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★ THE LEADER ★

BIOGRAPHICAL TIMELINE

BORN:	14th April 1950
JOINED SLN:	1st July 1969
RETIRED:	1st April 1998
FINAL RANK:	Rear Admiral / Chief of Staff

EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

42 years of distinguished experience spanning the Sri Lanka Navy, Merchant Marine, Port Harbour Management, State Governance, and Private Maritime Enterprise at the highest levels.

GLOBAL OUTLOOK

Actively seeking strategic partnerships with international maritime business owners to capture sizable opportunities in the global market.

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

- ◆ M.Sc. Defence Studies – Univ. of Allahabad (1995)
- ◆ M.Sc. Defence Studies (Grade A) – Univ. of Madras
- ◆ NDC Degree – National Defence College, New Delhi
- ◆ PSC Certificate – Defence Services Staff College, India
- ◆ PG Diploma – International Affairs (BCIS, Colombo)
- ◆ Competency Certificate for Masters | Merchant Shipping

CORE EXPERTISE

Maritime Security Solutions – Experienced, legally authorised armed security teams for international shipping companies.

Fleet & Vessel Management – Strategic oversight, maintenance and operation of multi-category sea-going vessels.

Harbour Management & Pilotage – Deep expertise in port operations, commercial harbour control, and marine pilotage.

Commercial Shipping Operations – Vessel chartering, shipping agency activities, and specialised logistics.

State Procurement & TEC Leadership – Chaired Technical Evaluation Committees for multi-million dollar maritime projects.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Commercial Sector & State Governance

- **Dec 2009 – Present**
Managing Director
Seven Sails Shipping & Maritime (Pvt) Ltd.
- **Apr 2001 – Present**
Sole Proprietor & CEO
Seven Sails Shipping & Maritime
- **Feb 2002 – Jul 2004**
Deputy Director General
SCOPP, Government of Sri Lanka

Distinguished Sri Lanka Navy Service (1969 – 1998)

- **Apr 1994 – Apr 1998**
Rear Admiral | Chief of Staff (2nd in Command)
- **Sep 1993 – Jun 1994**
Chief of Staff SLN
- **1989–1998**
Commander Northern & Eastern Naval Areas
(Multiple occasions)
- **1983–1998**
Director Naval Personnel & Training; Commandant NMA
- **Nov 1989 – Jan 1993**
Harbour Master & Chief Pilot
Port of Kankasanturai
- **1972–1973**
Merchant Marine Officer (2nd Officer)
Ceylon Shipping Corporation

★ **Served as Acting Commander of the Sri Lanka Navy on 3 separate occasions.**
Commanded 4 major commissioned sea-going vessels during his distinguished career.