

## **CURRICULA VITAE OF THE MPA INVESTIGATORS**

### **Captain I G Sangameswar, Assistant Director (Investigation & Certification), MPA**

Capt IG Sangameswar joined the Marine Department (now MPA) as a Marine Surveyor in 1982. He was a Senior Marine Surveyor from 1994 to 1996 before becoming Assistant Director (Nautical) in 1996. He was redesignated Assistant Director (Investigation) in 1999, and subsequently Assistant Director (Investigation and Certification) in 2001. In his current post, Capt Sangameswar is responsible for overseeing the investigation of incidents in Singapore waters and those involving Singapore-registered ships. He also oversees the oral examinations for candidates for Singapore Certificates of Competency.

Capt Sangameswar obtained his Certificate of Competency as Master of a Foreign-Going Ship from India in 1978. Prior to joining the Marine Department (now MPA), he was a navigating officer in the Shipping Corporation of India from 1970 to 1980. Capt Sangameswar subsequently joined NOL and served as a Master from 1981 to 1982. He is a member of the Marine Accident Investigators' International Forum.

### **Captain Sunil Kumar Thapliyal, Investigation & Certification Officer, MPA**

Capt Thapliyal joined the MPA as an Investigation and Certification Officer in 2001. In his current post, Capt Thapliyal is responsible for the investigation of incidents in Singapore waters and those involving Singapore-registered ships. He also administers the oral examinations for candidates for Singapore Certificates of Competency.

Capt Thapliyal obtained his Certificate of Competency as Master Mariner (Foreign Going) from India in 1985. He subsequently obtained his Certificate of Competency as Extra Master from India in 1992. He joined the Shipping Corporation of India 1977, served as Master from 1992 to 1995 before being transferred ashore as a Manager Training from 1995 to 1999. He was the Marine Superintendent in Eurasia Marine Services Singapore from 1999 to 2001.

### **Captain Mohamed Harun Ja'afar, Investigation & Certification Officer, MPA**

Capt Mohamad Harun Ja'afar joined the then National Maritime Board (NMB - now MPA) in 1986 as a Lecturer. He served as a Lecturer in NMB, then MPA from 1986 to 2001, before being posted to MPA Shipping Division as a Port State Control Officer then as an Investigation and Certification Officer in 2002. In his current post, Capt Harun Ja'afar is responsible for the investigation of incidents in Singapore waters and those involving Singapore-registered ships. He also administers the oral examinations for candidates for Singapore Certificates of Competency.

Capt Harun Ja'afar obtained his Certificate of Competency Class 1 (Deck Officer) from Singapore in 1995. Prior to joining NMB (now MPA), Capt Harun Ja'afar was with NSSPL as a navigating cadet in 1972, before leaving as a Chief Officer in 1984.

**Captain Foong Yee Kuan, Deputy Manager, Integrated Simulation Centre of Singapore, MPA**

Capt Foong joined the MPA as a Marine Surveyor in 1996. He was promoted to Senior Investigation and Certification Officer in 2001, before his posting to the Integrated Simulation Centre as Deputy Manager in 2002. In his current post, Capt Foong is responsible for conducting and coordinating the various courses at the Integrated Simulation Centre (ISC).

Capt Foong obtained his Certificate of Competency Class 1 (Deck Officer) from Singapore in 1991. He also obtained a Master of Science in Maritime Studies from the University of Wales College of Cardiff in 1994. Prior to joining MPA, Capt Foong was a Senior Deck Officer with Sembawang Johnson Management Pte Ltd from 1987 to 1994.

**Mr Zulfiquir Husain, Investigation & Certification Officer, MPA**

Mr Zulfiquir Husain joined the MPA as an Investigation and Certification Officer in 2000. In his current post, Mr Husain is responsible for the investigation of incidents in Singapore waters and those involving Singapore-registered ships. He also administers the oral examinations for candidates for Singapore Certificates of Competency.

Mr Husain obtained his Certificate of Competency Class 1 (Marine Engineering) from the UK in 1986. He subsequently served as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Engineer in NSSPL, before being promoted to Chief Engineer (Marine) Officer in 1988. Mr Husain left NSSPL in 1992. Prior to joining MPA, Mr Husain held positions in several maritime companies, including Navix Marine (Singapore) Pte Ltd, International Maritime Carrier and GASINDO.