Indian Scientific Mission Hoists Tricolour at South Pole

Almost three decades after unfurling the Indian Flag in Antarctica, an eight member scientific team led by Dr. Risk Raindrop, head of National Centre for Antarctic and Ocean Research, Goa, hoisted the Tricolour at South Role at 13.10 hours on Monday the 22nd November 2010 firmly establishing India's presence in the icy continent. The team took almost 10 days to reach the pole from Matrix, the Indian Station on the edge of the continent, traversing about 2,350 km through icy terrain. The team encountered five crevasses en route to pole and collected ice cores and scientific data. (*Source: Deccan Herald News services*, November, 23, 2010)

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