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'TOP-OF-THE-WORLD FEELING'

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Elango oldest Malaysian to reach world's highest peak, plans to scale other G7

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AT 9.17am Nepal time (11.32am Malaysian time) on May 12, N. Elanghovan stood "on top of the world" elated that he had reached the summit of Mt Everest as the oldest Malaysian to do so.

For the 64-year-old **Tenaga Nasional Bhd retiree**, it was "a mission accomplished" as he had set himself the goal of climbing the world's highest mountain after setting foot at Everest Base Camp in 2014.

"Standing on top of the world is hard to describe in words. It was

truly a 'top-of-the-world feeling' of realising my dream.

"All the hard work I put in and the sacrifices I made paid off," Elanghovan, fondly known as Elango, told Bernama.

He proudly showed a certificate dated June 14, 2022, issued by the Tourism Department of Nepal's Tourism, Culture and Civil Aviation Ministry, verifying his climb to the top of the 8,849-metre-high mountain.

Elango submitted a request for his feat to be included in the Malaysia Book of Records (MBOR).

In an email reply dated June 21, MBOR informed him that its pan-



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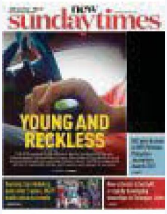
Idris was a member of the Perutusan Kembara Negara Everest expedition in 2007 and achieved the feat at the age of 52. He died on Jan 1, 2017.

Elango was part of a three-man expedition, which included T. Ravichandran, 57, better known as Ravi Everest.

The third climber in the team was United States-based Indian national Sidharth Routray, 40. All three summited Everest.

Asked about his next mission, Elango said he planned to scale the G7 — the seven highest summits in seven continents

With Mt Everest in Asia and Mt Kilimanjaro in Africa (5,895m), which he scaled in August 2016, already in the bag, he intends to climb Mt Aconcagua (6,961m) in Argentina, South America; Mt Denali (6,194m) in Alaska, North America; Mt Elbrus (5,642m) in Russia, Europe; the Vinson Massif (4,892m) in Antarctica and Mt Kosciuszko (2,228m) in Australia.
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