

Shri Telson Noronha



Sh. Telson Noronha joined MoES in November 1991. During his long service at this Ministry, he was involved with the various scientific and technical activities of CMLRE especially in the co-ordination and management of FORV Sagar Sampada and the Marine Living Resources Programme of Ministry. During this period, apart from his basic qualifications in Engineering, he acquired additional degrees in Information Technology, Business

Administration and post graduation in Geoinformatics. He is presently pursuing his PhD on Ocean Science and Technology.

Sh. Telson has participated in 59 scientific cruises onboard FORV Sagar Sampada and other Vessels including the First Indian Krill Expedition to Antarctic waters (FIKEX 1995) and Pilot Expedition for Southern Ocean Studies (PESOS-2004) for data collection using various scientific, acoustic and analytical equipment, fishing in deep sea waters, calibration of scientific equipment, sea trials for performance of the research vessels, installation and commissioning of sophisticated scientific equipment, deck machinery and hydraulic system. He was also actively involved in cruise planning and conduct of scientific workshops, conduct of meetings pertaining to TEC, VMC, SAC and RAC Meetings and International meetings like WG-EMM of CCAMLR in India. Besides his contribution on the technical side, he was also involved in fishery acoustic studies, fish finding and harvesting techniques, target strength measurements of live fish using acoustic equipment etc. The other additional jobs carried out by him include, augmentation of research facilities, planning for new fishery oceanographic research vessel, assimilation of cruise data, database generation and GIS based Information system, conduct exhibitions on Ocean Awareness, computerized inventory of scientific equipment and spares onboard FORV Sagar Sampada for effective management.

The whole hearted efforts taken by Sh.Telson Noronha since 1991, enabled FORV Sagar Sampada to run in good condition even today after a span of almost 30 years since delivery of the vessel. He has gained immense experience with vessel management, on hand experience at various ports and dry docks (shipyards in India, Dubai and Colombo), official agencies like Mercantile Marine Department, Director General of Shipping etc. and have supervised all the dry docking of the vessel during 1992 till date. The timely actions taken for the augmentation of the facilities onboard with state-of-the-art machinery and deck winches now helps in undertaking full-fledged trouble free scientific cruises including fishing to depths of above 1000m for the implementation of MLR and other programs of user agencies. Sh.Telson

Noronha has also assisted in conducting successful meetings such as high level Cruise Planning and Priorities Committee, RAC, SAC, JSTAC and TAC for many years for formulating periodic planning, implementation and monitoring of scientific cruises and maintenance of scientific equipment. Sh. Telson Noronha had been the backbone since the initial stages of planning and implementation of the MLR programs and was member of various Task Forces for monitoring of these programs.

Presently, he is involved with vessel management, Southern Ocean MLR programme, CCAMLR matters, acquisition of new Fishery Oceanographic Research Vessel and related matters.

Shri Telson Noronha is awarded Certificate of Merit for his outstanding contributions in the field of Southern Ocean Marine Living Resources.