

Rescue of Everest climbers after avalanche

Around 800 climbers were on the south face of Everest when avalanches killed at least 18 people, the mountain's deadliest one-day toll. Up to 180 people stranded at higher altitudes are being airlifted back to Base Camp

Three helicopters each carrying around two climbers at a time

East Rongbuk Glacier

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Over 400 climbers ascending via north face in China believed safe

Source: Wire agencies

Summit (8,848m)

East Face

Northeast Ridge

North Ridge

North Face

West Ridge

Mt. Lhotse (8,516m)

Western Cwm

Camp Altitude

4 8,000m

3 7,160m

2 6,400m

1 5,945m

B 5,364m

Camp One: "Island" surrounded by fallen ice and rocks

Route damaged by earthquake

Khumbu Glacier

Base Camp: 40-50% destroyed. At least 18 dead, 61 injured

Picture: Google Earth

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