

What we can do?

- Never throw the fishing nets, used ropes, buoys, waste oil, and bulbs into the sea



- completely give up poisoning and explosive fishing
- Use square-mesh cod ends in trawls to allow juveniles of finfish escape.
- Minimise the use of stake nets. Stake nets operated in the backwaters for catching juvenile prawns heavily reduces the stock.
- Use selective fishing gears like traps and gill nets
- Never fish endangered species.

RESPONSIBLE FISHING



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What is responsible fishing?

Responsible fishing means fishing with responsibility to ensure long term sustainability of living aquatic resources, with due respect for the ecosystem, biodiversity and environment.

What are irresponsible fishing?

- Polluting the marine environment while fishing
- Destructive fishing practices
- Bycatch and discards
- Juvenile fishing
- Ecosystem damage or destruction while fishing
- Overfishing
- Nonselective fishing

Destructive fishing methods

Ghost fishing- Trapping of marine animals in lost or discarded nets and traps is considered as a leading cause of marine animal deaths each year.

Bycatch and discards - For every 1 kg of shrimp caught 10 kg of trash is discarded by trawlers.

Poisons - The use of poisons to catch fish in coral reef area kills other organisms also.

Explosives - Dynamite fishing kills large amount of fish and other marine organisms.

