

**Department of Information & Publicity
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**COMMISSIONER FOR NRI AFFAIRS CONDOLES DEATH OF VICE ADMIRAL JOHN C.
DE SILVA**

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Adv. Narendra K. Sawaikar, Commissioner for NRI Affairs and Ex-Officio Chairman of the General Body of the Overseas Employment Agency of Goa along with Shri Anthony J. D'Souza, Director for NRI Affairs / Member Secretary of Overseas Employment Agency of Goa, Members of the Overseas Employment Agency of Goa and Staff of Home Department (NRI Cell), Government of Goa mourn the sad demise of Vice Admiral John C. De Silva PVSM, AVSM (Retd) and convey their deepest condolences to his bereaved family.

Vice Admiral John C. De Silva PVSM, AVSM (retd), was the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Overseas Employment Agency of Goa. He was born on September 18, 1943. After completing his studies at St. Paul's School, Belgaum and RL Science Institute, Belgaum, he joined the National Defence Academy in July 1960 and was later commissioned into the Indian Navy. He was a Gunnery and Missiles specialist.

Vice Admiral De Silva was a graduate of the Royal Military College of Science, U.K. and also alumnus of the Naval War College, Rhode Island, USA. He was promoted to Vice Admiral in 1997 as the Navy's Controller of Warship Production and Acquisition. He was appointed as Vice Chief of the Naval Staff in January, 2002. He retired from Naval services on September 30, 2003 on superannuation after over 43 years in uniform.

Vice Admiral DeSilva was decorated by the President of India with the Param Vishist Seva Medal in 2001 and with the Ati Vishist Seva Medal in 1993.

Vice Admiral DeSilva was appointed as Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Overseas Employment Agency of Goa on 26/02/2007 by the Government of Goa on honorary basis and continued to serve until his sad demise.

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