SMIT SUMATERA / SMIT BELAIT



The sisterships **SMIT SUMATERA** and the **SMIT JAVA** were build at the Sin Koon Seng yard in Singapore during 1982 / 1983, very soon the **SMIT JAVA** was renamed in **SMIT BELAIT** this in view of a long term charter in Serawak.



This 2 vessel are Multi-purpose vessels, powered by 2 Stork Werkspoor 8 FHD240 diesels which develop 3120 hp in total good for a speed of 12,5 knots free running and 40 tons bollard pull are in use with SMIT Singapore for mostly salvage and other related operations at present, The **Smit Belait** was for many years working for UNOCAL in Thailand, during that time her baseport was Songhkla.

The vessel can be recognized easily because they have only one funnel which is located on Port side of the vessel with a fire fighting platform on top, on Starboard the vessel is equipped with a crane with a capacity of 2 tons at a radius of 12 meter and a workboat, this equipment makes the vessel very versatile

The vessels measuring a length of 42 mtr, beam of 11.4 mtr and a depth of 5.0 mtr, with a GRT 622 ton and a NRT of 186 ton.

The vessel is further equipped with a waterfall winch, which consist of 1 towing drum with a break of 150 ton and 1 anchor handling drum with 100 ton stall and 150 ton brake capacity, the vessel is equipped with a stern roller and 1 Karmoy stopper pin.



Top: The SMIT SUMATERA working offshore Dahej (India) during April 2003





Top: The **SMIT BELAIT** during the long term charter for UNOCAL in Thailand assisting a tanker at the SBM buoy

Left: A water painting made by the Dutch painter Ronald van Rikxoort shows the SMIT BELAIT in action in the Gulf of Thailand.

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