Indo-Portuguese maritime history is relatively a new field of study. Portugal was the first European power to dominate the Eastern seas by bringing under their control key eastern trading ports like Ormuz, Malacca and Goa. Ormuz and Malacca slipped out from their hands but Goa continued to be an important port of the Portuguese in the East. The Portuguese naval operations at this port merits a detailed study on account of the role it played in the consolidation of their power in the Orient. The present work probes into various issues relating to the Portuguese shipping and shipbuilding operations in Goa from 1510 - 1780.

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