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Table 1- Programmes conducted by NETFISH during APRIL 2010

Sl. No.	State/Region	Landing centre Quality	Conservation/ Sustainable fishing	On board	Pre-processing	Aqua farm	Dry fish awareness	Street-plays	Medical Camps	Harbour / coastal Clean up	Procession / Rally	School Programmes	Door to door programme	Mass Communication	Other special programmes	Total	Financial Year Total (Till Date)
1	Kollam (Kerala)															0	0
2	Cochin (Kerala)	4	4													8	8
3	Karnataka & Goa	7														7	7
4	Maharashtra	1	2		2		1									6	6
5	Gujarat	5	1													6	6
6	Tuticorin- TN	6														6	6
7	Chennai - TN	7	4													11	11
8	Andhra Pradesh															0	0
9	Orissa	7														7	7
10	West Bengal	1	4		3	4		4			1	1				18	18
	April Break up	38	15	0	5	4	1	4	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	69	69
	Breakup Till Date	38	15	0	5	4	1	4	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	69	

Activities of NETFISH in APRIL 2010

NETFISH has stepped in to the new financial year with some modifications in its programme strategies. For this year only a few areas were selected in each state for the NETFISH activities and repeated extension programmes will be conducting at these areas until achieving the desired outcomes. The problems at these selected areas were identified and the programmes were planned accordingly. A Programme calendar for the whole year was also prepared for each region. The extension programmes for the fiscal year started by the end of April and during the month altogether 69 programmes, comprising of 63 regular programmes and 6 special programmes, were conducted for the beneficiaries. Table1 shows the list of various programmes organized at different regions during the month. The state wise descriptions of the programmes are as follow.

West Bengal

In West Bengal NETFISH conducted 18 numbers of programmes during April 2010. Of this 12 were regular training programmes comprised of 1 landing centre quality programme, 4 conservation programmes, 3 pre-processing trainings and 4 aquafarm programmes. The remaining 6 were special programmes which included 4 street play shows in one day, 1 rally and 1 school programme. The NGO member Sarboday Sangha and Science Association of Bengal associated in conducting 15 programmes and the remaining 3 programmes were conducted directly by NETFISH. The conservation and quality programmes were organised in and around Digha Landing Centre. The pre-processing programmes were conducted at the selected pre-processing centres in North 24 Parganas with Shri B. K. Munshi, Retd.Asst.Director, EIA as the resource person. The awareness programmes on Hygienic harvest of aquaculture shrimps were conducted at the selected aquafarms in North 24 Parganas and Purba

Medinipur. Shri Indradeep Chakraborty, FEO, Govt. of West Bengal, Shri Tarun Kumar Giri, Asst. Director of Fisheries (Brackish water), Shri Jagadish Mandol, Asst. Fisheries Officer, Govt. of West Bengal attended the various aquafarm programmes and delivered talk on good culture practices, registration of farms under CAA, abuse of antibiotics and its test through MPEDA's ELISA lab.

The one day street play included 4 shows on Conservation of fish resources & Sustainable fishing and Fish Quality Management at the selected places of Purba Medinipur. The School programme arranged at Digha D.L Siksha Sadan dealt with Conservation of fish resources & Sustainable fishing and Fish Quality Management. A Motor Cycle Rally displaying NETFISH banners and posters was also arranged from Digha to Bajkul on 25th April'10, to create awareness on water resources and its conservation, pollution of sea and coast line etc. The programme was organized by Sarboday Sangha in collaboration with "Water for People" and "West Bengal Gandhi Peace Foundation".

On 26th April'10 a meeting was held with Dr. Madhumita Mukherjee, Director In-charge, Dept. of Fisheries, Govt. of West Bengal and Smt. P S Umadevi, Dy. Director, MPEDA at the Directorate, Salt Lake during which NETFISH activities, MPEDA schemes, farm registration under CAA etc. were discussed. Dr. Mukherjee extended all sorts of help to NETFISH from his department.

Orissa

The extension training programmes in Orissa for the month consisted of 7 fish quality management programmes. The fishermen at Bahabalapur, Balaramgadi and Chilika region were targeted and they were made aware of hygienic handling, personal hygiene and sanitation practices. The 5 programmes at Chilika region were organised through RPRDS and the programmes at Bahabalapur and Balaramgadi were organised through SRMSS.

Tamil Nadu

Altogether 17 training programmes were arranged in Tamilnadu. At Tuticorin region 6 extension programmes on fish quality management were conducted for the fisherfolk in and around Tuticorin Fishing harbour. A meeting was held with Mr. Rengaraju, newly joined JD, State Fisheries, Tuticorin. NETFISH activities were explained to him and he expressed his willingness to conduct joined extension programmes with NETISH. It was decided to conduct programmes utilising the extension van of state fisheries department, equipped with LCD projector, Screen, DVD player, Lap-top, generator etc. NETFISH posters, leaflets, documentaries, street plays etc. will be displayed during this programmes.

Along Chennai region, at Kasimedu, Pazhaiyar and Nagapattinam areas, altogether 11 programmes were conducted. This included 7 fish quality management programmes and 4 conservation programmes.

Kasimedu Fishing Harbour: Total 5 programs on Hygienic handling of Fishes in landing centre and Conservation and sustainable fishing were conducted in the harbour premises with the aid of documentary films and leaflets. 3 programs were conducted by GAIA International organization on Hygienic handling of fishes and two programs were conducted by State coordinator on hygienic handling of Fishes and conservation. During the programs fishermen demanded for repairing the INCOIS electronic digital board for getting details about Potential Fishing Zone everyday. This matter is discussed with Dr. Nammalwar who is handling INCOIS project in Chennai region and meantime the arrangements are made to give the information directly to the Fishermen Association by phone everyday by MSSRF, Chennai from June onwards.

Pazhaiyar Fishing Harbour: 2 programs were conducted on hygienic handling of fishes and conservation and sustainable fishing by MSSRF.

Fishermen are more interested in maintaining harbour neat and clean and are demanding for dust bins for waste collection in the auction hall.

Nagapattinam Fishing Harbour: 4 programmes were conducted with the help of documentary films, leaflets and posters in this harbour by MSSRF of which 2 programmes were on Quality and 2 programmes on conservation.

Kerala

Along the northern part of Kerala, at Munambam and Munakkakadavu area, 8 extension programmes were conducted during April 2010. It included 4 fish quality programmes and 4 conservation programmes. The harbours were monitored at regular intervals. A meeting of Munambam harbour management society was held and discussed various future developments for improving the hygienic conditions in the harbour. The renovation work of drainage and auction hall platforms and floors are in progress. The conditions at Munakkakadavu harbour has also improved to considerable extend. The harbour is well facilitated with proper toilets, drinking water, compound wall etc. The use of bamboo baskets has also changed to plastic baskets.

Towards the Southern part of Kerala only monitoring, meetings and discussions were carried out during the month. Thoppumpady harbour was monitored at regular intervals and a meeting was held with Chief Engineer, HED to discuss the upgradation of the harbour. As instructed by the Chairman, MPEDA, the construction of common PPC at Ambalappuzha is been monitored on alternate days and the progress in work is reported to Chairman. The hygiene and sanitation at the peeling sheds in Aroor regions were monitored. The cleanliness at Thoppumpady fisheries harbour was ensured and other arrangements were made during the USFDA visit to the harbor. In connection with the visit of Mr. Sumanta Choudhary, Joint Secretary, MoCI, necessary

arrangements were made at Ambalappuzha PPC, Thoppumpady harbor and peeling sheds at Aroor. A review meeting was held with the NGOs in presence of AD, SRO, Kollam to discuss and plan NETFISH activities for the fiscal year.

Karnataka & Goa

In Karnataka 7 extension programmes on fish quality management were conducted through the NGO member Snehakunja Trust. The programmes were at Mangalore(1), Malpe(3), Honnavar(1) and Karwar(2) fishing harbours. The harbours were monitored for identifying the various existing problems. Shortage of fresh water at these harbours was found affecting the regular cleaning activities.

Maharashtra

NETFISH conducted 6 regular extension programmes in Maharashtra during the month which comprised of 2 conservation programmes, 1 fish quality management programme, 2 pre-processing trainings and 1 dry fish programme. At Sasson Dock region one pre-processing programme was arranged through JanShikshan Sanstha, Raigad and the rest of the programmes were at Ratnagiri region through JanShikshan Sanstha, Sindhudurg. Documentary films are shown and leaflets are explained and distributed among participants in the extension training programs. Posters are distributed among Fishermen Societies.

Gujarat

During the month a total of 6 extension training programmes were organised in Gujarat which consisted of 5 fish quality management programmes and 1 conservation programme. 2 programmes each were arranged at Veraval, Porbandar and Vanakbara regions. A meeting was held with Mr. V.K. Sukhla, Superintendent of Fisheries, Veraval at his office along with DD and AD MPEDA, Veraval. The issues regarding upgradation of Veraval harbour to EU standards were discussed in the meeting. A plan and estimate

has already been prepared and sent to Commissioner of fisheries, Gandhinagar for tendering. The installation of chill room and tube ice facilities in the harbour is under progress.
