



## Operation Meghdoot

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Recently, **Operation Meghdoot** has completed its 40<sup>th</sup> 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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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