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REAR ADMIRAL SARMA TO HEAD SOUTHERN NAVAL COMMAND

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Rear Admiral Sree Harilal Sarma, Director General, Naval Dockyard Expansion Scheme, Bombay, has been appointed Flag Officer Commanding Southern Naval Area, Cochin. He takes over from Rear Admiral E.C. Kuruvila who has been appointed the Chairman and Managing Director of the Mazagon Dock, Bombay.

Rear Admiral Sarma had earlier served as Flag Officer Commanding, Eastern Fleet. Flying his flag in INS VIKRANT, he was responsible for all operations of the Eastern Fleet in the Bay of Bengal during the Indo-Pak war in December 1971. He was awarded the Param Vishisht Seva Medal for distinguished service of a most exceptional order.

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