. A 25 members strong Austrian team arrived in Pakistan in a bid to scale G-II during its Golden Jubilee year 2006. Finally 19-members of this Expedition including 2 Pakistani mountaineers were successful in reaching the 8035 Meters high summit of G-II from 26th July to 31st July 2006. That is how, very proudly, the Austrians celebrated the Golden Jubilee of the First Ascent of G-II . On their return from the mountains all summiteers were awarded certificates by Alpine Club of Pakistan and commemorative shields by Hunza Guides Pakistan, which were presented to the climbers by Mr. Saad Tariq Siddiqi, a re-owned mountaineer and Honorary Secretary, Alpine Club of Pakistan.



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Overall 21 Expeditions tried their luck on G-II, out of which 18 Expeditions have been successful in putting 126 members on the summit of G-II, only two Expeditions have returned un-successful, last one is still on the mountain waiting for the good weather to hoist their national flag on the summit of G-II

Chogori K-2 (8611-M)

07 x Expeditions tried their luck on K-2 but only two Expeditions, one Italian and one Japanese were able to put 2- members each on top of K-2, which includes a couple (Husband and wife) from Italy, and Japanese Mountaineers Miss. Komatsu Yuka the first Japanese lady summiteer of K-2 at the age of 23 years 10 months 09 days and Mr. Aoki Tatsuya the youngest summiteer of K-2 at the age of 21 years 10 Months 07 days.

Broad Peak (8047 – M)

This year 14 Expeditions were granted permission to climb Broad Peak out of which 06 have been successful in putting their 21 members on the summit of Broad Peak, 08 Expeditions have returned without success. There was one casualty on this peak, Mr. Kronthaler Markus Leader of Austrian Expedition died after returning from summit

Gasherbrum-I (8068-M)

7x Expeditions tried to surmount impregnable G-I but only 3 Expeditions succeeded in putting 9 members on the summit, which include 3 Pakistani climbers, remaining 04 expeditions have returned un-successful.

Nanga Parbat (8125-M)

06 Expeditions came to Pakistan this year to surmount the invincible Nanga Parbat, “The Killer Mountain”. It stood to its reputation and took the lives of two strong



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Mountaineers, Mr. Jose Antonio Delgado Sucre of Venezuela and Mr. Ozawa Nadhiro of Japan.

Mr. Ozawa Nadhiro member of the Japanese Saitama Nanga Parbat Expedition was found missing between camp 2 & 3 on 28th July 2006 and finally declared dead. Mr. Jose Antonio Delgado of Venezuela died after returning from summit of Nanga Parbat. All out efforts were made to rescue him alive but failed due to bad weather. Finally a 4-members Rescue Team traced him close to C-IV, but unluckily he was found dead.

Anyhow 03 Expeditions have returned successful in putting a total of 04 climbers on top of Nanga Parbat. 02 Expeditions have returned without success and the last one from Romania is trying its luck from Rupal Face.

Spantik Peak (7020-M)

There were 08 Expeditions on Spantik Peak out of which 03 have so far returned successful by putting 23 climbers on the Summit. Only one Spanish Expedition has so far reported unsuccessful, whereas 04 expeditions are still in the mountains trying to climb the peak.

Latok-III (6940-M)

02 expeditions were launched on Latok-III, one from Spain has returned successful with both members reaching the summit. The other American Expedition is still trying its luck, to climb the Peak.



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Detailed Tabulated Report of Successful Expeditions

A detailed report regarding successful expeditions, giving name of peaks climbed, name of summiteers, leaders name and date of climb is enclosed as Annex 'A' to this report. Anyhow a brief tabulated account of expeditions to various peaks is given below: -

State of Expeditions on Various Peaks

S. No.	Name of Peak	Total No. of Expeditions	No. of Successful Expeditions	No. of Summiteers
1.	K-2 Chogori	07	02	04
2.	Nanga Parbat	06	03	04
3.	Broad Peak	14	06	21
4.	Gasherbrum-I	07	03	09
5.	Gasherbrum-II	21	18	126
6.	Spantik	08	03	23
7.	Latok-III	02	01	02
8.	Gasherbrum-IV	02	--	--
9.	Latok-I	02	--	--
10.	Kunyang Chish	03	--	--
11.	Baltura-II	01	--	--
12.	Bantha Brak	01	--	--
13.	Lugpar Sar	01	--	--
14.	Masherbrum	01	--	--
15.	K-7	02	--	--
16.	Shisper	01	--	--
17.	Diran	02	--	--
18.	Passu	02	--	--



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19.	Raka Poshi	01	--	--
20.	Ogre	01	--	--
21.	Chogolisa	03	--	--

Rejected Expeditions

S. No.	Name of Peak	Total No. of Expeditions	No. of Successful Expeditions	No. of Summiters
1.	K-6	03	--	--
2.	Istoro Nal	02	--	--
3.	Trich Mir	03	--	--
4.	Noshak	01	--	--
5.	K-13	01	--	--
6.	Link Sar	01	--	--

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