

PHOTOGRAPHIC INSERTS



Calendar art created during the Bangladesh war in 1971, showing Mrs Gandhi, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, a burning Yahya Khan and an exploding merchant ship.



Admiral S.M. Nanda with Captain M.K. Roy on the quarterdeck of a warship in 1971.

Courtesy: VSainik Samachar, MoD



Lt Cdr Mihir Roy (extreme left) with his crew from INAS 310 squadron, Op Vijay, Goa, 1961.

Courtesy: Cdr Arun Saigal



Admiral S.M. Nanda and Mrs Gandhi on board the INS VIKRANT.

Courtesy: Cdr Arun Saigal



Admiral S.M. Nanda.

Courtesy: Capt MNR Samant



Cdr Samant as commanding officer, INS Karanj.

*Photographer: Mahmud Hossain
Courtesy: Liberation War Museum, Dhaka*



Abee fins.

Courtesy: Probir Roy



Humayun Kabir and others in C2P. In front of them are disassembled limpet mines.



Refugees in Calcutta; display at the Genocide Museum, Khulna.



Lt Kapil, standing, second from left; and Lt Das, sitting, second from left, during their training at the HMS Vernon in the UK in 1969.



Tejnagar sugar cane farm – Site of Camp C2P on the Plassey battlefield, Nadia district, West Bengal.



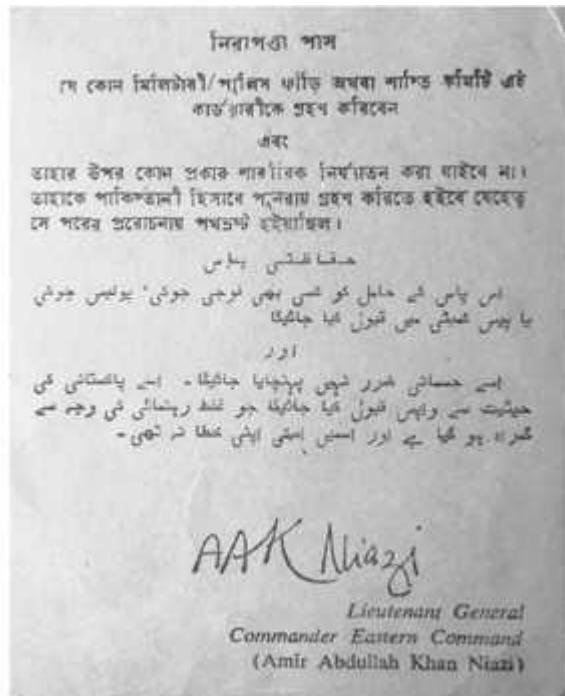
Frogmen: Indian Naval clearance divers jump off a ship for ships' bottom searches in dry (rubberized) suits, CDBA (closed circuit / rebreather) sets and Churchill fins.



A Mukti Bahini poster during the liberation war depicts General Yahya Khan; 'These are animals. Kill these Animals.'



Condoms – used as covers on the soluble plugs in the limpet mines – in production at the Hindustan Latex Ltd plant, Trivandrum, in 1969.



Niazi Leaflet – Bilingual Pakistan Army leaflets signed by Lt General A.A.K. Niazi instructing the Mukti Bahini forces how to conduct their surrender.



Recreation of a torture chamber used by the Pakistan Army at the Genocide Museum, Khulna.

Courtesy: Naval Commando Association, Dhaka



Naval commandos with their trainers. Standing (L to R): Badiul Alam (guide), unidentified, Shah Alam, Abdur Rashid, unidentified. Sitting (L to R): L. Singh, Sub Lt B.S. Thakur, Lt Cdr George Martis, Leading Seaman M.S. Gupta. Sitting on floor (L to R): Imdad Hussain Matin, Khurshed Alam. This photograph was taken in Chittagong in December 1971, after the war.

Courtesy: Cmdre Rajjan Vir



Sub Lt Zamir Ahmed (standing, second from right) right behind his roommate Sub Lt Samant (seated), Whale Island, Portsmouth, UK, during their gunnery course in 1953.



Photo wall of international media coverage of the attacks on ships by naval commandos.



Naval commandos in operation inside Bangla Desh, holding Mark 1 limpet mines in their right hands, Abee fins in their left. Commandos are Khalil-ur-Rahman, Akhtar, Emdad, Khasru and Arun Bhatt.



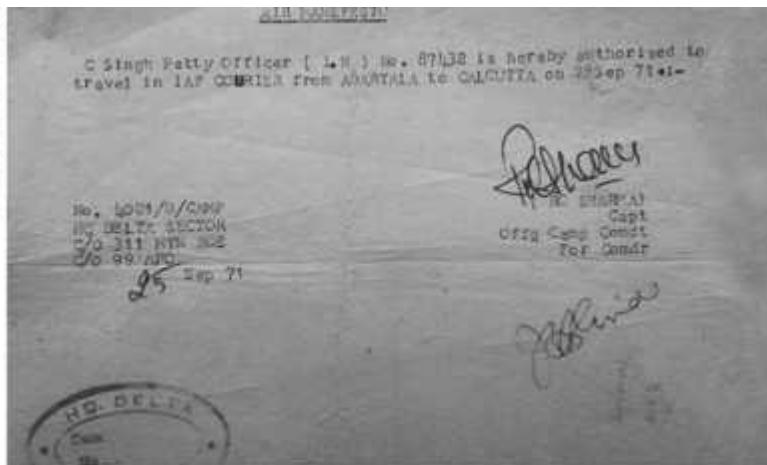
Chiman Singh, MVC, in Delta Sector, Agartala, Tripura, October 1971.

Courtesy: Capt M.N.R Samant



Signal reporting Chiman Singh missing.

Courtesy: Chiman Singh



Air manifest authorizing Chiman Singh's flight from Delta Sector to Calcutta.

Courtesy: Dr Niladri Ghosh



Lt Cdr Ashok 'Aku' Roy, the officer-in-charge of the naval detachment in Delta Sector.

Courtesy: Lt Suvesh Mitter



Lt Suvesh Mitter (centre) with Captain Fraser (second from left) on the deck of the INS DARSHAK.

Courtesy: The Daily Star



The salvaged hulk of the MV AKRAM at the Shahen Shah dockyard by the Shitalakhya river in Narayanganj in 2017. The AKRAM resupplied the Pakistan Army until it was sunk by naval commandos in Chandpur on 30 October 1971.

*Photographer: Mahmudul Hosain
Courtesy: Liberation War Museum, Dhaka*



Sunken merchant ship at Chittagong during Operation Jackpot.

Courtesy: Sumita Sen, via Vice Admiral Prem Suthan



Cdr Subir Paul – CO INS KAVARATTI.

Courtesy: Capt M.N.R. Samant



Capt Samant with Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and the first Bangladeshi acting navy chief, Capt Nurul Haque.

Photographer: Vikrant Sharma



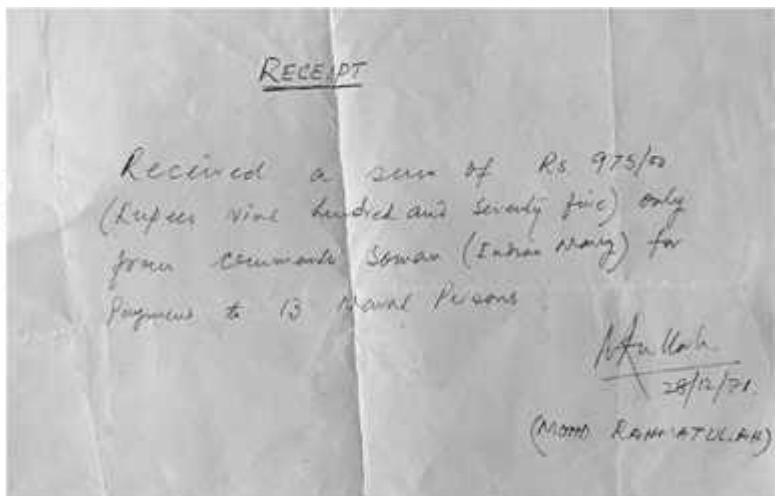
L to R: Cdr Vijai Kapil, Chiman Singh and Capt M.N.R. Samant.

Photographer: Sandeep Unnikhan

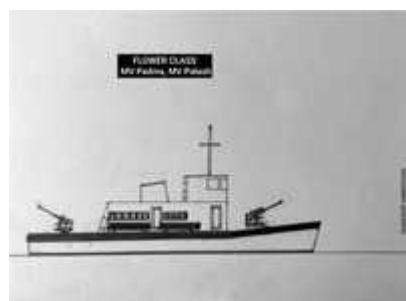


L to R: Commodore A.W. Chowdhury with Cdr Kapil on a floating jetty in Chittagong in front of the ship berths attacked by Chowdhury's assault swimmers during Operation Jackpot on 15/16 August 1971.

Courtesy: Capt M.N.R. Samant



Handwritten receipt from Rahamtulla to Capt M.N.R. Samant.



Artist's impression of a 'Flower-class' harbour utility craft from Calcutta Port. These were converted into the Mukti Bahini gunboats MV PADMA and MV PALASH.

(Dimensions: displacement approx 100 tons, full load; length x width x draft: 100ft x 18ft x 6ft)



Artist's impression of INS PANVEL, a ninety-ton Soviet-built 'Poluchat'-class patrol boat from the Eastern Naval Command.

(Dimensions: length x width x draft: 98ft x 15ft x 4.8 ft)



Mark VII airdropped mine.

Courtesy: Sumita Sen, via Vice Admiral Prem Suhhan



The Petya-II – class corvette INS KAVARATTI in the Bay of Bengal during the 1971 war. Her pennant number has been painted out.

Photographer: Mahmud Hossein
Courtesy: Liberation War Museum, Dhaka



C-in-C of the Bangladesh armed forces, Colonel M.A.G. Osmani with his commanders.

Courtesy: MoD



Lt General Niazi signs the instrument of surrender at the Dacca racecourse,
16 December 1971.

Sitting (L to R) Lt General J.S. Aurora, GoC-in-C Eastern Army Command;
Lt General A.A.K. Niazi, Commander, Eastern Command.

Standing (L to R) Vice Admiral N. Krishnan, Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief Eastern Naval Command; Air Marshal H.C. Dewan, AoC-in-C Eastern Command; Lt General Sagat Singh, Commander 4 Corps; Major General J.F.R. Jacob, Chief of Staff Eastern Command.



Newspaper headlines announcing the defeat of Pakistan and the birth of Bangladesh.
