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Table 1- Programmes conducted by NETFISH during June 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)	6	5		7					1				3		22	41
2	Cochin (Kerala)	8	8											3		19	50
3	Karnataka & Goa	5	16													21	40
4	Maharashtra	7	9		2	2	1					2				23	39
5	Gujarat	2	2													4	25
6	Tuticorin- TN	25														25	52
7	Chennai – TN	11	3													14	41
8	Andhra Pradesh	7	5		2	1	2									17	33
9	Orissa		10	18												28	41
10	West Bengal	6	7		2	6		4				1				26	70
June Break-up		77	65	18	13	9	3	4	0	1	0	3	0	6	0	199	432
Breakup Till Date		200	129	22	27	22	6	12	0	1	1	4	0	6	2	432	

Abbreviations: **FQM**- Fish Quality Management; **Consr.**- Conservation & Sustainable fishing Training; **Ob.**-Onboard Training; **PPC**-Pre-processing Training; **Aqua.**- Aquafarm Training.

Activities of NETFISH in June 2010

In June 2010 NETFISH has conducted 199 extension training programmes which consisted of 185 regular training programmes and 14 special programmes. In addition to this, NETFISH has also taken part in a few meetings, discussions, monitoring works, workshop, seminar etc during the month. A major highlight of the month was the inauguration of the 'Helpline' and propagation of NETFISH messages through mobile phones to fishermen. Table.1 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

Selected Harbour/region	FQM	Consr.	PPC	Aqua	Total
Raidighi		2			2
Kakdwip	2				2
Freserganj	2	2			4
Digha	2	3			5
North 24 Parganas/ Kolkata			2	3	5
Purba Medinipur				3	3
Total	6	7	2	6	21

Table.2 – No: of regular programmes at selected areas during the month

A total of 21 nos. of regular extension training programmes were conducted in June 2010 in West Bengal out of which 6 were Fishermen programmes at different landing centres and fishing harbour on Fish Quality Management and Catch Certificate ; 6 were awareness programmes on Post Harvest Handling of Aquaculture Shrimp and campaign on Pre Harvest Test and farm registration with CAAI/ designated authority; 7 were awareness programmes on Conservation of marine resources and Sustainable Fishing at different fishing villages of Purba Medinipur and South 24 Parganas districts and 2 were training programmes to pre-processing workers on Hygiene and sanitation practices in Preprocessing Centres.

In addition to the regular programmes, one day street play (4 shows) on Conservation of fish resources & Sustainable fishing and Fish Quality Management was organised at the selected places of Purba Medinipur. Also a school programme on Conservation of marine resources & Sustainable Fishing at Chhatri Vidyabhaban, Purba Medinipur was conducted during the month.

Sarboday Sangha and The Science Association of Bengal were the active NGO members associated with NETFISH for conducting the programmes during the

month. The pre-processing trainings were organised directly by NETFISH with Shri B. K. Munshi, Retd. Asst. Director, EIA as the resource person.

To terminate the issue of antibiotic residue in farm raised black tiger shrimps, NETFISH is conducting wide campaign along with MPEDA SRC (Aqua), R.O. and State Fishery Dept. on Farm registration under CAAI/State Fisheries and Pre Harvest Test at North & South 24 Parganas and Purba Medinipur districts. On 15th, 16th, 18th & 29th of June '10, a series of meetings and discussions were held with State fisheries officials, farmers, feed dealers etc. regarding this at Purba Medinipur and North 24 Parganas. MPEDA's subsidy schemes for purchasing insulated fish box for the hygienic transportation of shrimps and the muddy-moldy problem in farm raised shrimps were also discussed during the meetings. On 23rd June' 10 held a meeting with boat owners, aratders (buying agent) at Raidighi regarding Catch certificate and related problems.

Orissa

Selected Harbour	Consr.	Ob.	Total
Chilka	10	1	11
Balaramgadi		9	9
Bahabalapur		8	8
Total	10	18	28

Table.3 – No: of regular programmes at selected areas during the month

In Khurda & Puri districts total 10 nos. of Conservation trainings were conducted through member NGOs- RPRDS and Palishree. The different locations where the programmes conducted were Motta, Baghalanzi, Barakudi, Karimpur, Mudirath, Bhusandpur, Jaganathpur & Jayantpur. At Balaramgadi & Bahabalapur in Balasore district 17 nos. of on-board training programmes were conducted through the NGO- SRMSS. In Puri district one on-board training programme was conducted by RPRDS at Keutakudi, Chilka. As per the discussion, NETFISH & C.D.A's Joint Extension Training Programmes were started from this month at Chilka.

Andra Pradesh

In Andra Pradesh, 17 regular extension programmes were conducted by NETFISH during the month either through the NGO members or directly. The active NGOs for the month were DFYWA, JKWS, APSFDWA & SEARCH who conducted 16 programmes and one programme was conducted directly by the

state co-ordinator. By conducting Conservation and sustainable fishing training programmes at Machelipatnam, Kakinada and Visakhapatnam and Nizampatnam fishing harbour, fishermen at these regions were trained on enhancement and conservation of fishery resource by strictly implementing the closed season, conservation and planting of mangroves etc. The aquafarm training programme organized at Tallarevu, Kakinada of East Godavari district helped Aqua farmers and farm workers in knowing the importance of hygiene and sanitation in farms for producing good quality products for export. The Hygienic way of salt curing and fish drying practices were explained to dry fisher women who participated in the awareness programmes conducted at Kakinada. They were also made aware on using PVC sheet for drying and segregation of fish to avoid contaminations. Awareness on the need of keeping harbours and fish holds clean, use of plastic baskets instead of bamboo baskets etc were given during the fishermen training programmes conducted at Visakhapatnam, Mutyalammalem, Kakinada, Nizampatnam and Machelipatnam fishing harbours. During the month, it was noticed that some motorized boat owners are operating Ring seine nets near the landing centers of Nizampatnam and Kakinada. The matter was discussed with JD Fisheries, Visakhapatnam for further actions.

Selected Harbour	FQM	Consr.	Aqua.	PPC	Dryfish	Total
Visakhapatnam	4	1				5
Kakinada	2	2			2	6
Machilipatnam		1		1		2
Nizampatnam	1	1		1		3
Tallarevu			1			1
Total	7	5	1	2	2	17

Table.4 – No: of regular programmes at selected areas during the month

Sri Sudarsan Rao, JD, Dept of Fisheries, President of VDBOWA and CE, NETFISH attended the training programme conducted for the boat owners on 14.06.10 at the association hall, Fishing harbour, Visakhapatnam. Discussions on fish quality management, formation of harbour management society by the stake holders for improving and maintaining the harbour conditions were held during the programme. On 15.06.10, NGO evaluation meeting was conducted at RO, MPEDA, Vizag in the presence of Mr. Srinadh, AD, RO, MPEDA, Vizag and Dr. Joice V Thomas, CE, NETFISH. Representatives from all the 4 NGO members attended the meeting. The activities for the year 2009-10 was analysed and the

future programmes for the year 2010-11 were discussed in the meeting. The NGOs were instructed to conduct repeated training programmes at the selected areas to produce a better outcome. On 15.06.10 one of the leading TV news channel (TV9) recorded the programme organised at Vishakhapatnam fishing harbour which detailed the need of replacing bamboo baskets with plastic baskets and the comparative analysis of hygienic standards maintained at other harbours in the country. Mr. Satyanarayana Murthy, President, VDBOWA and Dr. Joice V Thomas, CE, NETFISH attended the programme. On 16.06.10 CE, NETFISH visited the Nizampatnam fishing harbour and attend the meeting with the boat owners. It was suggested to utilize the existing facilities by forming a self management body in the harbour. On 29.06.10 SCO had a meeting with NFDB consultants and the officials of Dept of Fisheries regarding up-gradation of Nizampatnam fishing harbour using NFDB funds.

Tamil Nadu

	Selected Harbour	FQM	Consr.	Total
Chennai region	Nagapattinam	4	2	6
	Cuddalore	4		4
	Kasimedu	3	1	4
	Total	11	3	14
Tuticorin region	Tuticorin	3		3
	Mallipattinam	9		9
	Mandapam	9		9
	Chinnamuttam	4		4
	Total	25		25

Table.5 – No: of regular programmes at selected areas during the month

Along Chennai region, 14 nos. of extension training programmes were conducted during the month. At Kasimedu Fishing Harbour 3 programs on Hygienic handling of Fishes in landing centre and Onboard and one program on Conservation and sustainable fishing were conducted by GAIA International organization. Total 6 programmes (4 programs on Fish Quality Management and 2 programs on conservation) were conducted by MSSRF in fishing villages around Nagapattinam Fishing Harbour by making use of NETFISH documentary films, Pamphlets and posters. In Cuddalore Fishing Harbour 4 programmes on Hygienic handling of fishes were conducted by SOHES. In connection with the Spanish team visit to Kasimedu Fishing harbour, regular monitoring of the hygienic and other conditions at the harbour was done. A series of meetings and discussions were held with Deputy Chief

Engineer, Chennai Port Trust, AD (Marine), AD (Harbour Management), Boat Owner's Association President etc. regarding the cleaning of the harbour.

At places in and around Tuticorin, Chinnamuttam, Mandapam and Mallipattinam harbours NETFISH conducted 25 training programmes for fishermen during the month. Apart from the training programmes, NETFISH took part in the one day workshop on "Responsible Fisheries" at Fisheries College and Research Institute, Tuticorin. Dr. P.Thangaraj, Vice- Chancellor, Tamilnadu Veterinary and animal Science University, Chennai presided the function and Dr. Aruna Basu Sarkar, Chief Wild Life Warden and Director, Gulf of Mannar Bioserve Trust, Ramanathapuram, Ramanathapuram attended as the Chief Guest. Dr.M.C. Nandeesh, newly joined Dean, FCRI, Tuticorin welcomed the gathering of faculty members and fisherfolks. NETFISH leaflets were distributed to the participants and the posters on Conservation and Hygiene were displayed in the workshop. The state co-ordinator gave a lecture on Responsible Fishing, Hygienic Handling of Fish and Conservation to the gatherings.

In connection with MPEDA Chairman's visit to Tuticorin, the Tuticorin Fishing Harbour was visited daily in order to keep the harbour clean and also supervised the work of the Engineering Wing of the State Fisheries department of the two Auction halls.

Kerala

	Selected Harbour	FQM	Consr.	PPC	Total
Northern region	Beypore/Puthiyappa	8	8		16
	Total	8	8		16
Southern region	Thoppumpady	2			2
	Ambalappuzha/ Arattupuzha		1	5	6
	Aroor			2	2
	Neendakara/ Sakthikulangara	2	4		6
	Vizhinjam	2			2
	Total	6	5	7	18

Table.6 – No: of regular programmes at selected areas during the month

Special programmes including mike announcements, cleaning, supervisions, etc were conducted at Munambam harbour continuously for four days as part of the visit of Spanish delegates to the harbour. The Spanish team, during their visit, highly appreciated the conditions prevailing in the harbour. The NETFISH team including CE, Sco, RA's and FO's along with the harbour management society inspector

worked hard to keep the harbour in good condition during their visit. The good response and co-operation received from the fishermen was also highly appreciable. The Munambam harbour management society met once during the month to discuss the various issues regarding the further improvements of the harbour.

At Thoppumpady harbour, in connection with Spanish Team visit, special mass communication programmes were arranged continuously for three days. Mike announcements on hygiene and fish quality management were done continuously during the working hours at the harbour. A harbour clean-up programme was also conducted as part of the visit. As a result of these programmes the Spanish team was well satisfied with the conditions in the harbour.

The regular monitoring of work progress of Ambalappuzha CPC has been carried out and the reports were submitted to Chairman MPEDA. The CPC work site at Shakthikulangara was visited along with Chairman MPEDA and also attended the meeting arranged by Matsyafed.

On 25th June 2010, NETFISH arranged a seminar in association with IFFCO Kisan Sanchar Limited (IKSL) and Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) at Njarakkal for the fishermen and peeling workers. The seminar was organised as part of the inauguration of NETFISH's new venture for reaching fisherfolks through mobile. As per the MoU signed with IKSL, the fisherfolks will be provided with free Greencard mobile connection by which they will receive 5 free voice calls on fish quality management, sustainable fishing, fishery conservation and other related topics on daily basis in Malayalam. They can also listen to the last five voice messages anytime by call back facility. A NETFISH helpline was also inaugurated on the occasion. The customers can make use of the helpline number to clear any queries regarding fisheries and allied matters. The seminar session was lead by NETFISH state co-ordinators who gave very informative lectures on topics such as hygienic handling of fishes, personal hygiene, marine conservation and sustainable fishing. NETFISH leaflets were distributed among the participants. Also they were given free green card mobile connections by IKSL.

Karnataka & Goa

As a result of NETFISH's regular training programmes, in Karwar fishing harbour both the male and female fishers have started cleaning the harbour voluntarily. They also gave assurance that during the next fishing season they will give full co-operation in this respect.

Selected Harbour	FQM	Consr.	Total
Mangalore	1	5	6
Malpe	1	5	6
Karwar	2	4	6
Honnavar		1	1
Malim	1	1	2
Total	5	16	21

Table.7 – No: of regular programmes at selected areas during the month

The SCO attended a meeting conducted by Snehakunja Trust and AD fisheries, at Honnavar fishing harbour for the formation of cleaning committee in the harbour. Representatives from merchants, fishers associations, agents and fish workers attended the meeting. Shri G.T. Naik, AD fisheries informed that Rs. 4 crores is sanctioned for the construction of new auction hall. He urged all the fishers and merchants to join hand in keeping harbour and its premises clean. SCO explained about NETFISH activities in the region and importance of a clean landing centre. All the fishers present were agreed to form a new committee for the harbour cleanliness.

Maharashtra

Selected Harbour	FQM	Consr.	PPC	Aqua.	Dryfish	Total
Ratnagiri	2	3			1	6
Sasson Dock	5	6	2			13
Raigad				2		2
Total	7	9	2	2	1	21

Table.8 – No: of regular programmes at selected areas during the month

NETFISH in Maharashtra conducted total 21 nos. of regular programs and 02 school programs during June 2010. JSS, Sindhudurg conducted 6 nos. of regular programs in Ratnagiri area and JSS, Raigad conducted 13 regular and 2 school programs in Sasson dock and nearby area. The Aquaculture programmes were conducted by NETFISH directly.

A meeting was arranged with Mr. Suryavanshi, Chief Engineer, Mumbai Port Trust and Deputy Director, MPEDA to discuss regarding status of up-gradation process of Sasson dock fishing harbour. Chief Engineer, MbPT informed that the MbPT has already submitted an estimate of Rs.8 crore to the Ministry which was returned for some modification. The revised proposal was prepared and the present estimate prepared is around Rs.15 crore which will be forwarded immediately to the Ministry for sanction. He also expressed his willingness to entrust the responsibility of management of the fishing harbour to other agencies like stakeholders, Department

of Fisheries, Govt. of Maharashtra, etc. The Additional Chief Engineer intimated that the Detailed Project Report (DPR) will be forwarded to the MPEDA, Regional office within a week. Another meeting was held with Chairman of Supplier's Association, Sasson dock along with Deputy Director, MPEDA. Also discussion were made with boat owners in Sasson dock area during which the importance of insulated boxes to maintain the quality of catch and the subsidy scheme of MPEDA for purchasing insulated box were explained. Some of the boat owners showed willingness to take benefit of Insulated boxes subsidy scheme.

Gujarat

Selected Harbour	FQM	Consr.	Total
Nargol	2	2	4
Total	2	2	4

Table.9 – No: of regular programmes at selected areas during the month

Only 4 training programmes were conducted during June in West-Bengal. The programmes were at Dholai-Nargol Landing centre in association with the NGO BWRC. The removal of a member NGO from conducting NETFISH programmes and the poor health of the state co-ordinator has affected the smooth conduction of programmes during the month, as per schedule. Also in Vanakbara, the fishermen association is not co-operating with the programmes as a sign of protest against MPEDA for not availing subsidy for renovation of Ice plant to an owner who is the head of fishermen association. The problem was discussed with DD R.O Veraval and he informed that he had already taken the issue with H.O development section to suggest some other alternative in the place of RCC roofing for ice plant.
