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**Table 1- Programmes conducted by NETFISH during December 2011**

Sl. No:	State/Region	Regular Programmes						Special Programmes								Total	Financial Year Total (till date)	
		Landing Centre - Quality	Conservation	On board	Pre-processing	Aqua farm	Dry fish	Street-plays	Medical Camps	Harbour/coastal clean-ups	Procession / Rally	School programme	Door to door programme	Mass communications	Other special programmes			
1	Kerala - South	3	5		13			10									31	241
2	Kerala - North	11	11	2										2			26	266
3	Karnataka/Goa	12	9				1										22	221
4	Maharastra	5	7	5	2		7	10									36	226
5	Gujarat	4	5	2	7		1										19	221
6	TN- South	10	6				8										24	219
7	TN- North		28	2			2										32	165
8	Andhra Pradesh	3	6		3	3		20									35	212
9	Odisha	5	7	8	2	1	1		4								28	237
10	West Bengal	6		5	4		4	4				1					24	266
	<b>December Break-up</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>277</b>	<b>2274</b>
	<b>Break-up Total</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>36</b>		<b>2274</b>	

**Abbreviations:** **FQM**- Fish Quality Management; **Consr.**- Conservation & Sustainable fishing Training; **Ob.T**-Onboard Training; **PPC**-Pre- processing Training; **Aqua.**- Aquafarm Training; **Df**- Dry fish awareness; **Spl.Pgm**-Special programme

## Activities of NETFISH during December 2011

In December 2011, NETFISH organized 277 awareness programmes which included 226 regular extension awareness classes, 44 street play shows, 4 medical camps, 1 school programme and 2 mass communication programmes. Table.1 shows the list of various extension programmes organized at different regions during the month. The state wise details of the programmes are as follows.

### West Bengal

Selected Harbour/region	FQM	Ob.T	PPC	DF	Spl.Pgm.	Total
Kakdwip	1	1				2
Fraserganj	2	1		2		5
Digha	1					1
North 24 Parganas/Kolkata			4			4
Purba Medinipur	2	2		2	5	11
South 24 Parganas		1				1
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>24</b>

**Table.2 – No: of programmes conducted in West Bengal during the month**

NETFISH activities for the month in West Bengal included 19 regular awareness classes, 4 street play shows and 1 school programme. The school programme was organized at Nachinda J.K High School in Purba Medinipur and the street plays were performed in one day at various aquaculture pockets in Purba Medinipur district. Awareness on various MPEDA subsidy schemes was also given to the stakeholders during the training classes. On 15<sup>th</sup> December the state coordinator attended a Farmers meet at Matia Matsya Arat at Matia, North 24 Parganas on "Organic Shrimp Farming" which was organized by MPEDA, SRC (Aqua), Kolkata. About 100 farmers attended the programme. State Coordinator of NETFISH briefly described on "Status of shrimp farming in West Bengal and scope for development of organic aquaculture". On 19<sup>th</sup> December the state coordinator attended a Farmers meet organized by *Ektarpur Samabai Krishi Unnayan Samity Limited* at Ektarpur, Bhupatinagar, Purba Medinipur. About 130 aqua farmers of the organization participated in the programme. NETFISH State Coordinator highlighted on hygienic handling of cultured shrimps, abuse of antibiotics, muddy moldy smell problem of aqua shrimps, PHT certificate etc. NETFISH documentary film on 'Hygienic harvesting of shrimps in Aquafarms' was also shown in the programme.

## Odisha

Selected Harbour/region	FQM	Consr.	Ob.T	PPC	Aqua	Df	Spl Pgm	Total
Chilka		3	4				4	11
Dhamara			1					1
Paradeep				2				2
Bahabalapur	5	2	2			1		10
Balaramgadi		2	1		1			4
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>28</b>

**Table.3 – No: of programmes conducted in Odisha during the month**

NETFISH conducted 24 regular programmes and 4 medical camps in Odisha during the month. The medical camps were organized around Chilka area and the programme covered 100 numbers of fishermen including their families. Blood grouping of all the attendees were done and each person is provided with a blood grouping card. Accordingly a blood group register was maintained for each fishermen villages covered. On 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of the month NETFISH attended 3 joint awareness training programmes arranged by state fisheries in Balaramgadi and Bahabalapur Landing Centres and Dhamara Fishing Harbour respectively. Both fish quality and conservation subjects were covered in the programme. At Paradeep fishing harbour a discussion was held with the state fisheries officials, trawler owner association members, etc regarding the harbour show to be organized during January 2012. A discussion was held with Fishfed about the need to improve the sanitary and hygienic condition of Bahabalapur landing centre.

## Andhra Pradesh

Selected Harbour/region	FQM	Consr.	PPC	Aqua	Spl.Pgm.	Total
Visakhapatnam	2	2			10	14
Kakinada					10	10
Machilipatnam	1	4	3			8
Narsapuram				3		3
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>35</b>

**Table.4 – No: of programmes conducted in Andhra Pradesh during the month**

In Andhra Pradesh, NETFISH conducted 15 regular extension programmes and 20 street plays during December. The aquafarm programmes were conducted for the 3 societies formed by NaCSA and the Field Manager of NaCSA also attended the programme. On 10<sup>th</sup> December, a meeting was arranged with the Dry fisher societies of Visakhapatnam fishing harbour in

which, they were asked to make use of the area provided recently by Visakhapatnam Port Trust for fish drying. On 15<sup>th</sup>, a discussion was held with the JD and AD of State Fisheries regarding EIA approval for Visakhapatnam and Kakinada fishing harbours and handed over the water sample test report by EU approved laboratory. Meetings were arranged with the State fishery officials to discuss about the Insulated boxes subsidy scheme of MPEDA. On 24<sup>th</sup> December, a discussion was held with the Fibre Boat owner's society of Campbell pet flc of Machilipatnam and explained the scheme formed for the construction of insulated fish hold for fibre boat and gave the format for advance approval. 10 boat owners have come forward to make use of the scheme to keep the quality of their catch. On 26<sup>th</sup>, a discussion was arranged with the local fish traders for avoiding the use of small bamboo baskets.

### Tamil Nadu

	Selected Harbour	FQM	Consr.	Ob.T	Df	Aqua	Total
<b>North</b>	<b>Pazhaiyar</b>				2		<b>2</b>
	<b>Kasimedu</b>		18	2			<b>20</b>
	<b>Cuddalore</b>		7				<b>7</b>
	<b>Nagapattinam</b>		3				<b>3</b>
	<b>Total</b>		<b>28</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>32</b>
<b>South</b>	<b>Mandapam</b>	8					<b>8</b>
	<b>Chinnamuttam</b>	2	6				<b>8</b>
	<b>Thanjavur</b>					8	<b>8</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>			<b>8</b>	<b>24</b>

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

Along Northern Tamilnadu NETFISH conducted 32 regular extension training programmes through NGOs. A meeting was arranged with Ikkiya panchayth at Kasimedu regarding a cleanup programme to be conducted in the harbour and also sought their cooperation for maintaining the auction area at the harbour neat and clean.

In Tuticorin region NETFISH organized 24 extension training programmes in the month of December. On 5<sup>th</sup> December, in a meeting with AD of fisheries and AE of Harbour Engineering division discussions were held on preparation of proposal for the development of Tuticorin harbour and also collected the details regarding construction of Tube Ice plant room. A discussion was held with EE &

AE regarding the construction of Tube ice plant room and modernization of auction hall in Chinnamuttam fishing harbour.

## Kerala

	Selected Harbour	FQM	Consr.	Ob.T	PPC	Spl. Pgm	Total
North	<b>Beypore/Puthiyappa</b>	5	5				<b>10</b>
	<b>Munakkakadavu</b>	1	1	1			<b>3</b>
	<b>Valapattanam</b>	3	3	1			<b>7</b>
	<b>Ponnani</b>	1	1				<b>2</b>
	<b>Munambam</b>	1	1			2	<b>4</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>26</b>
South	<b>Thoppumpady</b>	1	2				<b>3</b>
	<b>Ambalappuzha</b>				6		<b>6</b>
	<b>Aroor</b>				2		<b>2</b>
	<b>Arattupuzha /Thottappally</b>	1	3			5	<b>9</b>
	<b>Sakthikulangara /Neendakara</b>	1			5	5	<b>11</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>31</b>

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

A total of 31 programmes were conducted during December in the selected areas of southern parts of Kerala, which included 21 regular programmes and 10 street play shows. During the training programme at Arattupuzha and Thrikkunnappuzha coastal villages fishermen requested NETFISH to take necessary initiative for upgrading the facility in Valiazheekal landing centre. On 14<sup>th</sup> December, a discussion was held with trawl net boat owner's of Thoppumpady regarding the vessel hygiene and requested them to change the wooden material used for the partition of fish hold in the fishing boats with fibre coated material. Since the fibre coating is very costly they asked for MPEDA's financial assistance for the same. Also they have agreed to take necessary steps for preventing the leakage of compounding material to deck side. On 16<sup>th</sup> December, stake holders meeting was conducted at Sakthikulangara harbour to discuss the hygienic condition of harbour and its surroundings. All stake holders' representatives and officials who participated in the meeting unanimously agreed for the need of constitution of a harbour management committee. CPC Ambalapuzha got conditional approval for three months from EIA. Operation of one of the units of CPC Ambalapuzha has started on 5<sup>th</sup> December. On 28<sup>th</sup>, the

state coordinator attended the operations committee meeting of Sakthikulangara CPC.

Along Northern regions of Kerala 26 extension programmes were conducted which included 22 regular programmes and 4 mass communications. In addition, a cleaning programme was conducted at Munambam harbour by engaging 30 numbers of Thozhilurappu Padhathi members. A meeting of boat owner's, harbour vikasana samithi, tharakans and trade unions were conducted at Beypore harbour in order to fix the working hours of loading-unloading workers. The Assistant Executive Engineer of HED was also met to make necessary arrangements for the cleaning of drainage of the Beypore harbour.

### **Karnataka & Goa**

Selected Harbour	FQM	Consr.	Df	Total
<b>Mangalore</b>	5			<b>5</b>
<b>Karwar</b>	2	4		<b>6</b>
<b>Malpe</b>	3	1		<b>4</b>
<b>Honnavar</b>		2		<b>2</b>
<b>Tadri</b>	2		1	<b>3</b>
<b>Malim</b>		2		<b>2</b>
Total	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>22</b>

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

During December 2011, NETFISH conducted 20 extension programmes in Karnataka and 2 programmes in Goa. The State coordinator attended a 3 day workshop on co-management in fisheries organized by College of fisheries, Mangalore and Dakshin Foundation.

Important suggestions made by the fishermen leaders during the workshop are

- a. Increase the ban period to 3 months which should be applied to entire west coast.
- b. Restrict the fishing vessels by not giving license for new vessels.
- c. Reduce the horse power of fishing vessels and do not give permission for higher horse power engines in fishing vessels.
- d. Do not give permission to non fishing communities for fishing since non fishing communities are only interested in profit making and not for conservation of fishery.

A meeting was held with the president of buyers association to discuss regarding uniform for labours. He urged NETFISH to pressurize the workers to wear the uniforms which are provided to some workers and assured that remaining workers will also be provided with uniforms. In Mangalore fishing harbour blockage of drain is often observed due to plastics and thermocols dumped in the drainage. NETFISH made a complaint to the authorities concerned, who cleaned the drainage soon after it.

## Maharashtra

Selected Harbour	FQM	Consr.	Ob.T	PPC	Df	Spl.Pgm	Total
Harne	1	1			2		4
Sasson Dock	2	4		2	1		9
Ratnagiri	2	2	5		4	10	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>36</b>

**Table.8 - No: of programmes at selected areas during the month**

NETFISH activities in Maharashtra consisted of 26 regular programmes and 10 street-play shows. During each and every training programme MPEDA subsidy schemes like fish hold subsidy scheme, insulated fish box scheme, etc were also explained to the beneficiaries. Onboard stickers were pasted on fishing vessels by the state coordinator and NGO resource person. A discussion was held with Dr. Balu Chavan, Associate Professor, MBRS, Ratnagiri who has submitted project to NETFISH on "community based sustainable management and conservation of marine shrimps in mangrove area of Ratnagiri coast in Maharashtra". Also discussion was made with Dr. Pai, Principal Scientist, MBRS, Ratnagiri regarding various issues of conservation of marine resources.

## Gujarat

Selected Harbour	FQM	Consr.	Ob.T	PPC	Df	Total
Mangrol	1					1
Porbandar	1	2		1		4
Dholai /Umersadi	2	1			1	4
Nargol			1			1
Veraval		2	1	6		9
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>

**Table.9 - No: of programmes at selected areas during the month**

During the month NETFISH conducted 19 regular extension training programmes in Gujarat. The state coordinator accompanied the Chairman MPEDA during her visit to Mangrol and Porbandar Fishing Harbours and also attended the meeting with officials of State fisheries department, Boat owners association and Exporters. Delegates from State Fisheries Department of Tamilnadu visited the state to study about the various fisheries and related activities at Veraval, Mangrol, Porbandar and Okha fishing harbours. NETFISH state coordinator accompanied this group and explained the details. As per the instruction of DD, RO Veraval, fishing vessels at Porbandar that have applied for MPEDA registration were verified.

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