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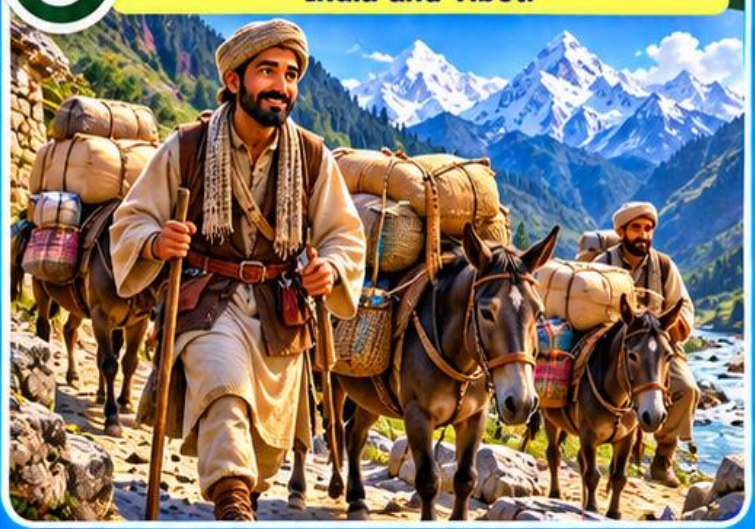
1 Bachendri Pal was born in 1954.



2 She was one of five children in her family.



3 Her father traded goods between India and Tibet.



4 She loved exploring the beautiful mountains.



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6 A great journey begins with a dream.

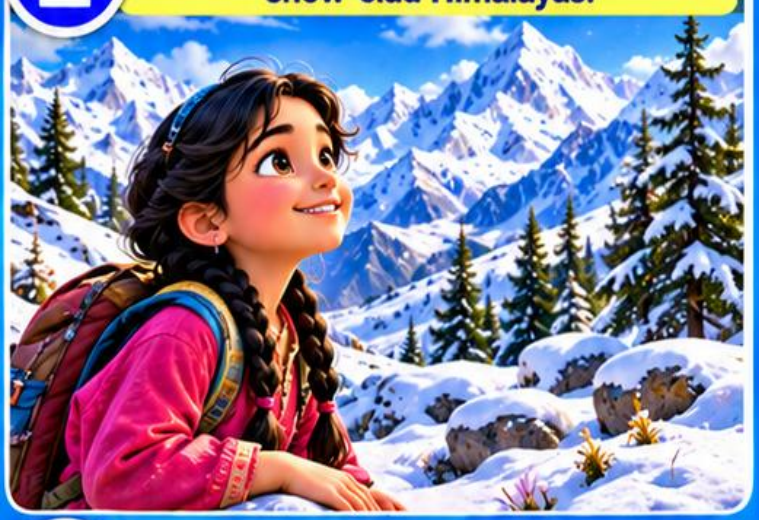


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1 Bachendri was an active and independent child.



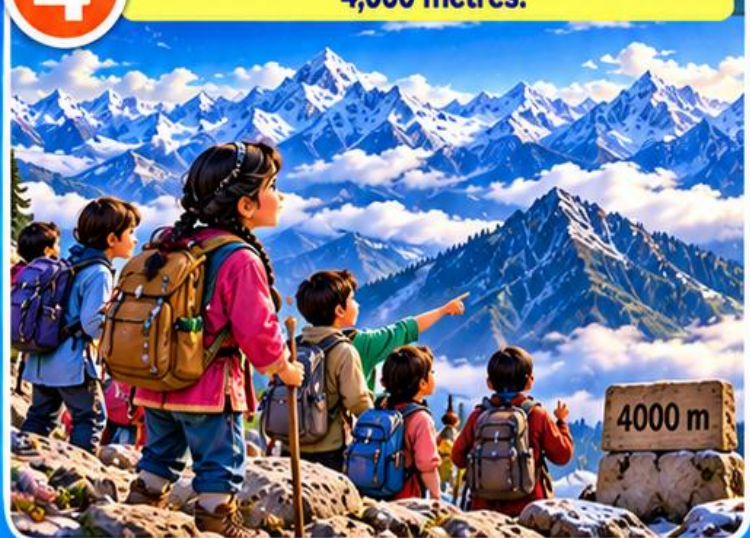
2 She loved wandering in the snow-clad Himalayas.



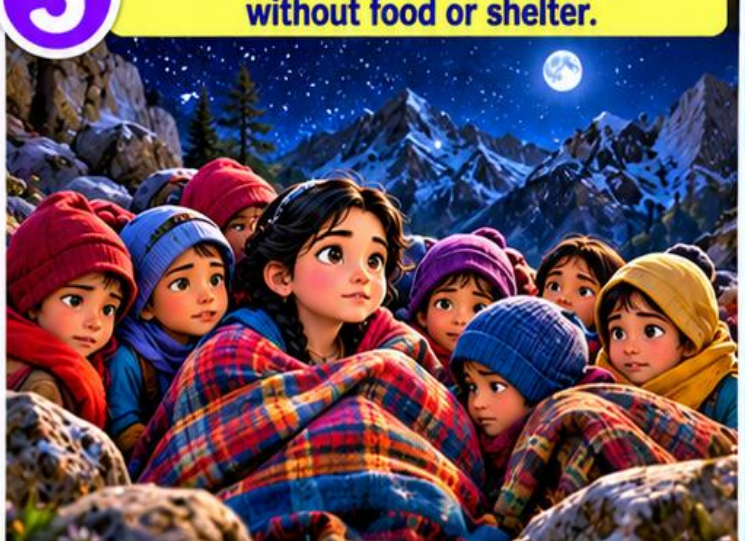
3 At twelve, she climbed with her classmates.



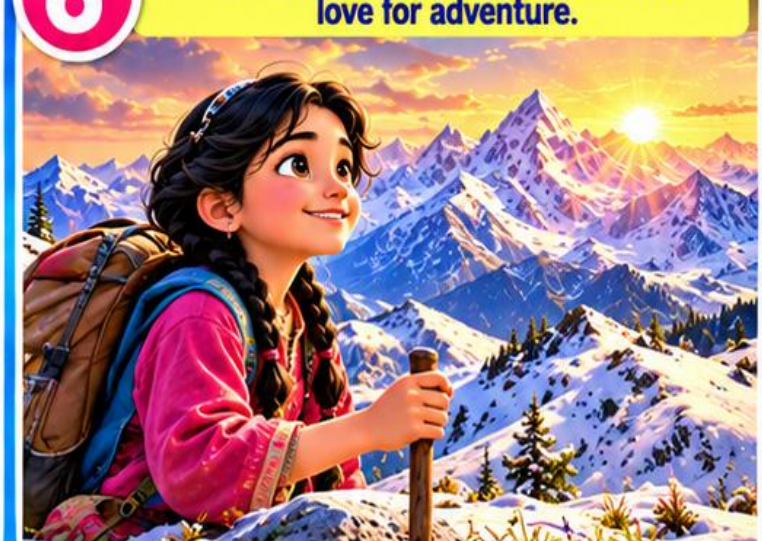
4 They climbed to a height of about 4,000 metres.



5 They had to spend the night without food or shelter.



6 The experience strengthened her love for adventure.



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1 At thirteen, she was expected to leave school and help at home.



2 Her determination impressed her parents.



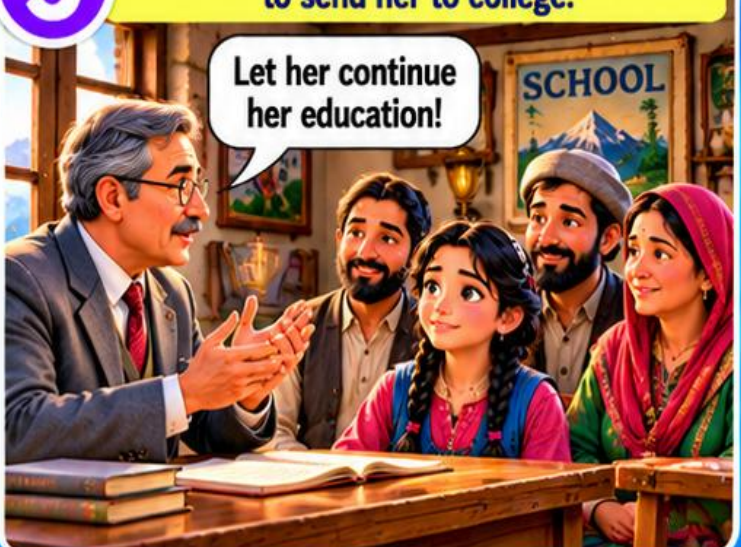
3 Her parents allowed her to finish high school.



4 She earned money by sewing in her spare time.



5 Her principal persuaded her family to send her to college.



6 She excelled in rifle shooting and other competitions.



JOURNEY TO THE TOP

1 Her graduation made her parents proud.



2 She later completed her M.A. in Sanskrit and B.Ed.



3 She wanted a career that matched her love for mountains.



4 She applied for the Basic Mountaineering Course.



5 She was judged the best student in the course.



6 She completed the Advanced Mountaineering Course with flying colours.



JOURNEY TO THE TOP

1 Brigadier Gyan Singh visited Uttarkashi in 1983.



2 He organized an adventure course for teachers.



3 Bachendri was selected with six other women.



4 The Bhagirathi Seven Sisters Adventure Club was established.



5 The initiative helped women develop mountaineering skills.



6 Her training prepared her for a greater challenge.



JOURNEY TO THE TOP

1 Bachendri was selected for the Indian Everest Expedition in 1984.



2 The team included seven women and eleven men.



3 The climbers faced a difficult journey.



4 An avalanche and injuries created serious setbacks.



5 Bachendri refused to give up.



6 23 MAY 1984 – BACHENDRI PAL REACHED THE SUMMIT OF EVEREST.



She became the first Indian woman to climb Mount Everest.

JOURNEY TO THE TOP

1 Her dream of reaching the highest peak came true.



2 India honoured her mountaineering achievements.



3 Her courage and achievements received national recognition.



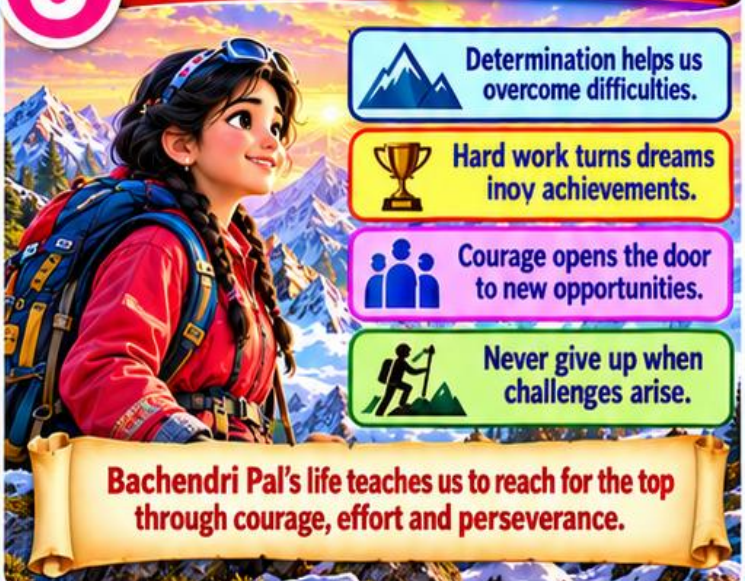
4 She shared her experiences in her autobiography.



5 Her journey inspires others to pursue their dreams.



6 THE MESSAGE OF JOURNEY TO THE TOP



- Determination helps us overcome difficulties.
- Hard work turns dreams inoy achievements.
- Courage opens the door to new opportunities.
- Never give up when challenges arise.

Bachendri Pal's life teaches us to reach for the top through courage, effort and perseverance.