

Soldier Summit
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NEW DELHI, MAY 14 (PTI):

An Indian Army soldier went missing while another sustained serious injuries on Thursday following an avalanche in the mountainous Lagnak La region of north Sikkim, officials said.

The two personnel were part of a 17-member group which came under the avalanche, they said.

"A snow clearance party came under a sudden snow slide in north Sikkim. All soldiers have been evacuated safely but for one soldier who is still missing," a senior Army official said.

"One of the soldiers sustained serious injuries and is undergoing medical treatment. Intense search is underway to locate the missing soldier," he said.

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NEW DELHI, MAY 14 (PTI): A Lt Colonel and a soldier of the Indian Army were killed in an avalanche in the mountainous Lagnak La region of north Sikkim on Thursday, officials said.

The two personnel were part of an 18-member group which came under the avalanche, they said.

"A patrolling-cum-snow clearance party came under avalanche in North Sikkim on 14 May," a senior Army official said.

"In spite of the best efforts of the rescue team and local formation an officer Lt Col Robert TA and sapper Sapala Shanmukha Rao who were trapped under the ice lost their lives," he said.