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### **OBJECTIVE:**

With over 20 years of experience in Mountaineering, I aim to make contribution in the Mountaineering and Climbing Industry by establishing and operating a Climbing & Mountaineering Institution of international repute to change the dynamics of adventurous climbing, mountaineering as well as promote multi-disciplinary Mountaineering Sports and Events through pragmatic training methods for professional development. I want to remain active as a climber, guide, educator, mentor and a responsible Mountain Guide to raise awareness for safe and fun mountain activities such as Trekking, Climbing, and Sports Climbing as a national hobby of ordinary Nepalese citizens.

#### **EXPERIENCE:**

Led a Nepalese contingent IV of Mountain Guide Consultants for The United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) in Mt. Herman, Syria from November 14, 2015 till March 14 2016 to support the mission. I designed short duration courses to train the UN forces lifesaving with Mountain Rescue skills in extreme mountain conditions essential to survive in challenging terrain and harsh weather.

### **QUALIFICATION AND TRAINING:**

S.N.	Training	Year	Institution(s)
1.	NMA/IFSC Route Setting, Judge Course/ Seminar	4 <sup>th</sup> to 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA)
2.	NMA/IFSC Route Setting, Judge Course/Seminar	17 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2013	Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA)
3.	Ski Training & Research Program	19 <sup>th</sup> Feb to 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2015	Nepal Mountain Academy
4.	Mountain guide certification course	5 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2009	Nepal National Mountain guide Association (NNMGA), supervision under International Federation of Mountain Guide Association (IFMGA)
5.	Snow and Avalanche course	24 <sup>th</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2007	Nepal National Mountain Guide Association (NNMGA)
6.	High Mountain rescue training	2 <sup>nd</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2006	Nepal Mountaineering Instructor Association (NMIA)
7.	Mountaineering instructor upgrade course	August 2005	Foundation YevPollet Villard Chamonix, France
8.	Mountaineering instructor refreshment course	7 <sup>th</sup> to 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2005	Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA)
9.	First aid and medication course	25 <sup>th</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2005	Alliance Francaise, Kathmandu Nepal
10.	Diplôme De L'ENSA	26 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2001	School of National Alpinism and Ski Chamonix, France
11.	First aid and CPR training	3 <sup>rd</sup> to 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2001	Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA)
12.	Himalayan Rescue Skill Training	20 <sup>th</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2000	Nepal Academy of Science and Technology (NAST) in Coordination with EV-K2 CNR
13.	Advance rock climbing course	15 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan1999	Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA)

14.	National Eco Trekking Workshop	18 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan 1998	Trekking Agency Association of Nepal (TAAN)
15.	Basic rock climbing course	15 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb 1997	Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA)
16.	Advance mountaineering course	20 <sup>th</sup> June to 24 <sup>th</sup> July 1997	Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA)
17.	Basic mountaineering course	12 <sup>th</sup> May to 20 <sup>th</sup> June 1994	Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA)
18.	Trekking guide course	28 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1994 to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb 1995	Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA)

# Notable 8000 meter Mountain Summits and attempt:

S.N.	Mountains	Altitude (m)	Date of Summit	Expedition Remarks
1.	Mt. Everest	8848	16 <sup>th</sup> May 2000	British Expedition
2.	Mt. Everest	8848	23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2001	British Expedition
3.	Mt. Everest	8848	22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2003	Irish Expedition
4.	Mt. Everest	8848	28 <sup>th</sup> May 2004	Irish Expedition
5.	Mt. Everest	8848	30 <sup>th</sup> May 2005	South African Expedition
6.	Mt. Everest	8848	24 <sup>th</sup> May 2006	Canadian Expedition
7.	Mt. Everest	8848	May 2007	Attempted to 8750 via NE Ridge with Austrian Expedition
8.	Mt. Everest	8848	May 2009	Led Mountain Madness Expedition up to Camp 2
9.	Mt. Everest	8848	May 2010	Led Mountain Madness Expedition up to Camp 2
10.	Mt. K2	8611	1 <sup>st</sup> August 2008	Norit Dutch Expedition
11.	Mt. Cho - Oyu	8210	18 <sup>th</sup> May 1999	British Expedition
12.	Mt. Cho - Oyu	8210	24 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2000	British Expedition
13.	Mt. Cho - Oyu	8210	3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct 2007	French Expedition
14.	Mt. Cho - Oyu	8210	Autumn 2000	British Expedition
15.	Mt. Cho - Oyu	8210	Autumn 2004	British Expedition

# Other notable Peaks (Summit and Attempt) during in NEPAL:

S.N.	Mountains	Altitude	No. of Summit	Remarks
1.	Mt. Amadablam	6900	2	
2.	Mt. Baruntse	7200		2 Attempts 7100m
3.	Mt. Amadablam	6900	2	2 Attempts Camp 3
4.	Mt. Island Peak (Imjatse Peak)	6120	24	
5.	Mt. Mera Peak	6420	11	
6.	Mt. Lobuche Peak	6100	4	
7.	Mt. Pokalde Peak	5800	1	
8.	Mt. Mehra peak	5900	1	
9.	Mt. YalungRi	5700	4	
10.	Mt. Gya North	6900	1	HMI-SAARC Mountaineering Expedition 1997
11.	Mt. Ramdung Peak	5900	2	
12.	Mt. KwangdeLho Peak	6150	1	

## NotablePeaks (Summit and Attempt) during climbing training and leading expeditions in ALPS:

S.N.	Mountains	Altitude (m)	No. of Summit	Remarks
1.	Mont Blanc	4800	3	Via Cosmiques
2.	Mt. Maudit	4465	2	Via Kufner
3.	Blanc du Tacul	4248	2	Summit
4.	Geant Teeth	4013	1	Summit
5.	Aguille du Chardonnet	3482	1	Summit
6.	Piz Palu	3905	1	Summit

7.	Piz Roseg	3937	1	Traverse
8.	Piz Morterasch	3751	1	Via Sprauzagrat
9.	Piz Bacun	3244	1	Summit
10.	Chapüschin	3385	1	Summit
11.	La Moungia	3450	1	Attempt
12.	Mont Dolent	3820	1	Traverse
13.	Petit Combin	3672	1	Traverse
14.	Grand Combin	4314	1	Traverse
15.	Mont Motte	3400	1	Summit
16.	Midi Plan ridge	3805	1	Traverse
17.	Cosmiques ridge	3842	1	Traverse
18.	Tacul by Triangle (ContmineGrisole)	4248	1	Traverse
19.	Triangle du Tacul	4248	1	Traverse via central
20.	Pyramid du Tacul	3468	1	Traverse via Erête East
21.	Triangle du Tacul	4248	1	Traverse via Goulottechéré
22.	Bionassay North Face	4052	1	Traverse
23.	Pointe Lachenal	3613	1	Summit

## **Alpine Rock Climbing Experience (ALPS):**

East Face Brevent (Frison Roche)	Vallorcine	Aigulle du Belvédère (via Baiserorageux) Brèvent	
Sonam (Envers des Aiguilles)	Fayet	Aigulles Rouges (via Les Neiges du Kilimanjaro)	
Children of the moon	Le Clis	Brévent (via Poème à Lou)	
West face index (l'And'Emile)	Pierre à Voix	GrosRognon (via Pallandre)	
Brevent (Catucha Man) Gietroz		Aigulles Rouges (via Soho)	
Passet (Tout ca pour ca) Aiguilles Rouges (via Asia)		Aigulle du Midi (via Rebuffat)	
Col de la Colombière	Aiguille du Midi (via Contamine)	Les Gaillands	
Duchère	Aigulle de Blaitière (via Naboléon)	CimaMurasciolo 2813m	
Corn Boval, Switzerland Kreuzberg traverse via 8/1		Alpstein marathon 20 pitches	

## **NOTABLE SEARCH, RESCUE MISSIONS and RECOVERY MISSIONS:**

- May 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>2016: Led an SAR effort to locate missing Dutch climber Christiaan Wilson in Dhaulagiri Base Camp area.
- May 2013: Involved in extensive SAR mission in Mt. Manaslu to locate French climber during tragic 2012 avalanche.
- Dec 2010: Involved in SAR of missing Nepalese Climber Chhewang Nima Sherpa in Mt. Baruntse.
- Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>2008: Search and rescue in K2 (ChogoRi) from bottle neck (27000ft) during K2 tragedy in which 11 climbers lost their lives. Awarded Heroism award by National Geographic Society for saving lives.
- Summer 2006: Involved in Mt. Ganesh VII search mission to locate missing French climbers buried in Avalanche.
- October 2005: Involved in search and rescue operation in Khang Guru Himal 6950m with French expedition. (A massive fresh snow avalanche swept base camp on 20 October 2005, killed 18 people including 7 French and 11 Nepalese climbers.)
- May 2004: Involved with Rescue team for Karma Sherpa at Everest Camp 2 BC south side.
- May 16<sup>th</sup> 2004: Rescued for Gustavo Lisi from Argentina above South Col in Mt. Everest at mid night, he was exhausted and lost orientation after long summit day.
- April 30<sup>th</sup>2001: Recovered the body of legendary climber late Babu Chiri Sherpa from deep crevasse at 6500m South side in Mt. Everest
- April 30<sup>th</sup> 1999: Rescued a Spanish climber Carlos Soria Fontan from 8000m at mid night. He suffered exhaustion and got disoriented.

## **AFFILIATION:**

- Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA) Instructor, General Member & Mountaineering instructor.
- Nepal Mountaineering Instructor Association (NMIA) Member & Instructor.
- Nepal National Mountain Guide Association (NNMGA) Immediate Past President.
- Pasang Lhamu Mountaineering Foundation (PLMF) Instructor Executive Board Member.
- Prabatiya Prashiktshan Pratishthan Bikas Samiti (Mountain Academy of Nepal) Board of Director & Chief Instructor. (Chief of Training and Coordination of Female only Trekking Guide Training, Professional Trekking Guides).

### **AWARDS AND APPRECIATIONS:**

- Recognized and felicitated by the Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation for the efforts in officially leading the team to Explore, study and report writing of possibilities of ski adventure activities in Nepal in July 2016.
- Recognized and felicitated by the Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation for contributions in coordination of training and development of Training Program for Trekking Professionals in July 2016.
- Recognized and awarded Certificate of Appreciation for active participation as an instructor in the Basic Mountaineering by the Alpine Association of Slovenia on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2014.
- Certificate of felicitation by Pasang Lhamu Mountaineering Foundation, Kathmandu on 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2010
- Sagarmatha Rastriya Puraskar (Everest National Award) 2009 honor by Government of Nepal
- David A Sowles Memorial Award honor by American Alpine Club AAC on 21<sup>st</sup> Feb. 2009
- Best Adventurer of the Year 2008 (Heroism Award) honored by National Geographic Society (NGS) on 20<sup>th</sup>November2008 in Washington D.C. USA
- Felicitation letter honor by Pasang Lhamu Sherpa Memorial College in 2008
- Everest Golden Jubilee Medal honor by Government of Nepal on29<sup>th</sup> May 2003 Kathmandu.
- SAARC Mountaineering Trophy honor by Himalayan Mountaineering Institute (HMI) New Delhi, India in Sept 1997.

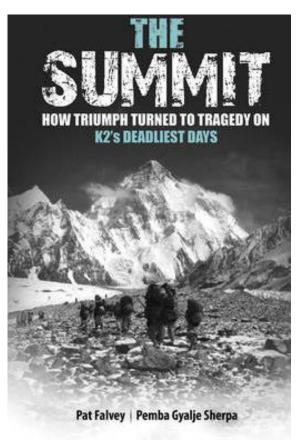
### MEDIA CONSULTATION and AUTHOR EXPERIENCE:

Subsequently after the successful K2 summit achievement and the tragic events, he was interviewed by numerous media nationally and internationally leading to fame and many book writing. In the award winning Documentary Filming "The Summit", Pemba was the Technical Consultant and lead character. Pemba has Co-Authored a book called "The Summit", one of the best books in mountaineering accounting the events of 2008 K2 disaster in which 11 climbers perished.

Pemba is also a motivational speaker at various national and international events as well as seminars. He is available to speak for your events and functions upon request in various mountaineering topics. He is also available as a Technical Consultant for Documentary making, Filming and start up Mountaineering projects.



National Geographic Adventurer of the Year - Dec 2008 Jan 2009



Author - The Summit How Triumph Turned on K2's Deadliest days