



Kailash Mansarovar Yatra

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India and China agreed to revive the annual [Kailash Mansarovar Yatra \(KMY\)](#).

- Mount Kailash is a **diamond-shaped peak** made of **black rock**, located in **Tibet**.
- India organizes the KMY annually between **June and September** through the **Lipulekh Pass (since 1981)** in Uttarakhand and the **Nathu La Pass (since 2015)** in Sikkim.
- **Mount Kailash** stands at **6,638 meters** and is considered a sacred peak by **Hindus, Buddhists, Jains, and Bons** (indigenous religion of Tibet).
 - For **Tibetans Buddhists**, Kailash is the cosmic axis, or **Mount Meru**, connecting **heaven and earth**.
 - In **Hinduism**, it is the abode of **Lord Shiva and Goddess Parvati**.
 - In Jainism, Kailash is **Ashtapada**, where **Rishabhanatha** attained **enlightenment**.
- Mount Kailash is considered the **spiritual center of the Earth**, with the **Sutlej, Brahmaputra, Kamali, and Indus** rivers originating from it.
- **Lake Mansarovar** is located at the **base of the mountain**.
- **Mount Kailash**, though **lower in height** than **Mount Everest (8,849 meters)**, remains **unclimbed** as its **ascent is prohibited** due to its **sacred significance**.



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