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REPORT

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HIGHLIGHT ACTIVITIES

- 1) On the First day, we meet the Fisheries Enumerators assigned in Fisheries refugia project. The team visited Santiago Island, one of the sampling sites of Fisheries Refugia, it is located at Brgy. Binabalian. It was observed that majority if the fisherman used speargun with compressor, and the landed catch mainly composed demersal species.
- 2) During the visit, nine fishing boats landed in the area. A total of 160 kgs. of demersal fishes was landed. *Nasso Lituratus, Siganus virgatus, Scarus rivulatus, Siganus canaliculatus & Scarus ghobban* dominated the catch. It was also observed that the fishing ground of fisherman is adjacent to Santiago Island since the effort of fishing is only five hours.
- 3) On the second day, we had a courtesy call to Mr. Edwin Conti, Technical Consultant of the Mayor's Office of Bolinao. A short meeting was conducted together with the Refugia Management Team. We informed him the purpose of the trip & discussed that the two enumerators assigned in Fisheries Refugia Project is conducting fisheries data collection at two fisheries landing sites in Bolinao namely Arosan and Binalian Labas in Santiago Island.
- 4) After the meeting, the Team visited existing landing sites in Bolinao together with the NSAP Enumerators and Fisheries Refugia Enumerators to observed fish landings in the area. We also distributed additional sampling materials to the Technical Enumerators.

