

APPENDIX 6

SECTOR COMMANDS ESTABLISHED BY BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT JULY 1971

- Sector 1 Chittagong, Chittagong Hill Tracts and Noakhali.
Major Ziaur Rahman was the commander till Z Brigade was raised later in the month when Major Rafiqul Islam took over the command.
- Sector 2 Comilla, Noakhali, Faridpur and Dacca.
Major Khaled Mosharraf was the commander till K Brigade was raised in October when Major Abu Salek Choudhury replaced him.
- Sector 3 Brahmanbaria, Maulvibazar, Naranyanganj and Keraniganj areas.
Major K. M. Shafiullah was the commander till S Brigade was raised in September when Major Nuruzzaman took over command.
- Sector 4 Sylhet and Habiganj.
Major C. R. Dutta was the commander.
- Sector 5 Northern part of Sylhet.
Major Shaukat Ali was the commander.
- Sector 6 Rangpur and Dinajpur.
Wing Commander K. M. Bashir was the commander.
- Sector 7 Rajshahi, Pabna, Bogra and Dinajpur.
Major Najmul Huq was the commander. Upon his death Major Qazi Nuruzzaman took over command.
- Sector 8 Kushtia, Jessore, Khulan, Barisal and Patuakhali.
Major Osman Chaudhury was the commander for a while. Then it was taken over by Major A. Manzoor who escaped from Pakistan in late July.
- Sector 9 Parts of Barisal, Patuakhali, Khulna and Faridpur.
Barisal and Patuakhali were excluded from sector 7 shortly after July. Major M. A. Jalil was the commander.
- Sector 10 Naval unit.
Flight Lieutenant Ahmed Reza was appointed as its commander on 21 June. During operations they would be under the area command. In all 178 naval commandos formed this sector.
- Sector 11 Tangail and Mymensingh.
Major M. A. Taher was in command till he was disabled in mid-November when Squadron Leader Hamidullah took over command.

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