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Himalaya and Everest: mixed results in last calls

(Brooke Meetze) A spike in the winds made Project Himalaya turn back on Everest north side while on the south side Jeff stayed only 10 minuets on top.

Everest south side

"If you look carefully you can see Jeff in the shadow cast by the summit of Mt Everest at sunrise." (Ed note: see image). Team Exploradus made it; but Tracy stayed behind at the South Col and so did Share Everest Daniele Bernasconi and Daniele Nardi.

Lack in Sherpa support, once on South Col the Italian mountaineers got busy fixing the weather station. Affected by Nardi's earlier bronchial infection, in the end the two climbers decided the lonely lug of heavy sensors to the top would be too risky.

The SHARE Everest expedition in 2011, which began in late April, has achieved most its other goals: the positioning in Kala Patthar of the webcam that makes it possible to check minute by minute the evolution of weather on the summit of Everest and the restoration of the weather station at South Col (8000 meters), which transmits real-time data on temperature, wind, humidity, pressure and solar radiation.

Everest North

Grant from Project Himalaya texted a summit day pullback. "All team members turned back from the summit in strong winds not forecast in the weather reports. Very cold here. Strong risk of frostbite. A storm is scheduled for the afternoon."

SummitClimb reported group success in a dispatch dated May 25. Adventure Peaks reported team success May 26, including a 16-year-old Brit.

Website links to expeditions:

Everest South Side

Jim Williams www.share-everest.com www.evk2cnr.org www.montagna.tv

Everest North Side:

Nick Rice Spanish Reto Everest 2011 Project-Himalaya 7-Summits Club Adventure Peaks Summit Climb Kobler & Partner

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