

*Charged with the mission of setting up India's first Permanent Base Station at Antarctica, in the summer of 1983/84, the 3rd Indian Scientific Expedition had a helicopter crash 3 days after arrival in Antarctica. Prime Minister Indira Gandhi was informed, and she immediately called the young Expedition Leader Harsh Gupta and enquired whether the mission could still be achieved. Gupta's instantaneous response was:*

*"If I do not do it, I do not come back."*

## Building Dakshin Gangotri at Antarctica

# A Miracle

Harsh K. Gupta



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**Building and populating Dakshin Gangotri was a record created in 1984.  
This record still holds.**

# HARSH K. GUPTA

Dr. Gupta in a simple and lucid manner recollects all that happened during the expedition and also the successful set up of the 1st Indian Base Station in Antarctica. Dr. Gupta has given an insight to all those Antarctic research enthusiasts the early days of the India's Antarctic research program. The book is printed on 170 GSM art board with glossy finish and contain numerous colour illustrations. This hardbound book is priced at ₹700 (India) or US \$20 (mailing charges extra).

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