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### Missing ski racer found in Paris

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**A young Nepalese ski racer who vanished from his team's base in Les Arcs has been found in the French capital. The exact circumstances are confusing.**

17-year old, Uttam Rayamajhi, disappeared just over 2 weeks ago and apparently had no money or spare clothes when he went missing from the team's accommodation.

He was tracked down after a Facebook campaign to find him.

A person in Paris who had seen his photo spotted him, spoke to him and when Uttam realised his disappearance was harming potential funding for the ski team he decided to hand himself in.

He had apparently been very upset following the disintegration of the Nepal ski team after a row about money with the country's Olympic Committee.

He reportedly walked and hitched lifts to Paris and relied on the help of strangers for food.

There are also reports though that he had joined the Jehovah's Witnesses which adds to the mystery and casts doubt on some of the details we have heard here at PlanetSKI.

Hundreds of people joined the Facebook campaign.

Before disappearing from Les Arcs the teenager put up messages on his Facebook page about "a life without hope".

Whatever the exact details of his disappearance and how he got to, and looked after himself in Paris, he is now re-united with the ski team officials.

*Uttam at the World Championships in Val d'Isere*



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