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ONE NAVAL OFFICER DIED IN MISHAP AT SEA

Lt Cdr Firdaus D Moghal, Executive Officer of Indian Naval Submarine Shankush died in an accident at sea off Mumbai in the forenoon hours today.

The submarine on a planned exercise had developed a defect which necessitated the maintenance crew to come out on the casing and attempt repairs. Whilst coming out for effecting repairs, the maintenance team was washed overboard due to very rough sea state.

A team of 05 officers and sailors led by the Executive Officer Lt Cdr Firdaus started the rescue operations immediately and managed to recover all the sailors who were washed overboard. During the operation, Lt Cdr Firdaus was also washed overboard and suffered concussions on his forehead. He was subsequently rescued by a helicopter which was dispatched from INS Shikra (Naval Air Station) at Mumbai. The officer was administered First Aid in the helicopter, but could not be revived. The post mortem report has indicated death by drowning due to an injury.

The officer was commissioned on 01 Jan 1998 and is survived by Mrs. Kerzinn and a two year old baby boy.