



KARGIL

VIJAY DIWAS

— 26 JULY —



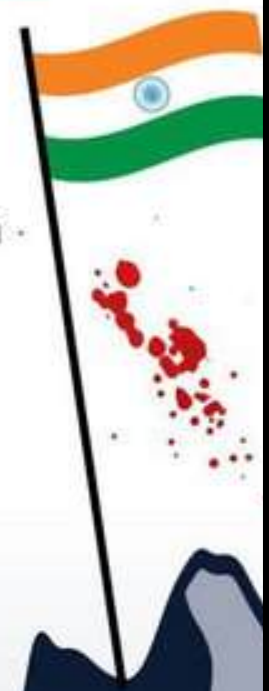


How India Won **KARGIL**



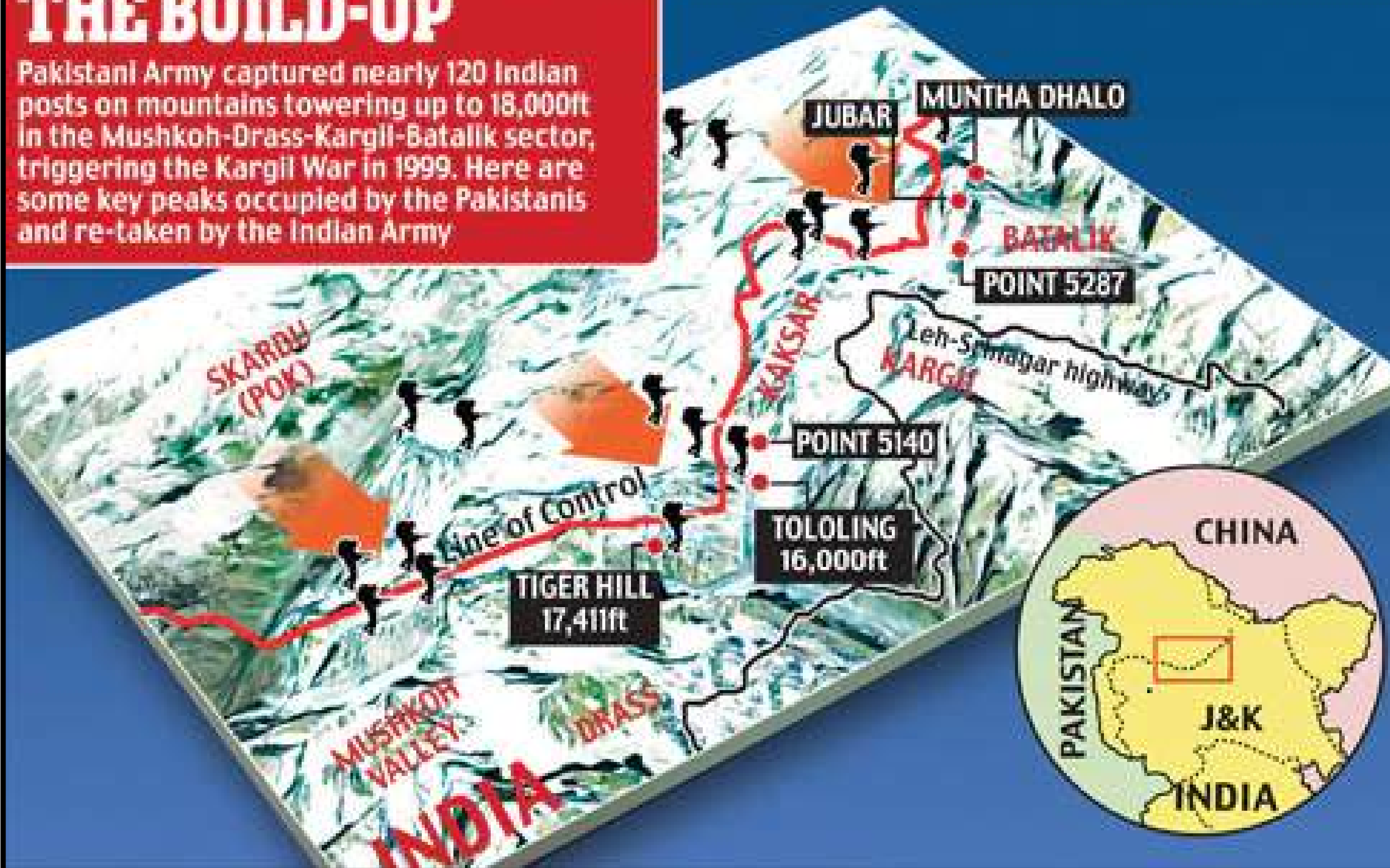
A chronology of key events

- 3 May, 1999 — Pakistani intrusion reported in Kargil
- 10-May — Infiltrations noticed in Dras, Kaksar, and Mushkoh
- 26-May — IAF launches air strikes against infiltrators
- 5-Jun — India releases docs indicating Pak's involvement
- 13-Jun — Indian Army secures Tololing in Dras
- 4-Jul — Tiger Hill recaptured after an 11-hour battle
- 5-Jul — Dras recaptured
- 7-Jul — Batalik recaptured
- 14-Jul — India declares Operation Vijay a success
- 26 July, 1999 — Kargil conflict officially comes to an end



THE BUILD-UP

Pakistani Army captured nearly 120 Indian posts on mountains towering up to 18,000ft in the Mushkoh-Drass-Kargil-Batalik sector, triggering the Kargil War in 1999. Here are some key peaks occupied by the Pakistanis and re-taken by the Indian Army



1998-1999

Pakistani Army, taking advantage of winter months, occupies Indian posts bringing Leh-Srinagar highway within range of its artillery fire

MAY 3, 1999

Pakistani intrusion in Kargil reported by local shepherds

MAY 5

Indian Army sends patrol team; soldiers captured and tortured to death

MAY 9

Heavy shelling by Pakistani Army damages ammo dump in Kargil

MAY 10-14

Infiltrations noticed in Drass, Kaksar and Mushkoh sectors

MAY 14

Flushing out operations begin



Srinagar

Rajm

Batra Top

Rhino Horn

Tiger Hill

Marpola

Pt 5240

Pt 5100

Tobling

Sandu Top

Mushkoh

NH-1A

Dras Town

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Umbala Top





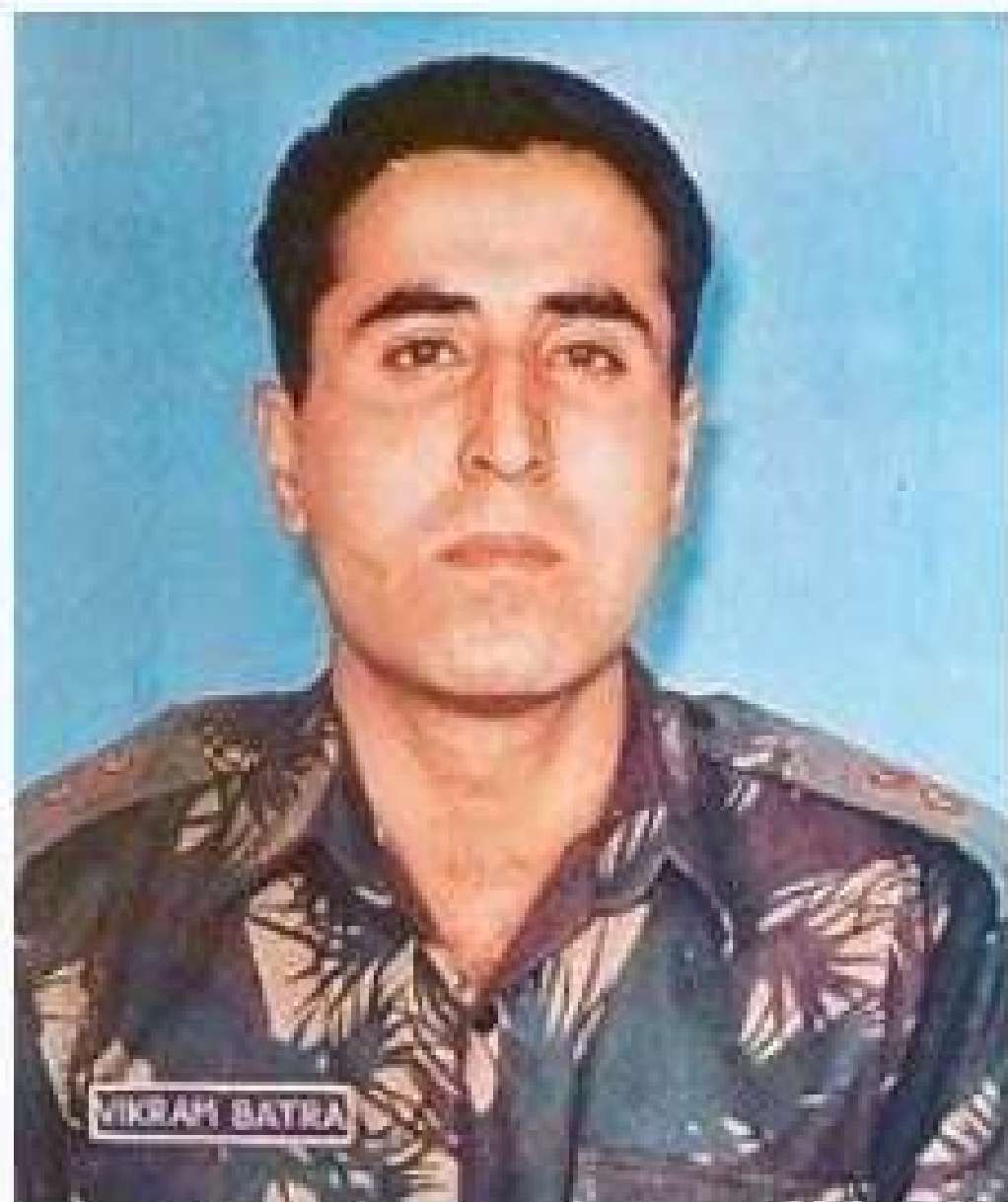







Captain
Vikram Batra

PVC



Official military portrait, 1997

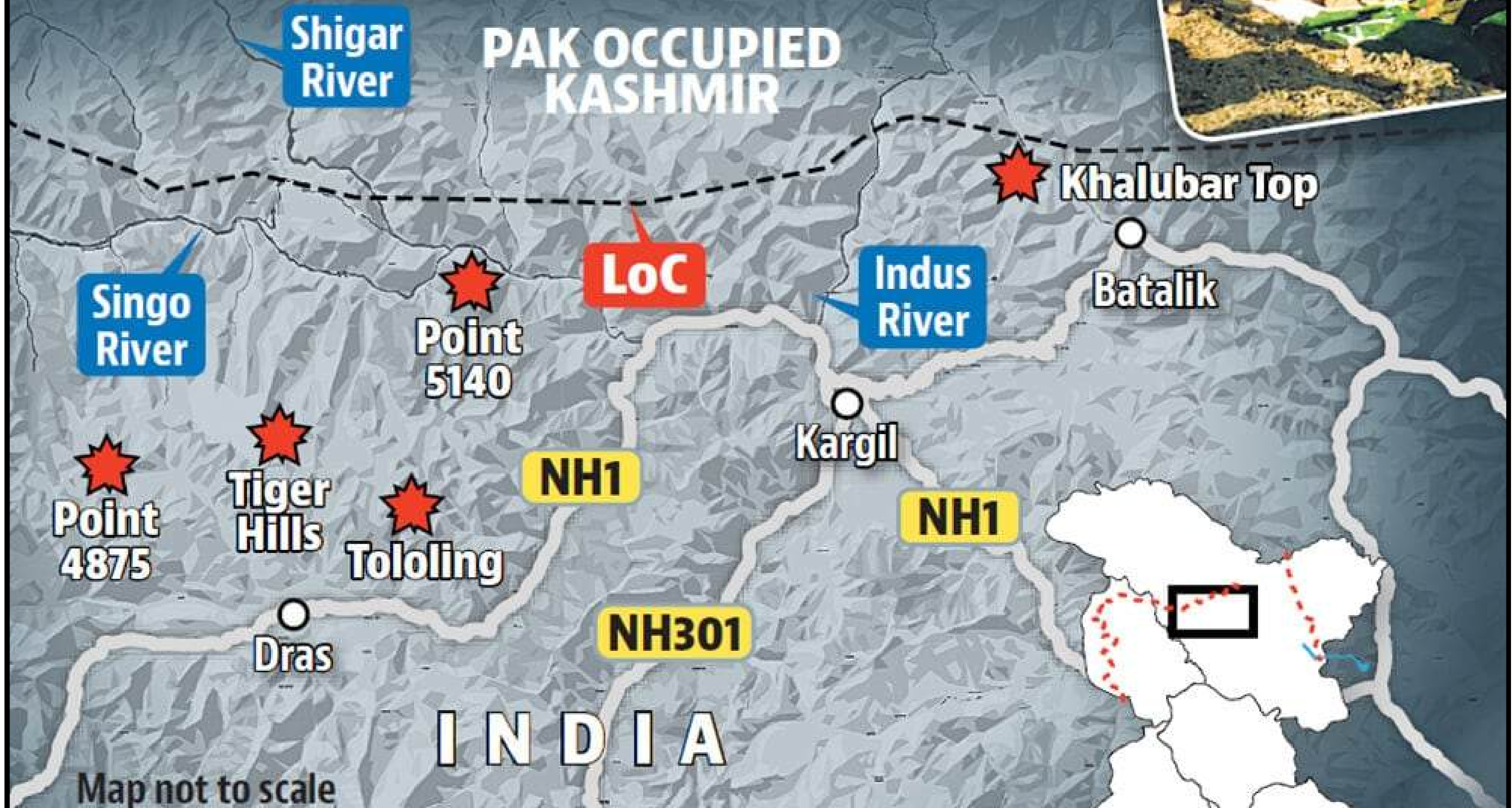
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Allegiance	 Republic of India
Service/branch	 Indian Army
Years of service	1997–1999
Rank	 Captain
Service number	IC-57556H
Unit	13 Jammu And Kashmir Rifle
Battles/wars	Kargil War (1999) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Battle of Point 5140• Battle of Point 4875 †
Awards	 Param Vir Chakra
Alma mater	DAV College (BMSc) Panjab University (MA; unfinished) Indian Military Academy

A war amid mountains



★ Key battle fronts during Kargil War





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