

# **Sagar Parikrama II – Solo Circumnavigation of the Globe by Indian Naval Sailing Vessel Mhadei**

Sagar Parikrama is the envisaged circumnavigation of the globe solo and under sail by Indian Naval Sailing Vesel (INSV) Mhadei being skippered by Lieutenant Commander Abhilash Tomy of the Indian Navy. INSV Mhadei would be sailed single handedly around the world south of all the great capes viz Cape Leeuwing, Cape Horn and Cape of Good Hope, covering a distance of 21600 nautical miles, crossing the equator twice, and starting and finishing its circumnavigation from the same port.

While about 5000 people have summited Mount Everest and 500 have gone into outer space, only 181 individuals have solo circumnavigated the globe and only approximately 80 have done so without any stops. This naturally indicates the level of difficulty of solo circumnavigation ventures.

Sagar Parikrama 2 is slated to begin on 01 Nov 2012 from Mumbai and the voyage itself should last six months.

## **About the Skipper**

Lt Cdr Abhilash Tomy is an alumnus of India's Naval Academy and was commissioned into the Indian Navy on 01 Jul 2000. He is a maritime reconnaissance pilot by specialisation and has logged in approximately 1300 hours of flying.

A yachtsman by hobby, Lt Cdr Tomy has taken part in various national and international regattas. In 2008, he was appointed as the Yacht Services Manager for the Volvo Ocean Race Stopover at Kochi. In 2009, he had volunteered to assist the skipper of INSV Mhadei during Sagar Parikrama 1. He has logged approximately 27000 miles of ocean sailing out of which 25000 miles are on the Mhadei.

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