

# Tarapore wins ISS Match Race qualifier



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**F**ILLED with surprise endings world seeded 72, Farokh Tarapore's team defeated world seeded 40, Cdr R. Mahesh's team in the final round of the ISS Mumbai International Match Race '09 Qualifiers.

With six wins in hand for the day, Tarapore sailed passed the latter team to clinch the Gold medal at the qualifier for the MIMR which is an International Sailing federation grade 3 event. The French team led by Skipper Morvan won the bronze medal winning the sail off for third position, and

fourth position went to Korea's Byeong Ki Park. The French also appear in good form for the upcoming events.

Action-packed and ready for anything, the players were pursuing a close race throughout the event. The intensity of the top performers was magnified with good winds in the later half of the day. "Today's winds were slightly flunky but they changed from land to sea breeze quickly enough for the show to go on without a minute's breather," says Chairman and Managing Director of Westcoast Marine, Aashim Mongia, whose team came in seventh for the qualifier's. ■