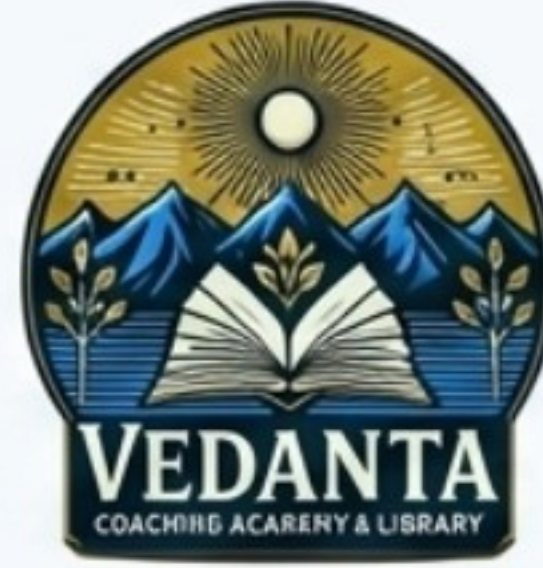


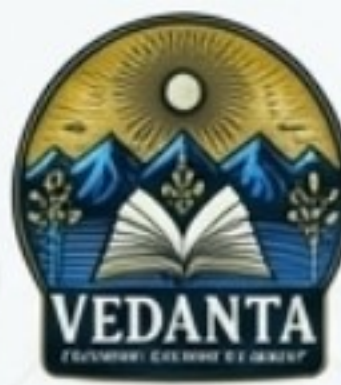


CHAPTER 1: GEOGRAPHY OF HIMACHAL PRADESH

Mountain Passes & Peaks

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*Detailed reference covering Notable Passes, Passes & Jots
(63 locations), and Mountain Peaks (44 locations).*



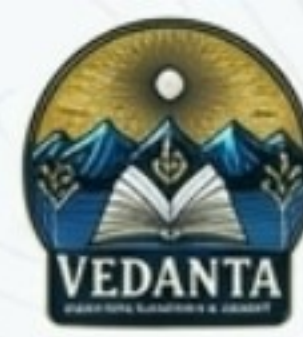
Notable Passes: Baralacha & Bhaba

Baralacha Pass (Baralacha La): In Lahaul at ~4,890 m (16,040 ft) on the Manali–Leh highway, linking Lahaul with Ladakh; a meeting point for roads from Zaskar, Ladakh, Spiti and Lahaul. The Bhaga (a Chenab tributary) rises near it from the Surya Taal (Sun Lake); the “Pass with cross roads on summit”.



Bhaba Pass (Bhawa / Tara): In Kinnaur at ~4,865 m (15,970 ft); a crossover between the green Bhaba Valley (Kinnaur) and the barren Pin Valley (Spiti).





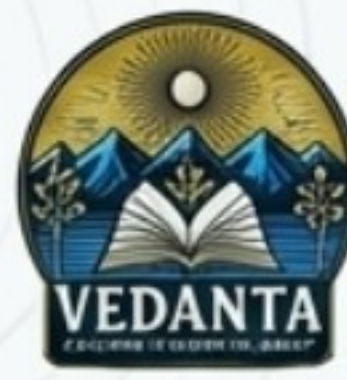
Notable Passes: Darati & Hamta

Darati Pass: At 4,720 m in Chamba; a steep climb from Bhango via Alyas (4,300 m), descending over grassy and moraine slopes to Tandi (2,650 m).



Hamta Pass: At ~4,270 m (14,010 ft) in eastern Kullu, reached beyond Manali via Indrasan, Deo Tibba and Inder Killa; the historic 'Arjun Gufa' cave lies at Bhanara (2,300 m) on the descent.





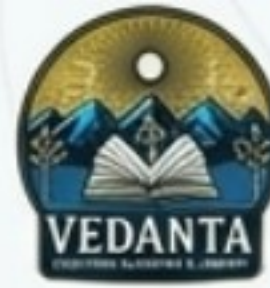
Notable Passes: Kunzum & Manirang

Kunzum Pass (Kunzum La): At 4,551 m (14,931 ft) on NH-505, linking Lahaul (via Gramphu/Keylong) with Spiti (via Losar/Kaza); 122 km from Manali and 79 km from Kaza, with 15 hairpin bends from Batal (4,000 m).



Manirang Pass: Crossed via the Manessar Pass (3,949 m) above the Ropa–Chuktayanjan confluence, walking 12 km from Ropa (2,925 m) to Pankil (4,000 m) beyond Kalpa.





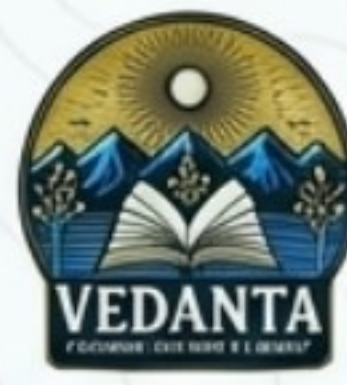
Notable Passes: Rohtang & Sach

Rohtang Pass: The main gateway between Lahaul and southern Kullu-Manali, across the Pir Panjal on the National Highway to Leh – the world's second-highest road point. The first Englishman to reach it was Moorecraft, who called it 'Ritanka Jot'; Lord Elgin (1963) crossed it twice in a day.



Sach Pass: At 4,395 m, the most convenient trekking route into the Pangri Valley in Chamba; Killar (with a helipad) is 137 km from Chamba via this pass.





Passes and Jots in Himachal Pradesh (1 – 11)

Sr.	Name of the Pass / Jot	Altitude (m)	Location / Connects
1	Basodan	2,400	Chamba – Bhattiyat
2	Dulchi	2,788	Mandi – Kullu
3	Bhubu	2,895	Joginder Nagar – Kullu
4	Padri	3,050	Chamba – Jammu
5	Jalori	3,135	Inner & Outer Seraj, Kullu
6	Chauri	3,150	Chamba – Kangra
7	Rashol Jot	3,230	Kullu
8	Pajanand Galu	3,280	Mandi – Kullu
9	Khauli Galu	3,440	Kullu
10	Jalsu Ka Jot	3,450	Kangra – Chamba
11	Chandarkhani Galu	3,600	Kullu



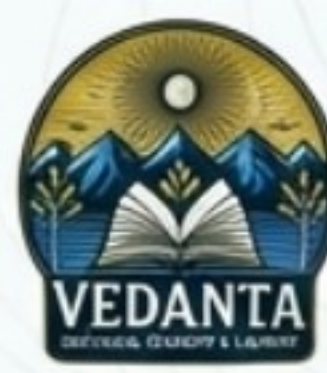
Passes and Jots in Himachal Pradesh (12 - 22)

Sr.	Name of the Pass / Jot	Altitude (m)	Location / Connects	
12	Tainti Galu	3,600	Kullu	
13	Baleni Jot	3,730		Kangra – Chamba
14	Gharhu Jot	3,730		Kullu
15	Sari Galu	3,740		Kullu – Kangra
16	Waru Pass	3,870		Kangra – Chamba
17	Shipki La	3,930		Kinnaur – Tibet/China
18	Rohtang	3,978		Kullu – Lahaul
19	Bheriyang Pass	4,140		Kullu – Kangra
20	Hamta Jot	4,270		Pir Panjal / Kullu – Spiti
21	Singoor Pass	4,310		Kangra – Bharmour
22	Indrahar Pass	4,320		Kangra – Bharmour



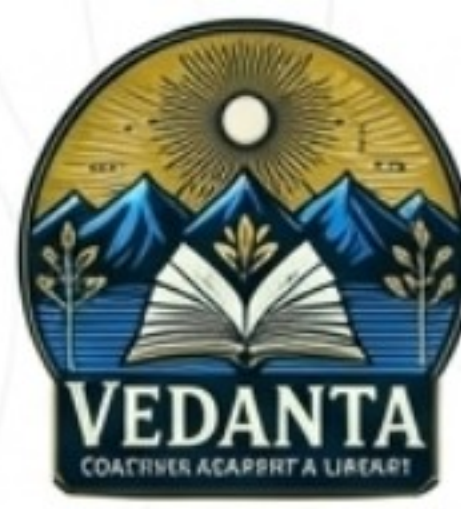
Passes and Jots in Himachal Pradesh (23 – 33)

Sr.	Name of the Pass / Jot	Altitude (m)	Location / Connects
23	Tori Jot	4,360	Kangra – Chamba
24	Sach Pass	4,395	Chamba – Pangi
25	Ranjcha Pass	4,400	Lahaul – Spiti
26	Shipkila	4,500	Lahaul – Spiti
27	Kunzum La	4,520	Lahaul – Spiti
28	Shi Jot	4,530	Kullu
29	Rangchi Galu	4,540	Kullu
30	Tamsar Pass	4,572	Kangra – Bara Bhangal
31	Shinkla Pass	4,575	Kinnaur – Garhwal
32	Burua Pass	4,578	Kinnaur – Garhwal
33	Rupin Ghati Pass	4,625	Kinnaur – Garhwal



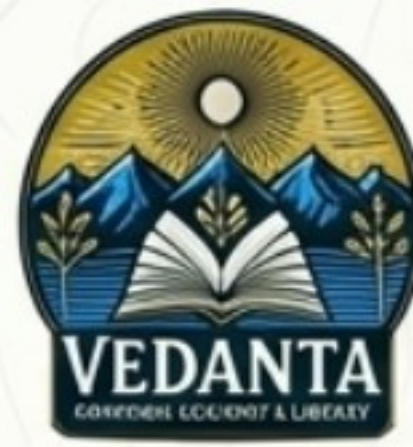
Passes and Jots in Himachal Pradesh (34 - 44)

Sr.	Name of the Pass / Jot	Altitude (m)	Location / Connects
34	Talang Pass	4,640	Kangra – Chamba
35	Kathikukri Pass	4,640	Kullu – Kangra
36	Gairu Jot	4,660	Kangra
37	Drati Pass	4,720	Chamba – Pangi
38	Kalicho Pass	4,729	Lahaul – Bharmaur
39	Khidala Galu	4,750	Chamba
40	Nikora Pass	4,750	Kangra – Bharmour
41	Animal Pass	4,880	Kullu
42	Manali Pass	4,880	Kullu
43	Baralacha La	4,890–4,950	Lahaul – Leh/Ladakh
44	Tempo La	4,930	Lahaul – Spiti



Passes and Jots in Himachal Pradesh (45 – 54)

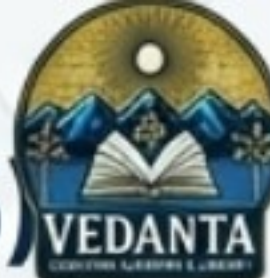
Sr.	Name of the Pass / Jot	Altitude (m)	Location / Connects
45	Chabia Pass	4,934	Pangi – Lahaul – Bharmaur
46	Mulari Jot	4,960	Lahaul
47	Kugti Pass	4,961	Lahaul – Bharmaur
48	Shipting	4,980	Bharmaur – Lahaul
49	Taintu Ka Jot	5,000	Kullu – Kangra
50	Sara Umga Pass	5,010	Kullu – Spiti
51	Shakarof Pass	5,022	Lahaul – Spiti
52	Asha Gali	5,030	Kangra – Lahaul – Spiti
53	Nalgaon Pass	5,030	Kinnaur – Garhwal
54	Duggi Jot	5,060	Bharmaur – Lahaul



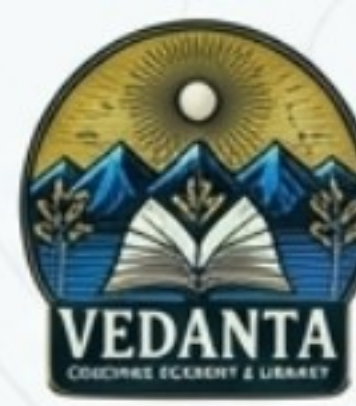
Passes and Jots in Himachal Pradesh (55 – 63)

Sr.	Name of the Pass / Jot	Altitude (m)	Location / Connects
55	Kamilaga Pass	5,151	Kinnaur – Garhwal
56	Makori Jot	5,190	Kangra
57	Lamkhaga Pass	5,284	Kinnaur – Garhwal
58	Charang Pass	5,266	Kinnaur – Garhwal
59	Pin Parbati Pass	5,319	Kullu – Spiti
60	Borsa Pass	5,360	Kinnaur – Garhwal
61	Laluni Jot	5,440	Lahaul – Spiti
62	Chobu Pass	–	Bharmaur – Lahaul – Spiti
63	Bhim Ghasutri Jot	–	Kangra – Chamba

Peaks: Altitude and Location (1 - 15)

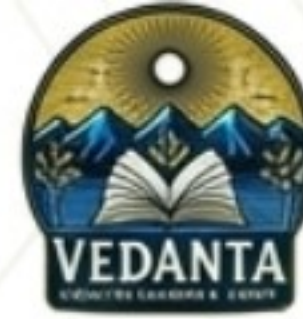


Sr.	Name of the Peak	Altitude (m)	Location / Connects
1	Cholong	3,270	Dhauladhar Range (Kangra)
2	Shach	3,540	Kullu
3	Choordhar	3,647	Shimla
4	Narsing Tibba	3,647	Chamba
5	Hargaran	3,860	Lahaul-Spiti
6	Gauri Devi ka Tibba	4,030	Chamba
7	Patalasu	4,470	Kullu
8	Ghoralantinu	4,760	Kullu-Kangra
9	Pin Parbati	4,800	Kullu
10	Inder Kila	4,940	Kullu
11	Shrigla	4,999	Lahaul-Spiti
12	Murangla	5,060	Lahaul-Spiti
13	Lachalungla	5,060	Lahaul-Spiti
14	Thamsar	5,080	Chamba
15	Srikhanda	5,182	Kullu



Peaks: Altitude and Location (16 - 30)

Sr.	Name of the Peak	Altitude (m)	Location / Connects
16	Shitidhar	5,290	Kullu
17	Umasila	5,294	–
18	Raldang	5,499	Kinnaur
19	Parangla	5,579	–
20	Gushu	5,607	Kinnaur
21	Saltu Da Par	5,650	Lahaul-Spiti
22	Kailash	5,660	Bharmour (Chamba)
23	Pishu	5,672	Kinnaur
24	Bara Kanda	5,860	Bharmour (Chamba)
25	Hanuman Tibba	5,860	Kullu-Kangra
26	Maiwa Kandinoos	5,944	Kullu
27	Pir Panjal	5,972	Chamba
28	Solong	5,975	Kullu
29	Deo Tibba	6,001	Kullu
30	Gepang Goh	6,050	Lahaul-Spiti



Peaks: Altitude and Location (31 - 44)

Sr.	Name of the Peak	Altitude (m)	Location / Connects
31	Mukar Beh	6,070	Lahaul-Spiti
32	Shikar Beh	6,200	Lahaul-Spiti
33	Indrasan	6,220	Kullu-Manali
34	Shigrila	6,230	Lahaul-Spiti
35	Phawarang	6,349	Kinnaur
36	Gyephang	6,400	Lahaul-Spiti
37	Dibibokri Pyramid	6,400	Kullu
38	Jorkoden	6,473	Kinnaur
39	Kinner Kailash	6,500	Kinnaur
40	Mulkila	6,520	Lahaul-Spiti
41	Manerang	6,597	Spiti
42	Shipki	6,608	Kinnaur
43	Leo-Pargial (Riwo Phargyul)	6,791	Kinnaur
44	Shilla	7,025	Kinnaur (the highest)