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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Experts Group Meeting on Port State Measures in Southeast Asia was organized by the SEAFDEC Training Department (TD) in Bangkok, Thailand from 12 to 14 November 2012. The Meeting was attended by representatives from Japan, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam as well as from the SEAFDEC Secretariat, TD, MFRDMD, and other organizations/agencies concerned with Port State Measures. The List of Participants appears as **Annex 1**.

Opening of the Meeting

- 2. The Secretary-General of SEAFDEC, *Dr.Chumnarn Pongsri we*lcomed the participants and thanked them for coming to Bangkok for the Meeting. He explained that the promotion of sustainable fisheries management and countermeasures to reduce and combat IUU fishing is important for the sustainable utilization and long-term conservation of marine living resources for food security. More specifically, he emphasized that by exchanging experiences and ideas, recommendations could be developed in order to come up with the ways and means of promoting Port State Measures as a tool in combating IUU fishing in the region. His Opening Statement appears as **Annex 2**.
- 3. The Deputy Secretary-General of SEAFDEC, *Mr. Kenji Matsumoto* presented the policy and direction of the Japanese Trust Fund (JTF), especially on the JTF projects implemented by SEAFDEC which include the Promotion of Sustainable Fisheries and IUU Fishing Related Countermeasures in Southeast Asia. This project covers three sub-projects, namely: Promotion of Fishing License, Boats Registration and Port State Measures; Promotion of Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) to Combat IUU Fishing in Southeast Asia; and Preventing the Export of IUU Fishing Products. While the first two sub-projects are being implemented by TD, the third is being carried out by MFRDMD. He reiterated that the objectives of the project are: 1) to promote fishing license, boats registration and port state measures, 2) to promote MCS management for sustainable fisheries in the region, 3) to prevent IUU fishing and its products from being exported, and 4) to assist the SEAFDEC member Countries in the application and implementation of IUU fishing related countermeasures. Moreover, he also presented the policy and direction of the implementation of the said project for 2013.

Background and Rationale of the Meeting

- 4. The Project Leader and Head of the Information and Training Division of TD, *Mr. Bundit Chokesanguan* presented the rationale and objectives of the Meeting. He mentioned that the Experts Group Meeting on Port State Measures (PSM) is one of the important activities of the project on Promotion of Sustainable Fisheries and IUU Fishing Related Countermeasures in Southeast Asia which is under the Fisheries Consultative Group/ASEAN-SEAFDEC Strategic Partnership Mechanism and supported by the Japanese Trust Fund. This Experts Group Meeting therefore aims to identify the obstacles encountered by the Member Countries that hinder the implementation of Port State Measures (PSM) and to chart suitable and tangible activities on PSM and other surveillance activities that could be implemented in the region.
- 5. The Agenda of the Meeting together with the arrangements was adopted and shown in **Annex 3**.

II. CURRENT SITUATION OF PORT STATE MEASURES

- 6. The representative from FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, *Dr. Simon Funge-Smith* presented the status of implementation of the 2009 Agreement on Port State Measures (**Annex 4**), and explained the background and rationale of the PSM Agreement focusing on the need to combat IUU fishing. He also explained the regulations on the use of ports, as well as the necessary actions following the inspection at ports.
- 7. He added that the 2009 PSM Agreement contains minimum standards for port States to combat IUU fishing, although States can adopt tougher measures as deemed necessary. He emphasized that the implementation of the Port State Measures Agreement must be underpinned by strong political commitment and would need well-targeted programs for capacity building and institutional strengthening in order that its implementation would be successful.
- 8. The status of the application of Port State Measures in the Southeast Asian region (Annex 5) was presented by *Ms. Poungthong Onoora* from the Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives of Thailand. She provided the results of case studies related to national coordination and implementation of Port State Measures in Thailand, Philippines and Indonesia, including information on annual port calls, number of major fishing ports, legal requirements as well as institutional mechanisms/practices for implementing the FAO PSM Model Scheme. She explained that it is necessary to identify and evaluate national-level mechanisms for the legal and administrative implementation of Port State Measures, assess the strengths and weaknesses in the implementation of the Port State Measures in each country, and develop recommendations on how to overcome the constraints.

III. REVIEW OF THE PROBLEMS AND CHALLENGES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PORT STATE MEASURES IN THE REGION

9. Representatives from the SEAFDEC Member Countries, in-charge of the implementation of Port State Measures in their respective countries, presented the problems and challenges encountered in the implementation of the Port State Measures.

3.1 Malaysia

10. The implementation of Port State Measures in Malaysia (Annex 6) was reported by *Mr. Abdul Rahman bin Abdul Wahab*, representing the Department of Fisheries Malaysia. He explained the current situation of the implementation of PSM in Malaysia taking into consideration the legal frameworks, current practices, and the issues concerning PSM. Specifically, he mentioned that the issues that hinder the implementation of PSM include multiple jurisdictions of ports and multiple authorities on maritime enforcement, *e.g.* the Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA), Malaysian Quarantine and Inspection Services (MAQIS), Lembaga Kemajuan Ikan Malaysia (LKIM) or the Fisheries Development Authority of Malaysia, and the Marine Department; inconsistent interpretation of laws (non-binding nature of the IPOA-IUU) and legal implications to implement RFMOs' measures which Malaysia is not a party to; difficulties in contacting with flag states; and unupdated list of IUU fishing vessels. In order to address this issue, coordination should be enhanced among the various agencies and jurisdictions in the development and promotion of SOPs for the use of Malaysian ports to transship catch by IUU fishing vessels, continuous capacity building for relevant officers and staff, and establishment and implementation of sub-regional and regional fishing vessels record.

3.2 Myanmar

11. The representative from the Department of Fisheries of Myanmar, *Mr. Khin Maung Aye* presented the status of implementation of the Port State Measures in Myanmar (**Annex 7**). There are nine designated ports along the coasts of Myanmar and foreign fishing vessels are required to inform the port authorities at least 7-10 days in advance prior to landing. He also presented the flow chart of the country's catch certification system including the issuance of catch certificates, and ports inspection procedures. He mentioned that the main constraints in the implementation of PSM in Myanmar include inadequate MCS system, deficiencies in communication facilities, long coastal area that could not be covered, lack of port and landing facilities, inadequate knowledge of port officers on international fishing port inspection system and management, and prevalence of poaching by foreign fishing vessels.

3.3 Philippines

12. The Regional Director of the Philippine Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) Region 7, *Mr. Andres M. Bojos* presented the status of implementation of Port State Measures in the Philippines (**Annex 8**). The cited the problems encountered in the implementation of PSM, which include: lack of competent manpower, inadequate monitoring/tracking instruments, and limited networking mechanism. He also presented the expected activities that could address the problems, such as improvement of networking mechanism with other parties in order to share relevant information related to IUU fishing, enhancement of the capability of fishery law enforcement agencies and monitoring centers through training, and improvement of fishing vessel tracking capability through the acquisition of state-of-the-art tracking instruments.

3.4 Singapore

13. The representative from the Fishery Port Division of the Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority of Singapore, *Mr. Adrian Lim* presented the country's perspectives and the challenges in implementing the FAO Agreement on Port State Measures (PSMA) to Combat IUU Fishing (Annex 9). He informed the Meeting on the country's national legislation which deals with Port State Measures including the PSM requirements and status of implementation to date. He added that the main problem of PSM implementation is the multiple agencies and the multi-stakeholders involved in PSM activities. For the successful implementation of PSM, human resources and capacity building should be enhanced including the development of infrastructures necessary for the PSM activities.

3.5 Thailand

14. A review of the problems and challenges in Port State Measures implementation in Thailand (Annex 10) was presented by *Ms. Adhinand Indrapim*, representing the Department of Fisheries (DOF) of Thailand. She also outlined the activities of Thailand with regards to PSM activities including the Catch Certification and Simplified Catch Certification processes. She added that Thailand has set up its Catch Certification Coordination Center to gather information and coordinate with other relevant agencies to address the issues related to PSM. Moreover, she also explained the tools to combat IUU fishing and also the means to support export of fisheries product to the European Countries such as fishing logbooks and Marine Catch Purchasing Document. DOF of Thailand also has established a Control and Inspection Section which is tasked to inspect the country's ports for fish and fishery products landed, and also presented the procedures for inspection of imported fisheries products.

3.6 Vietnam

15. A review of the problems and challenges on the implementation of Port State Measures in Vietnam (Annex 11) was reported by Mr. Pham Ngoc Tuan, Head of Logistics and Services for

Fisheries. The report included excerpts from the country's Fisheries Act. He added that in the country's 28 coastal provinces, there are 15 fishing ports classified as level I, 96 fishing ports level II, and 100 small fishing ports and landing sites. As of the moment, 66 fishing ports and 100 small fishing ports are operational, while 21 other fishing ports are still being developed and constructed.

16. The problems and obstacles encountered in the implementation of PSM in Vietnam include difficulties in managing many small fishing ports, inadequate lawa and frameworks to manage fishing ports, insufficient financial and human resources in local fisheries port management authorities and in the conduct of MCS activities, and lack of compliance of the regulations among relevant stakeholders. The challenges and expected activities to address the problems and obstacles have been proposed to the Prime Minister for the re-organization of fisheries (project proposal already submitted), specifically to forecast the marine fishing grounds, effectively implement programs on re-organization of the national inspection system, review and reform national legal and policy frameworks in relation to MCS activities and the FAO Port State Measures Agreement for the establisment of national port state measures, as well as to develop a decree for the effective management of fishing ports, and enhance cooperation with other countries in the region to widely conduct MCS activities and to reduce, prevent and eliminate IUU fishing.

IV. LESSONS LEARNED PORT STATE MEASURES AND OTHER MEASURES

4.1 Introduction of Catch Documentation Scheme and Catch Certification

- 17. Catch Documentation/Certification as MCS Tools to Combat IUU Fishing (Annex 12) was presented by *Dr. Somboon Siriraksophon* of the SEAFDEC Secretariat. He explained that specifically, the Catch Documentation Scheme (CDS) as MCS tool for combating IUU fishing continues to evolve since 2010 from national/regional-based CDS such as the EU Regulation. In this connection, he also explained the flow chart of catch documentation procedures.
- 18. The objectives of the proposed CDS are to: monitor the international trade in fish and fishery products, identify the origins of fish imported into or exported from the countries, determine whether fish imported into or exported from the countries are legally fished, and gather catch data for the scientific evaluation of the stocks. He suggested that the way forward to promote CDS and Certification could include better integration of commercial and artisanal fisheries into CDS and/or Catch Certification, development of guidelines for smooth operation, sharing of experiences for the best practices on the promotion of logbooks or landing data recording systems, consider alternative device for better tracking such as electronic tags, link the issue to licensing system, enhance capacity building activities, and develop a Regional Record of Fishing Vessels.

4.2 Lessons Learnt on Port State Measures and Other Measures in Japan

- 19. The representative fron the Fisheries Agency of Japan, *Mr. Kazuhiko Nagao* presented the status of implementation of Port State Measures and other measures in Japan (Annex 13). His presentation covered landing inspection for long-line tuna vessels including the procedures, measures being undertaken by Japan as a port state, FAO Port State Measures Agreement, landing inspections, and other measures such as CDS for proper fishery management, specifying that MCS is an effective means to combat IUU fisheries.
- 20. While adding that port state measures are also effective means of combating IUU fishing which should be implemented with priority, landing inspections in conjunction with RFMO's measures such as CDS, VMS, and other measures through the management capacity of each State including cooperation and sharing of information on IUU fishing activities, should be considered and

implemented. Moreover, he mentioned that modern technologies such as the use of VMS, e-CDS, and individual tagging could strengthen the performance of port states.

V. INITIATIVES/ACTIVITIES RELEVANT TO THE PROMOTION AND IMPLEMENTATION ON PORT STATE MEASURES IN THE REGION

5.1 Fish Marketing Organization, Thailand

21. The Deputy Director of the Fish Marketing Organization (FMO) of Thailand, *Mr. Pramua Rugjai* discussed the operations of the Phuket Fishing Port Fishing Marketing Organization (Annex 14). His presentation focused on Phuket Fishing Port as an international fishing port which has adequate port as well as hygiene facilities as a part of the PSM requirements. Many foreign vessels unload tuna and use the facilities of Phuket Fishing Port. In unloading tuna in this port, registration and loading forms should be accomplished to support the PSM requirements.

5.2 SEAFDEC-Sida

22. Strengthening Sub-regional Cooperation on Port Monitoring (Annex 15) was presented by *Ms. Pattaratjit Kaewnuratchadasorn* representing the SEAFDEC-Sida project, focusing on the project activities related to port monitoring in collaboration with sub-regional countries such as Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, and Thailand supported by the SEAFDEC-Sida project. The presentation included the areas of promoting the effectiveness of management of fishing capacity, importance of port monitoring to fisheries management, and sub-regional collaboration to facilitate efficient port monitoring.

5.3 SEAFDEC/MFRDMD

23. The representative from SEAFDEC/MFRDMD, *Ms. Mazalina Ali* presented the status of the activity on Preventing Export of IUU Fish and Fishery Products in SEAFDEC Member Countries (**Annex 16**), which is part of the project on the Promotion of Fishing Licensing, Boat Registration and Port State Measures in Southeast Asia. This activity aims to collect information regarding export of fish and fishery products, and develop the Regional Guidelines to prevent IUU fish and fishery products from being exported. Moreover, the progress of activities related to PSM activities was also presented.

5.4 FAO/RAP

24. Representative from FAO/ RAP, *Dr. Simon Funge-Smith* presented the status of implementation of the PSM Agreement in the region (Annex 17). The activities undertaken by FAO to promote the implementation of the PSM Agreement in the Southeast Asian region include awareness and capacity building on fisheries management and combating IUU fishing, workshops on PSM, promotion on flag state performance, and development of the global fishing vessels record.

VI. DISCUSSION ON FUTURE ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PORT STATE MEASURES AND OTHER MEASURES IN THE REGION

25. The problems and constraints in the implementation of PSM in the region, and the proposed solutions to the problems were summarized country by country in a matrix format (Annex 18). The inputs consisted of problems/constraints, proposed solutions, regulations/legislations, and agencies involved. Moreover, the PSM activities plan (Annex 19) that will be implemented by SEAFDEC/TD

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in 2013 to 2017 was discussed including the establishment of experts' group network for information exchange and coordination of activities related to the implementation of PSM in the region.

VII. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

26. After the discussions, the Meeting adopted the conclusion and recommendations including the regional common issues and constraints which appear as **Annex 20**.

VIII.CLOSING OF THE EXPERTS GROUP MEETING

27. The Experts Group Meeting was closed by the Deputy Secretary-General of SEAFDEC, *Mr. Kenji Matsumoto* who also thanked the participants for their active participation during the Experts Group Meeting on Port State Measures in Southeast Asia. He stressed that the Meeting has indeed served as useful avenue for sharing and exchanging information, as well as in discussing and brainstorming on the problems and challenges that impede the implementation of Port State Measures and other measures. He added that the ways and means of addressing such problems and challenges could be used as inputs for the development of Port State Measures and other measures in the region. With that note, he declared the meeting closed. His Closing Statement appears as **Annex 21**.

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Distinguished Guests, Participants, Ladies and Gentlemen, Good morning!

It is indeed with great pleasure that I welcome you all to this Experts Group Meeting on Port State Measures in Southeast Asia. We are all aware that many countries and regional organizations are now focusing their efforts in promoting sustainable fisheries management to combat IUU fishing for food security. It is therefore an opportune time to convene this Meeting so that we could relate all our initiatives towards creating a harmonized system of Port State Measures as our contribution to the overall efforts of reducing if not completely putting an end to IUU fishing in our region.

We must also recall that many international fora have issued calls to combat IUU fishing by promoting diverse sets of measures for flag states, coastal states and port States. As a result, many RFMOs have been adopting Port State Measures and expressed their strong support on the proposal to develop a legally binding instrument for Port State Measures based on the 2001 FAO IPOA-IUU and the FAO Model Scheme. In the Southeast Asian Region, discussions have also been conducted for the development of the Draft Agreement on Port State Measures to Combat IUU Fishing, more particularly during the April 2008 Regional Workshop which was co-organized by the FAO, APFIC and SEAFDEC.

During such workshop, SEAFDEC was requested to coordinate with the Member Countries to assess their requirements for capacity building that would enable them to address the issues impeding the promotion of Port States Measures in the their respective countries. In response to such request, the SEAFDEC Training Department has implemented the project on the Promotion of Fishing License, Boats Registration and Port State Measures to Combat IUU Fishing in the Region with funding support from Japanese Trust Fund. One of the activities under the project is this three-day Experts Group Meeting on Port State Measures in Southeast Asia, which we hope would be able to determine such obstacles and identify suitable tangible activities relevant to the promotion of Port State Measures and other measures in our region.

Although the task of forestalling IUU fishing in our region is colossal, we are confident that we could work effectively together towards attaining our common goal by setting our sights towards the sustainability of the fishery resources for the food security of all peoples in our region. Through this Meeting, we are confident that we could develop the regional implementing guidelines on Port State Measures and other measures such as Catch Documentation Scheme and Catch Certification. Your concrete recommendations therefore, would surely help SEAFDEC and the Member Countries in expediting the promotion of Port State Measures in our region.

With that Ladies and Gentlemen, I take great pleasure in declaring this important meeting open. Thank you once again and good day!

PROVISIONAL PROSPECTUS

THE EXPERTS GROUP MEETING ON PORT STATE MEASURES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

BACKGROUND

Since the late 1990s, a number of international fora issued calls to combat IUU fishing, and in March 2001, the FAO Committee on Fisheries (COFI) adopted the International Plan of Action to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate IUU fishing (IPOA-IUU) which was applied on a voluntary basis. A large and diverse set of measures for States was bounded to combat IUU fishing, individually and in collaboration with other States. Some of these measures are designed for use by all States; others are tailored for application by flag States, coastal States and port States.

Improved strength and coordination of port State measures and other surveillance activities will be necessary to maximize the benefit from such surveillances. FAO has played a leading role in this regard, culminating in the acknowledgement by COFI at its Twenty-sixth Session in 2005 that there was a need to strengthen port State measures as a means of combating IUU fishing in a more substantive manner given that the lack of agreed, binding measures provided a loophole. The Committee endorsed the FAO Model Scheme on Port State Measures to Combat IUU Fishing, and agreed that follow-up work should be undertaken, especially with respect to operate the FAO Model Scheme.

Port State measures have been increasingly adopted by RFMOs, and are also addressed in a number of international instruments. This culminated at the Twenty-seventh Session of COFI in March 2007 when the Committee acknowledged the urgent need for a comprehensive suite of port State measures and the strong support expressed on the proposal to develop a legally binding instrument for port State measures which were based on the 2001 FAO IPOA-IUU and the FAO Model Scheme.

In the Southeast Asian Region, there were discussion and clarification to enhance awareness of the importance of the port State measures, update on the FAO Model Scheme and the progress in the development of the Draft Agreement at the Regional Workshop on Port State Measures to Combat IUU Fishing co-organized by the FAO, APFIC and SEAFDEC during 31 March to 4 April 2008. Taking into accounts on the instrument, SEAFDEC was requested to coordinate with the Member Countries and consolidate their capacity building requirements in order to further develop a policy brief document on the issue, outlining the background, status, key required strategies (areas that need to be addressed) and seek the support from the ASEAN to help the Member Countries in the implementation. Therefore, the Training Department (TD) under implement the project on the Promotion of Fishing License, Boats Registration and Port State Measures to Combat with IUU Fishing in the Region, with funding support from Japanese Trust Fund will organize the Experts Group Meeting on Port State Measures (PSM) in Southeast Asia to find out the obstacle and suitable tangible activities on PSM and other surveillance activities implementation in the region. The output of the meeting and the information provided by the national experts will be compiled and used to develop the implementing guide of Port State Measures and other measures such as Catch Documentation Scheme (CDS) and Catch Certification as onward activities in the region.

OBJECTIVES

- 1. Reviewing the problems and challenges on implementing the Port State Measures
- 2. Identifying the key issues needed to be improved by country in implementing the Measures;

3. Sharing the lesson learnt among the SEAFDEC Member countries;

PARTICIPANTS

- 1. A selected/ nominated expert who involve in/and responsible for Port State Measures from Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam
- 2. Selected/ nominated experts who involve in Port State Measures and other measures such as Catch Documentation Scheme and Catch Certification from regional/international organizations; and
- 3. Representatives from SEAFDEC Secretariat, Training Department and MFRDMD.

DATE AND VENUE

12 – 14 November 2012 at the Ambassador Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand

EXPECTED OUTPUT

- 1. Identified problems and challenges on implementation of the Port State Measures;
- 2. Established the regional experts network for information sharing and strengthening the regional cooperation to implement the Port State Measures;
- 3. Find out the way forward on Port State Measures and other measures such as Catch Documentation Scheme and Catch Certification in the region

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- 1. Opening of the meeting
- 2. Introduction of the meeting
- 3. Adoption of the agenda and arrangements
- 4. Current situation of Port State Measures
- 5. Review the problems and challenges on Port State Measures implementation by Member Countries
- 6. Lesson learnt on Port State Measures and other measures such as Catch Documentation Scheme and Catch Certification implementing by Member Countries
- 7. Initiative activities to promote and implement on Port State Measures in the region
- 8. Discussion on way forward for future activities to support the implementation of the Port State Measures and other measures in the region
- 9. Conclusion and recommendation
- 10. Closing of the meeting

TIMETABLE

Monday 12 N	Tovember 2012
0830-0900	Registration
	Agenda 1. Opening of the Meeting
0900-0910	Opening Address by SG
0910-0920	Policy and direction of Japanese Trust Fund
	(by DSG and Japanese Trust Fund Project Manager)
0920-0940	Agenda 2: Introduction of the meeting
0950-1000	Agenda 3: Adoption of the agenda and arrangements
1000-1030	Coffee/tea break and group photo
1030-1100	Agenda 4: Current situation of Port State Measures • Current situation of Port State Measures (by FAO/RAP)
1100-1200	How to apply Port State Measures model to SEA region (by Ms.Poungthong)
1200-1330	Lunch break
1330-1600	 Agenda 5: Review the problems and challenges on Port State Measures implementation by Member Countries (20 min./country, answer 10 min.) Malaysia
	Myanmar
	• Philippines
	• Singapore
1600-1615	Coffee/tea break
1615-1715	Agenda 5: Review the problems and challenges on Port State Measures
	implementation by Member Countries (Cont'd) (20 min./country, answer 10 min.)
	Thailand
	• Vietnam
1800-2000	Reception dinner
Tuesday 13 N	Jovember 2012
0900-1000	Agenda 6: Lesson learnt on Port State Measures and other measures such as Catch Documentation Scheme and Catch Certification implementing by Member Countries Introduction of Catch Documentation Scheme and Catch Certification (SEAFDEC/Secretariat) Lesson learnt on Port State Measures and other measures in Japan
1000-1030	Coffee/tea break
1030-1200	Agenda 7: Initiative activities to promote and implement on Port State Measures in the region • FMO • SEAFDEC/Sida • SEAFDEC/MFRDMD • FAO/RAP

1200-1400	Lunch Break
1400-1700	Agenda 8: Discussion on way forward for future activities to support the
	implementation of the Port State Measures and other measures in the region
Wednesday 14	November 2012
0900-1030	Agenda 9: Conclusion and Recommendation
1030-1100	Coffee/tea break
1100-1145	Continued Agenda 9: Conclusion and Recommendation
1145-1200	Agenda 10: Closing of the meeting
1200-1300	Lunch break



Implementing the 2009 Agreement on Port State Measures

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FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific Based on a presentation by David J. Doulman, FAO, Rome

BACKGROUND

- Port State measures in support of fisheries management started with UNCLOS
 - 1982 UN Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS)
- A strong global interest for more responsible stewardship of natural resources
 - after UNCED in 1992
 - encouraging new approaches to resource management and utilization
 - overriding goal of long-term sustainability and improved oceans governance

Organized IUU fishing is increasing

Recent interest to strengthening Port State Measures in support of fisheries management because:

- Rise of IUU fishing and its impact on fisheries and their management
- Lack of effective <u>Flag State</u> control by some States
- flags of non compliance (formerly known as flags of convenience)
- Growth of ports of non-compliance
 - (formerly known as ports of convenience)



Rise of IUU fishing

- IUU fishing is not new
 - · Become more visible
 - More valuable in the past 20 years
 - · It is observed in all capture fisheries
- IUU fishing involves a wide range of activities
 - Unauthorized fishing in EEZs and in RFMO convention areas
 - Taking juvenile and protected species
 - · Using prohibited gear
 - Failing to report catches, etc
- IUU fishing is motivated by economic gain
 - in industrial fisheries often associated with organized crime
- IUU fishing exploits weak management & governance
 - takes advantage of developing countries

Impact of IUU fishing

- Undermines national and regional efforts to manage fisheries
 - Inhibits stock rebuilding efforts
 - Speeds up the decline of many fisheries
- Increases costs for fishery administrations
 - lost fishing revenue
 - funds spent combating it, MCS
- It is unfair
- Disadvantages honest "authorized" fishers
- Potentially affects food and livelihood security for poor coastal communities in developing countries
- IUU is now considered a trans-boundary environmental crime
 - Combatting IUU requires strong "political will" and concerted and consistent action
 - often at a regional level

Lack of effective flag state control

- Some States do not exercise effective <u>Flag State control</u> over their fishing vessels operating beyond areas of national jurisdiction
 - in EEZs of other countries and on the high seas
 - unable (lack of capacity)
 - unwilling (flags of non compliance)
- Flags of non-compliance vessels
 - do not observe responsible standards of behaviour and international fisheries management norms
 - e.g. conservation and management measures put in place by RFMOs
 - Regulations of access agreements
- <u>Development of International criteria for the assessment of Flag State performance</u>

Increase in ports of non-compliance

- What is a port of non-compliance?
- A port which:
 - <u>Does not monitor</u> fishing vessels using their ports
- Does <u>not exercise control</u> over the handling of catches, including catches taken by IUU fishing vessels
- <u>Hosts companies</u> that own or manage IUU fishing vessels or <u>support their</u> operations
- · Often located in developing countries
 - Weak law or controls
 - Financial considerations (e.g. the sale of goods and services to fishing vessels)
- · Ports of non-compliance undermine fight against IUU
 - <u>Do not assist Flag States</u> meet their obligations under international law
 - <u>Do not prevent IUU</u> caught-fish entering international trade:
 - <u>Facilitate</u> landing, transshipment, processing and laundering of IUU-caught product

Instruments & initiatives

- States that have accepted or ratified binding-international instruments have an obligation to implement them
- Many States already have obligations to implement Port States Measures through international instruments
 - 1995 UN Fish Stocks Agreement and RFMO conventions
 - Port State Measures increasingly referred to in international agreements (addressed directly, or indirectly)
 - 1982 UN Convention on the Law of the Sea (binding, in force)
 - 1992 Agenda 21 adopted by UNCED (non binding)
 - 1993 FAO Compliance Agreement (binding, in force)
 1995 UN Fish Stocks Agreement (binding, in force)
 - 2006 Review Conference on Fish Stocks Agreement (non binding)
 - 2009 Agreement on Port State Measures (binding, not in force)
- Voluntary or non-binding instruments should be implemented as a demonstration
 of political commitment to international fisheries initiatives but there is no
 obligation to do so

UNGA Fisheries Resolutions and FAO COFI decisions

- UNGA fisheries resolutions have called for tighter and better port State controls
- Resolution 61/105 (in 2006) and subsequent resolutions
 - encouraged States to start a process to develop a <u>legally-binding</u> <u>instrument</u> on minimum standards for port State measures and welcomed the conclusions of negotiations
- 2007 COFI
 - agreed to proceed with a process to develop a binding instrument on port State measures based on the IPOA-IUU and the Model Scheme
 - work endorsed by subsequent COFI sessions



2009 FAO Agreement on Port States Measures

- September 2007: Expert Consultation
 - draft agreement elaborated by a group of international experts
- June 2008-August 2009 (4 sessions)
 - Technical Consultation negotiation of binding agreement
- November 2009
 - Agreement approved by FAO Conference
 - Opened for signature

Status of 2009 PSM Agreement

- Opened for signature 2009
 - remained open for 1-year
 - 23 countries signed
- After one year available for ratification, approval or accession
 - Currently 4
 - EU, Norway, Sri Lanka, Myanmar
- Agreement will enter into force 30 days after the deposit of the 25th instrument with the depositary – FAO Director-General

What is in the 2009 Port State Measure agreement?

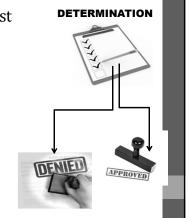
- Objective of port control is to
- prevent, deter, and eliminate IUU fishing through the implementation of effective port State measures.
- And therefore to ensure the long-term conservation and sustainable use of living marine resources and marine ecosystems.
- The benefits include
 - harmonised minimum standards at global and regional levels
 - which enhance cooperation among flag States, coastal States and RFMOs on enforcement and deterrence.
 - They also promote cost-effectiveness and integration with other port State controls over the same vessels.

What is the scope?

- The Port State Measures are
 - · Global in scope
 - · Apply to foreign vessels
- Are related to fishing conducted in marine areas
- · Apply to all ports
- They apply to any vessel, ship of another type used for, equipped to be used for , or intended to be used for:
 - fishing and fishing related activities (landing, packaging, processing, trans-shipping
 - transporting of fish that have not been previously landed at a port
 - the provisioning of personnel, fuel, gear and other supplies at sea
- · Vessels excepted are
 - Those of a neighbouring State engaged in artisanal fishing for subsistence
 - · Container vessels not carrying fish
 - Container vessels carrying only fish that have been previously landed

Advance request for port entry

- Information to be provided:
 - Vessel identification
 - Purpose of visit
 - Fishing authorizations
 - Trans-shipment information
 - · Catch onboard



Regulation on the use of ports

- A vessel can be denied the use of a port if:
- No valid or applicable authorisation in respect of the flag State and/or a coastal State
- There is clear evidence of contravening requirements of a coastal State
- No confirmation from the flag State, if
- Reasonable grounds to believe IUU fishing, unless rebutted by the vessel
- The port State shall not deny the use of its
 - Essential to safety and health
 - Scrapping of the vessel



Actions following an inspection

- If there are clear grounds to believe the vessel has involvement in IUU fishing:
 - Notify flag State
 - Notify coastal State
 - Notify native country of the master
 - Notify RFMO
- Deny use of ports
 - however do not deny services essential to safety of crew and vessel
- Take other actions with the consent or at request of the flag State



Linking information & action to combat IUU Sightings & VMS Port State measures Port State measures Market Port State measures Port State measures

Legislation checklist – need to have legal basis covering:

- Use of terms
- Application
- Integration and coordination at the national level
- Designation of ports
- Advance request for entry
- Port entry authorisation or denial
- Force majeure or distress

- Use of ports
- Levels and priorities for inspection
- Conduct of inspections
- Results of inspections
- Transmittal of inspection results
- Actions following inspections
- Role as flag State

Institutional arrangements

- Infrastructure and resources in place.
- Development of a national strategy for enhanced coordination and cooperation.
- Establishing clear mandates that cover all port activities including:
 - clear lines of authority and decision-making
 - between the agency responsible for fisheries and those responsible for broader port controls and general enforcement matters.
- Enhancing port facilities, in cooperation with the broader port authority

Information systems

- Need easy and rapid access to information to make
 - Requirements of flag States and coastal States authorisations
 - RFMO vessel lists
 - RFMO conservation and management measures
 - VMS information
 - Observer programme information
 - List of contacts/network of focal points of other States, RFMOs
 - Activities involving transhipments at sea
 - · Historical information on vessels
 - Vessel information required by broader port control authorities

CONCLUSION



- 2009 Agreement contains minimum standards for port States

 States can adopt tougher measures

 e.g. Norway and Pacific Island countries said they will do so
- Port State measures are only one means of combatting IUU fishing

 other means should not be neglected
- they are also needed to support effective action by ports
- Port State measures must be underpinned by strong <u>political</u> <u>commitment</u>
- needs well-targeted programmes for capacity building and institutional strengthening to be successful

Thank you!



National Coordination and Implementation of Port State Measures in Select States in the Southeast Asian Region

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The select states of the study

- > Indonesia
- **≻**Philippines
- > Thailand

Outline

- ✓ Annual port call
- ✓ Number of major fishing ports
- ✓ Legal requirement & institutional mechanisms/practices for implementing FAO Model Scheme
- ✓ Identify and evaluate national-level mechanisms for the legal and administrative implementation of Port State measures
- ✓ Assess strengths and weakness of implementation of Port State measures in each countries
- \checkmark Recommendations to overcome the contraints

No.	Topics	Thailand	The Philippines	Indonesia
1.	Annual Port call by non-national fishing vessels (2007)	2,000-3,000	760	5,000
2.	Number of major fishing ports (2007)	1 (Phuket)	1 (Davao Fish Port Complex)	8
3.	Legal requirement & Institutional Mechanisms/Practices for Implementing FAO Model Scheme			
	1. Prior advice notice	24 hours	48 hours 2	hours (at least)
	2. Denial of port use	denied, detained, penalty due to violating of other laws issues not in IUU cases	Arrested & Detained	denied, arrested, investigated, detained

· Denial of Port use

Thailand:

- ➤ No local law/regulation in IUU Fishing case
- ➤ Inspection on board by consent

The Philippines:

- Local law (Republic Act No. 8550)
 - $\,\succ\,$ presence of a foreign vessel is a prima facie evidence for IUU
 - > the fishermen onboard and their crew members may be arrested
 - > fishing vessel detained

Indonesia:

- Local law
 - $\,\succ\,$ denial if there is a strong indication that the vessel engaged in IUU
 - > fishery inspection
 - > investigation

		ion and Implementation of Port State Measures Cont.			
No.	Topics	Thailand	The Philippines	Indonesia	
		Yes	Yes	Yes	
	3. Inspection of Fishing vessels				
	4. Communication with the Flag State	None	None	None	
	5. Report of result of inspections	None	None	None	
	6. Follow-up actions taken where IUU fishing is discovered	-recruitment of qualified staffs -training & workshop -formulation of mechanism	-Hiring more qualified Personels -Conducting training -Procurement of equipment	-promot public aware ness -strengthen national capacities	
	7. Training of port inspectors	Yes	Yes	Yes	

· Inspection of fishing vessel

Thailand:

> Inspection on board by consent

The Philippines:

> All non-national fishing vessels are inspected

- > each fishing boat must
 - \succ inform to harbormaster for her purpose and reason for entering
 - > provide her license

 - > showing cruise report to fish inspector
 > showing logbook to detect her catches (to see whether IUU or not)

	Cont.		
Topic	s Thailand	The Philippine	s Indonesia
8. Information	systems Yes-IOTC	Yes-WCPEC,ICCAT, IOTC	Yes-IOTC&CCBST
4. Identify and evinational-level coordination mechanisms for legal and administrative implementation State measures-identify where coordination mechanisms are or do not exist.	the of Port - Need Closer inter- agency cooperation and consultation - Need National Plan of Actions on IUU	training modules for personnel in charge for combating IUU -Lack of information Technology -lack of equipment in combating IUU ne	- lack of national apacity to implement port state measures - Lack of personnel skills, facilities and network - Lack of public aware ess on Port State measures regional MCS network

No.	Topics	Thailand	The Philippines	Indonesia
5.	Assess the strengths and weakness of implementation of Port State measures in the Philippines, Indonesia and Thailand	- Need inter-agency cooperation and consultation - Need IUU laws - Need Capacity Building - Regulatory problems - Need MCS network and Application		- Limited personels capability - More comprehensive Research - Lack of public award ess ICS Network

			Cont.	
No.	Topics	Thailand	The Philippines	Indonesia
6.	Recommendations on how to overcome the constraints	-Technical assistance provided by international and regional fisheries organization -Political support and commitment to promote the regional RPOA- IUU	-Promoting a common commitment among various Port States to develop their respective vessel monitoring systems -Conducting workshop on development and adoption of commonly acceptable monitoring forms and protocols in combating IUU fishing stan	- Data and informatio exchange among countries in the region relating to authorised fishing boats and suspected/proven conducting IUU fishing - Develop guidelines agreed by all relevant countries on minimum dard/procedures concerning Port Stat measures

Thank You for Your Attention

Port State Measures Implementation

Malaysia

current situation

Legal framework

- i. Fisheries Act 1985;
- ii. Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA)Act 2004
- iii. Malaysian Quarantine And Inspection Services (MAQIS) Ac 2011;
- iv. Fisheries Development Authority Act 1971;
- v. Customs Act 1967;
- vi. Merchant Shipping Ordinance 1952.

Fisheries Act 1985......1

Section 15(2)

No foreign fishing vessel shall load or unload any fish, fuel or supplies or tranship any fish in Malaysian fisheries waters without the written approval of the Director General."

Fisheries Act 1985.....2

- Offence for violated Section 15 (2) Fisheries Act 1985 can be prosecuted in court and if convicted to be punishable under Section 25 of the same Act.
- OFFENCES
- Offences under Act
- 25. Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any provision
 of this Act shall be guilty of an offence and where no special penalty is
 provided in relation thereto, such person shall be liable—
- (a) where the vessel concerned is a foreign fishing vessel or the
 person concerned is a foreign national, to a fine not exceeding one
 million ringgit each in the case of the owner or master, and one
 hundred thousand ringgit in the case of every member of the crew;
- (b) in all other cases, to a fine not exceeding twenty thousand ringgit or a term of imprisonment not exceeding two years or both.

Fisheries Act 1985.....3

- Passage of foreign fishing vessel through Malaysian fisheries waters
- Section 16.(1)
- Subject to subsections (2) and (3) a foreign fishing vessel may enter Malaysian fisheries waters, for the purpose of passage through such waters in the course of a voyage to a destination outside such waters.
- (2) Such passage, which shall be exercised in accordance with rules
 of international law of the sea relating to the relevant maritime regime
 applicable to such Malaysian fisheries waters, includes stopping and
 anchoring only—
- · (a) if the vessel is in distress;
- (b) for the purpose of obtaining emergency medical assistance for a member of its crew; or
- (c) to render assistance to persons, ships or aircraft in danger or distress.

- (4) Every foreign fishing vessel entering Malaysian fisheries waters for the purpose mentioned in subsection (1) shall

 (a) without prejudice to the requirement to observe any other law of Malaysia which may be applicable, observe such regulations as may be made under section 61, including regulations regarding the stowage of fishing appliances; and
 (b) return to a position outside such waters as soon as the purpose for which it entered such waters has been fulfilled.

Malaysian Quarantine & Inspection Services Act 2011

Part V

PERMIT, LICENCE AND CERTIFICATE

Requirement for permit, licence and certificate

11.(1) No person shall import any plant, animal, carcass, fish, agricultural produce, soil or microorganism without a permit, licence or certificate issued under this Act.

Fish Marketing Regulations 2010

- 5. Control of exportation and importation of fish
- (1) No person shall import or export any fish without licence.
- (2) Any fish to be exported or imported shall pass through a legal entry or exit.
- (3) The Lembaga may specify the quality, quantity and type of fish to be exported or imported.
- (4) Any person who exports or imports any fish shall comply with the importing country requirements.
- (5) Any person who exports or imports any fish without a licence or in breach of any terms and conditions in the licence issued by the Lembaga shall be guilty of an offence under the

current practice

At present, any foreign fishing vessel to enter landing at any port in Malaysia, through their agent must apply and complete an application form issued by the Department of Fisheries Malaysia in accordance with Section 15 (2) Fisheries Act 1985.

To this end, The Director General/Department of Fisheries Malaysia will check the information of IUU fishing vessel based on IUU list of CCAMLR, IOTC and RPOA IUU Fishing website and additional information by RPOA parties.

The Director General shall reject or disapprove the application for landing in the event the information indicates that the foreign fishing vessels involved in IUU fishing activities. The decision will be inform to the flag state accordingly.

.....but anyway

- · control of ports fall under different port authorities.
- · Port authorities may have allowed entry into port despite denial to transship by DG DOF
- · LKIM may have collected certain fees for catches to be transshiped/ unloaded at port despite denial by DG DOF
- MMEA will take enforcement action if requested by DOF in the event of actual transhipment takes place at port

issues

- Multiple jurisdictions of ports
- Multiple authorities on maritime enforcement e.g. MMEA, MAQIS, LKIM, Marine Department
- Inconsistent law interpretation (non-binding nature of IPOA-IUU and legal implication to implement RFMOs' measures which Malaysia is not a party
- · Difficulty to get contact with flag state
- Not up-to-date IUU vessel list

resolutions

- Enhanced coordination among various agencies and jurisdictions by way of SOP for the use of Malaysian ports to transship catches by IUU vessel
- · Continuous capacity building
- · Sub-regional fishing vessel record
- Regional fishing vessel record

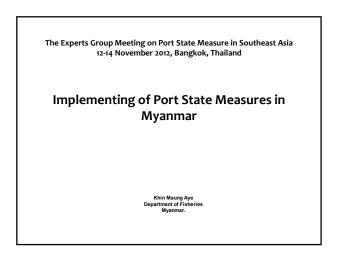
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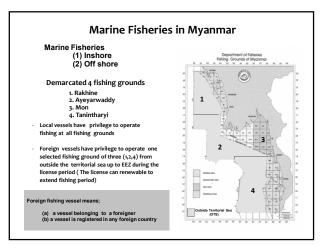
- · In the making
- Principle agreement has been reached for DOF to be the focal point
- Each relevant authority shall invoke existing legal provisions to make it difficult for IUU vessel
- Port authorities, LKIM, MAQIS, Customs, MMEA etc will be stand guided by DOF
- Will be making use IUU list from RPOA-IUU, FRMOs' list and upon request by RPOA-IUU parties
- The heart SOP is information dissemination

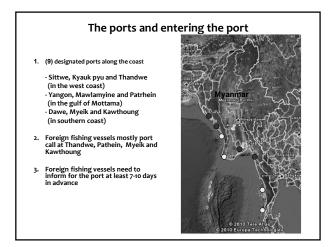
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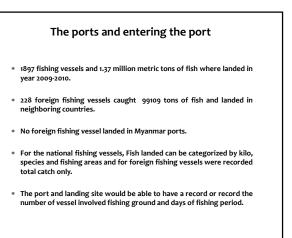
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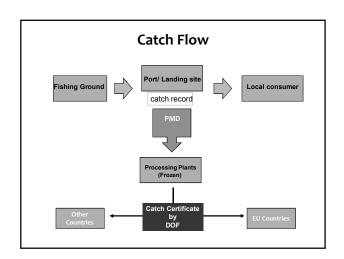
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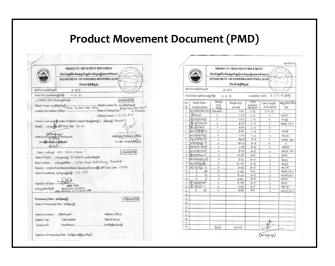


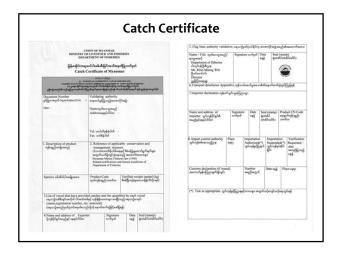


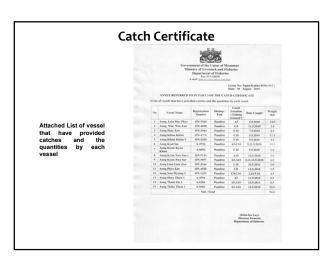


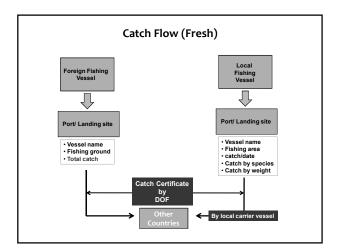






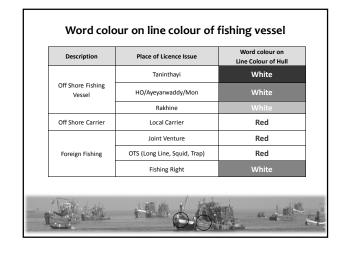






1. The export of marine product to EU countries from Myanmar has to be declared that the fish caught was not from the I.U.U vessels in the Catch Certificate and the EU countries have accepted according to their EC regulation. 2. Catch made from Myanmar that from the date of 31st March 2010 are authorized to export to the EU when accompanied by a valid Catch Certificate. 3. In order to issue Catch Certificate the following is required: a) The Company that will export to the EU must apply to the DOF for the C/C. b) In the application ED/PMD to be attached together. c) The PMD will be inspected at the Landing Site and recommendation given. d) Compile the list of each vessel catches from PMD that have attached with C/C. e) PMD must be as the evidence of the export document and case file opened and C/C will be issued. f) All the case files are filed and kept case by case for each C/C issued.

Inspection at port * All fishing vessels (national and non nationals) are subjected to inspect at the port. * Strict law enforcement on fishing activities (problems of illegal fishing) The inspection is undertaking by a team composed with DOF, Immigration, Port authority, Custom, Police Force etc. * The fishing vessels are inspected in priority of port calling * Generally the port receive registered foreign vessels: JV or licenses fishing rights * None has been reported on the request of unregistered (illegal) vessels in Myanmar for the port



Cooperation with regional organization

- * Myanmar has been cooperated with Regional Fisheries Management Organizations such as SEAFDEC, APFIC and FAO
- * There is no constraints in cooperation with such international and regional organization
- * However, we do have facing the poaching problems are to be pointing out.



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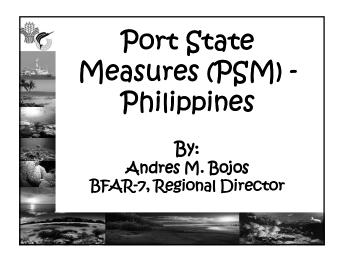
- * Inadequate MCS system
- * Deficiency of communication
- * Uncover the long coastal areas
- * Lack of port and landing facility
- * lack of knowledge for international fishing port inspection and management
- * Prevalence of poaching from foreign fishing vessels

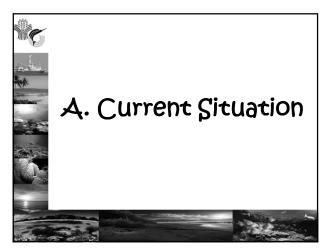


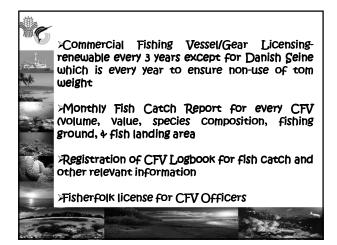
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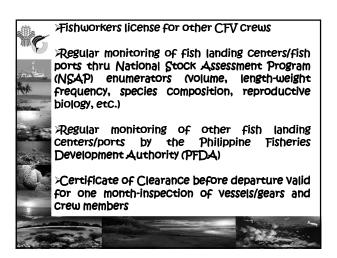
- * Establishment of efficient MCS system is essential for effective controlling of fishing capacity and IUU fishing.
- * Collaboration and cooperation of adjacent coastal nations would be most effective in in combating IUU fishing.
- * To implement regional cooperation frame work
- * Prompt exchange of information between neighboring coastal states
- * Apply the noble means of communication and information network

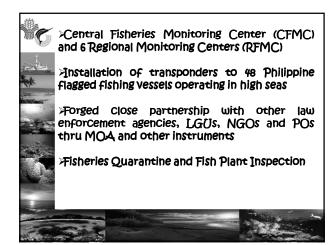
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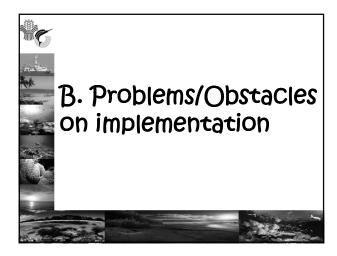


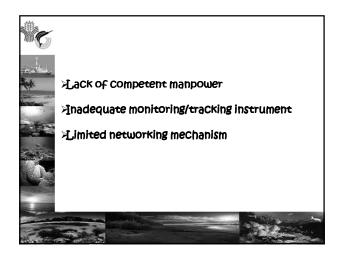


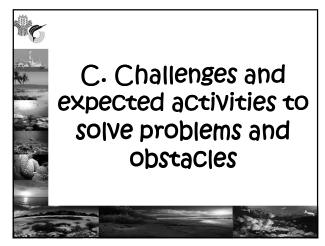


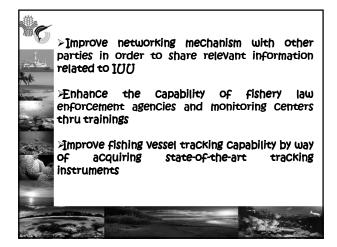


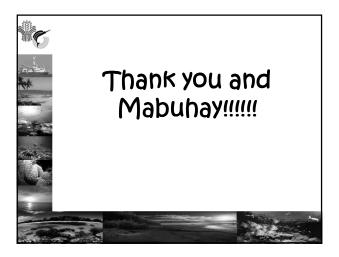












CHALLENGES ON IMPLEMENTING THE FAO AGREEMENT ON PORT STATE MEASURES (PSMA) TO COMBAT IUU FISHING A COUNTRY'S PERSPECTIVE SINGAPORE

12 - 14 Nov 2012 Bangkok, Thailand

Adrian Lim Fishery Port Division, AVA

PORT STATE MEASURES (PSM)

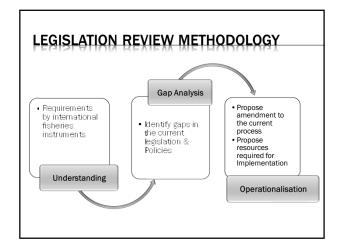
- * Obliged to implement PSM
 - + United Nation General Assembly (UNGA) Resolution 65/38 (Paras 50 & 51)
 - + Free Trade Agreements Negotiations
- * PSM to combat IUU fishing
 - + Deny IUU fishing vessels from entering Singapore port limits
 - + Conduct routine inspection on fishing vessels
 - + Establish measures for enforcement against IUU fishing
 - + Exclude artisanal/ containerised vessels & recreational fishing

CHALLENGES

- * Fisheries Legislations
- Multiple agencies involved in the vessels entry to port process
- * Acceptance of multiple stakeholders
- Current limited resources and capability

SINGAPORE'S LEGISLATIONS ON FISHERIES

	Legislation
1	Fisheries Act 1969 (Chapter 111), Revised version 2002
2	Fishing Vessels (Control and Licensing) Rules, 1969
3	Fisheries (Fishing Harbour) Rules, 1971
4	Fishing Vessels (Control and Licensing) (Amendment) (Metrication) Rules, 1972.
5	Fishing Gear (Control and Licensing) Rules, 1972
6	Fish Culture (Control and Licensing) Rules, 1981



PSM Requirements Redefine "fishing", "IUU fishing" and other "definitions Deny IUU vessel Drafting of legislation to enable Notification prior to entry Prohibition of IUU vessels Penalty for IUU vessels Conduct routine inspection on fishing vessels Drafting of legislation to conduct routine inspection as part of PSM

LEGISLATION REVIEW

- Review Fisheries Act vis-à-vis requirements by various RFMOs and other international instruments under UNCLOS (that Singapore is signatory to)
- Engage and consult MPA, Singapore Customs and other Ministries and agencies
- > Draft legislative amendment
- > Establish measures and SOPs for implementation.

MULTIPLE AGENCIES INVOLVEMENT

- > Port entry
 - * Maritime Port Authority of Singapore (MPA)
 - * Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority (AVA)
 - * Singapore Customs (SC)
 - * Immigration and Checkpoints Authority (ICA)
- > Monitoring and Security
 - Police / Coast Guard
 - Navy

MULTIPLE STAKEHOLDERS

- > Government agencies
- > Shipping agents
- > Ship representatives
- > Shipyards
- > Exporters etc

RESOURCES AND CAPABILITY

- > Human resources and capabilities
- > Infrastructure

Thank you

Review the problems and challenges on Port State Measures implementation in Thailand

THE CATCH CERTIFICATION SCHEME OF THAILAND

THE IUU REGULATION

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1005/2008 of 29 September 2008 Establishing a Community System to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing

How to combat IUU Fishing Illegal Legal Vessel registration Fishing license Fishing under Thai laws/regulations (Right period, right area, right fishing gear) Reported Fishing Logbook (Thai Flag) Fishing Logbook (RFMO) Unregulated Regulated Regulated - Fisheries laws and regulation; Fisheries Act Notification of Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives, Notification of Department of Fisheries e.g. Determination of spawning area, prohibit area for trawler, mesh size control, fishing record RFMO regulations

Stakeholders' seminar on EC Regulation in combating IUU Fishing







Thailand Catch Certification Scheme

1) Catch Certificate :CC)

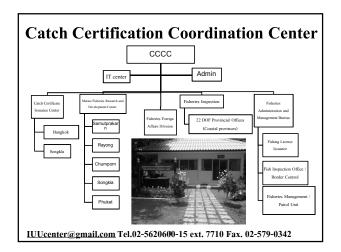
Issued for large scale fishing vessels (≥ 20 GT)

2) Simplified Catch Certificate: SCC

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3) Processing Statement (Annex IV)

Issued for exporters / processors whom import marine catch with a catch certificate for further processed and exported to the EU



Catch Certificate Issuance Center

- Bangkok Center: Fish Inspection and Quality Control Division
- Songkla Sub-Center : Songkla Fish Inspection and Quality Control Center

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Catch Certificate of Thailand

- Catch Certificate

Issued for large scale fishing vessels (> 20 GT)

- Simplified Catch Certificate

Issued for small scale fishing vessels (categorized in the EC IUU Regulation), especially < 20 GT

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Catch Documentations compose of; 1. Catch certificate, Simplified catch certificate CNUCLEMENT OF THALAS SIMPLIFICATION SIMPLIFICATION OF THALAS SIMPLIFICATION OF THALAS

Supply of Raw materials:

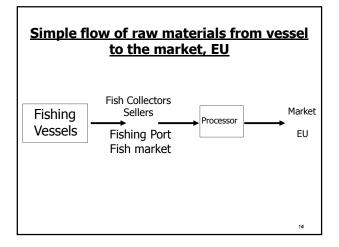
Raw materials for fishery products of Thailand which are exported to the European Community derived from the following 2 channels;

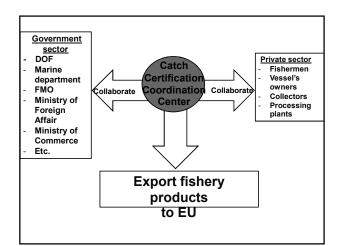
- Catching from Thai vessels which have been conducting fishing activities in Thai waters, foreign waters, and in the high seas.
- Importation from foreign countries, tuna and tunalike species are the main imported raw fish materials for processing and then exporting.

Processing Statement (Annex IV) Issuance

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2 Fishing Logbooks (FLB)

Thai fishing vessels have to submit their Fishing Logbook to report their fishing activities in order to collect fishing period, area and volume of capture fish data and statistic. The DOF has established data computerized network centers. Fishing operators have to arrange their fishing activities data and record in Fishing Logbook with their certification of the catches that are no involved with IUU fishing. Besides, the filling Fishing Logbook form has to be submitted to the Provincial Fishery Office to computerize fishing record and enable the access of fishing data network system.

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3. Marine Catch Transshipping Document (MCTD)

This document provide for the transship vessel that carry aquatic animals from the capture fishing vessels outside through the fishing port.



The transship vessel has to prepare

the MCTD form and collect the FLBs from capture fishing vessels. After landed, both MCTD and FLBs were submitted to the Provincial Fishery Office.

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4. Marine Catch Purchasing Document (MCPD)

A movement of aquatic animal which has been caught from Thai fishing vessel to the factory is controlled via a MCPD to facilitate a traceability system. MCPD is as a record of the transshipment operation through fish landing at a landing port, collectors, and frozen storage to processing plants. Eventually the MCPD documents will be transmitted along with the aquatic animals, and gathered at the processing plant. The document will be used as a database to provide an attachment list of respective fishing vessels for requesting a catch certificate from the DOF. However, the fishery products do not undergo the processing operations more than such data declared on the vessel's fishing logbook.

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Marine Catch Purchasing Document : MCPD | Marine | Marin

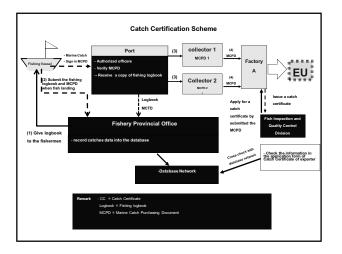
Thailand Catch Certification Scheme

1) Catch Certificate :CC

2) Simplified Catch Certificate : SCC

3) Processing Statement (Annex IV)

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Some implementation results from Jan.1,2010 – Mar.31,2011

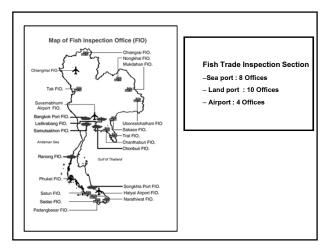
- 1. Issued 6,025 Catch Certificate, 54,242.84 Ton product quantities.
- 2. Issued 3,453 Annex IV, 66,062.38 Ton net weight.
- 3. 10,555 registered fishing vessels, 2,886 fishing license promotion services.
- 4. 6,190 distributed fishing logbooks, 17,388 pieces upload in to the data base.
- 5. 16,344 copies of MCPD used.

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Fish Trade

CONTROL and Inspection Section

- Monitoring import and export of Aquatic species and its products including the prevention and suppression of unlawful acts
- •The license or certificate for import/ export or transit of Aquatic species and its products as authorized by law and EU-IUU regulation
- Control fisheries product quality by monitoring to strategies for Food
 Safety
- · CITES Management (Inspection & Endorsement) Authority
- · Research study



Measures for Controlling the species imported to

Thailand

The Department of Fisheries has measures to be implemented in order to control imported fisheries product for quality, safety, sanitary, free of deceases, and protected endanger species, the law and regulation are being used such as

- -Fisheries Act. B.E. 2490 (1947)
- -Animal epidemics Act. B.E. 2499 (1956)
- -Food Act. B.E.2522 (1979)
- -Wildlife Reservation and Protection Act. B.E.2535 (1992): species on CITES

CATCH DOCUMENT

In order to comply with the EC IUU Regulation, Thailand Catch Certification Scheme has been developed since January 2010. The catch certificate is needed to accompany with the marine fishery product exported to the EU. Moreover, the Fishing Logbook are being used for fishing vessels flying Thai flag in order to record their catch data such as catch area, fish weight and the information fishing license and the fishing vessels. In terms of marine catch purchasing, the Marine catch Purchasing Document (MCPD) is also being used as the traceability system from the vessels to the processing plant.

CATCH DOCUMENT

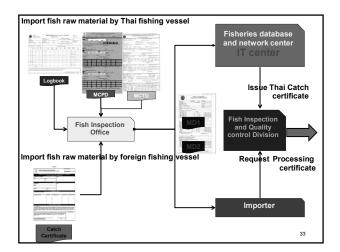
The information in the Fishing Logbook and MCPD will be used in order to issue the catch certificate and Processing Statement according to the EC IUU regulation. As for marine catch imported to Thailand to be processed and export to the EU, the catch certificate will also be requested. Moreover, the captain statement and certificate of origin are required for issuing an import permit before those consignments being imported to Thailand.

CATCH DOCUMENT

Thailand has also cooperate with CCAMLR by determine document for import tooth fish requirement, importer have to show *Dissostichus* Catch Document (DCD)/ *Dissostichus* Export Document (DED) prior to import.

INSPECTION PROCEDURES

The import permit of fishery product is required prior to import. When the fish and fishery product imported, the species, quantity and quality will be inspected by the Fish Inspection Office and they will verify that species are correct and consistent with the import permit. The officer will approve the consignment and pass it to the customs.



CONSTRAINTS TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2009 FAO AGREEMENT

The Department of Fisheries has no power to inspect on the fishing vessels, deny entering to port and deny transshipment at port according to the Agreement. However, the new Fisheries Act has some part to comply with Agreement, particularly the implementation as coastal state to deny the IUU fishing vessels entering to port, but the new Fisheries Act is still under the consideration of the Parliament. We believe that the parliament process will be finished in 2014 and the new Fisheries Act will be enforced after that.

WAY TO OVERCOME

- -Establish the technical cooperation programme on PSM to increase capacity and number of inspectors.
- -Strengthening of cooperation and communication between

 Department of Fisheries and Marine Department for combat IUU

 fishing
- -Revise relevant law and regulation to implement FAO PSMA

Thank you



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REVIEW THE PROBLEMS AND CHALLENGES ON PORT STATE MEASURES IMPLEMENTAION IN VIETNAM

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1. Current situation, activities of Port State Measures

Located Southwest Asian

- ✓ Coastline: 3260km
- ✓ EEZ: more than 1 millions sq km
- ✓ Fisheries sector: 6.1% GDP-2006
- In 2011, total fisheries production was 5,21 MT and export value was US\$ 6,05 billion,
 - Marine catch was 2,19 MT
 - Inland catch was 0,19 MT
 - Aquaculture production was 2,83 MT

Share EEZ to three areas: area shore, area near to shore and area offshore



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1. Introduction MARINE CAICH VS. FISHING BOATS, 2000 - 2010 Unit 1000 MT 1000 MT

Fishing port state

- To 2020 Vietnam will have 111 fishing ports and 100 landing sites
- Now we have 66 FP, 21 other FP are being continued to build and over 100 landing sites





Enforcement of the Law of Viet Nam Fisheries (2003)

The many legal documents was Published by government:

- Decree No. 59/2005/ND -CP regarding the conditions of trading and production of fisheries related occupations.
- Decree 57/2008/ND-CP on regulation on management of marine protected areas (MPAs).
- Decree 31/2010/ND-CP on administrative violations in fisheries sector.
- Decree No. 32 / 2010/ND-CP on the management of foreign fishing vessels operating in Vietnam's waters.
- Decree No. 33/2010/ND-CP on management of Vietnam's organizations and individuals operating at sea.
- Decree No. 52/2010/ND-CP on the importation of fishing vessels.
- Decree No. 80/2012/ND-CP on management fishing ports and landing sites.

Fishing licence and catch documetation

- Procedure of fishing license: all fishing capture boats over 0.5 ton
- Logbooks and fishing reports:
 - Fishing report for all boats must have fishing licence
 - Logbooks for the boat over 20 hp
- Fisheries inspection system:
 - 311 staff, 101 inspector have certified inspection cards
 - 49 petrol boats, 41 express canoe



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2. Problems and obstacles of PSM activities implementation

- Have many landing sites and very difficulties to manage them
- Increase of small fishing boats, difficulties to control and surveillance the violent
- Technical parameters were unsystematically to better record on fishing boats
- Lack of law famewords to manage fishing ports.
- Lack of financial and human resources in local fishing port management authorities for fisheries data collection and analysis.
- · Lack of financial resource to conduct MCS activities.
- · Lack of compliance of relevant stakeholders

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2. Problems and obstacles (cont.)

- There is few marine resource information for effectively managing fishing effort.
- Although many legal documents were issued but their implementation ability is very difficult.
- · Sanctions is not high enough to limit the violations
- Institutional arrangements from central to local levels are stable, systematic, synchronization.
- Lack of the skilled staffs in fisheries management
- MCS implementation is not sufficiently considered

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3. Challenges and expecting activities to solve or improve problems and obstacles

- Propose to Prime Minister for re-organization of fisheries
- Propose to Prime Minister a project proposal to forecast marine fishing grounds
- Effectively implement programe on re-organization national inspection system.
- Review and reform national legal and policy frameworks in relation to MCS activities and port state measures of FAO to establish port state measures and a Decree to effectively manage fishing ports
- Cooperate to countries in the region to widely conduct MCS activities and to reduce, prevent and eliminate IUU fishing.
- Actively involve RFMOs (FAO, WCPFC, ICCAT...) to enhance capacity in fisheries management.

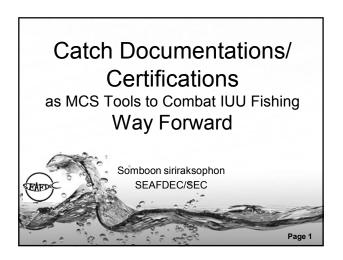
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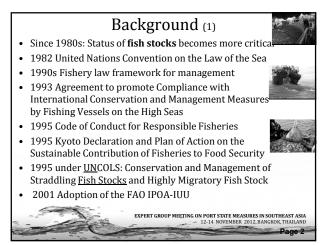
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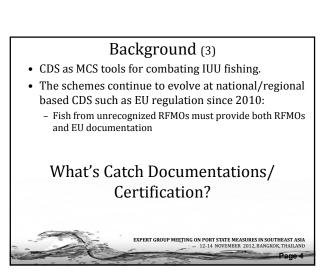
FIELD	WHO
1. Port Management	The member management board
	suggested by this report
2. Fishing Port Planning and Design	All consultants and provincial
	engineers involved in fishing ports
3. IMO Convention on Prevention	Vessel captains and all crew
of Pollution in Fishing Ports	
4. Seafood Handling	All fish handlers
5. Fisheries Inspection	Fisheries Inspectors
6. Fisheries Statistics	Enumerators
7. Health and Safety	Everyone working inside the port or
	aboard a vessel

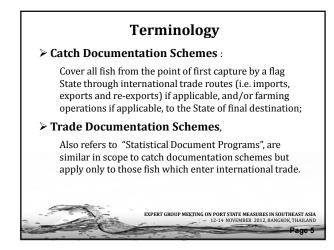


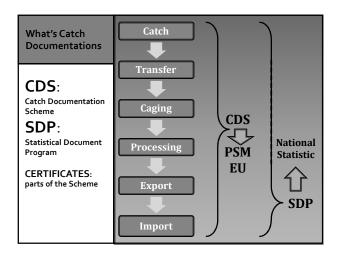




Background (2) The IPOA-IUU adopted by FAO's COFI, two articles relating to RFMO documentation schemes: Articles 69. Trade-related measures to reduce or eliminate trade in fish and fish products derived from IUU fishing. Such measures should be adopted in a fair, transparent and non-discriminatory manner. Articles 76. Certification and documentation requirements should be standardized to the extent feasible, and electronic schemes developed where possible, to ensure their effectiveness, reduce opportunities for fraud, and avoid unnecessary burdens on trade (FAO 2001). • These calls for consistency and standardisation resulted in an FAO-led expert consultation since 2002 on RFMO catch certification harmonisation till present. EXPERT GROUP MEETING ON PORT STATE MEASURES IN SOUTHEAST ASIAN TRAILAGE TRAILAGE



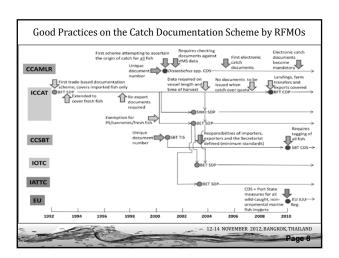




Proposes of Catch Documentation Scheme

- to monitor the international trade in fishproduct;
- ✓ to identify the origins of fish imported into or exported from;
- ✓ to determine whether fish imported into or exported from ...are legally fishing;
- ✓ to gather catch data for the scientific evaluation of the stocks.



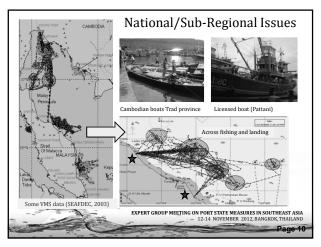


Both of PSM and EC-Regulation

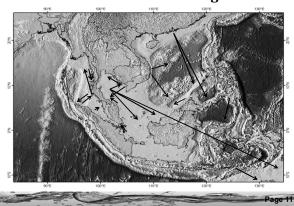
To deter, prevent and eliminate IUU fishing,

- ❖Considering Port State Control/CDS at Global – Regional Level
- Considering EC- Regulation/Catch Certification at Sub-regional/Country Level





Occurrence of IUU Fishing in SEA



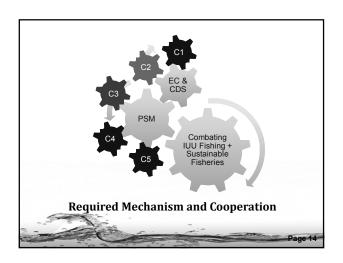
Applying CDS & Certification to SEA

Key Issues of Fisheries Management in sub-region for trans-houndary species

- ❖ Origin of Catch & Data/ Effective fishing logbook system
 - √ Artisanal fisheries/ small-scale fisheries
 - ✓ Commercial fisheries, Large-scale fisheries
- Across-border fish landing / fishing
 - ✓ Port Inspection/ Port Monitoring system
 - ✓ Surveillance system
 - ✓ Enhancing local market
 - ✓ Awareness building at community and local government
- Fishing licensing/ Boat registration
- ❖ Awareness Campaign









Port State Measures and other measures implementation in Japan

Kazuhiko Nagao Fisheries Agency Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries 12 November 2012

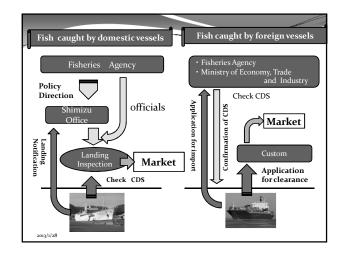
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- Measures by Japan as a port state
- · tuna control
- - CDS for toothfish by CCAMLR
- FAO Port State Measures Agreement
- PSMs, landing inspection and other measures such as CDS for the proper fishery management

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Landing inspection for long-line tuna vessels



landing inspection for tuna vessels

• Purpose :

Confirmation of compliance to conservation and management measures adopted by tuna RFMOs

• Target species :

Atlantic bluefin tuna(BFT) and Southern bluefin tuna(SBT)

• Target vessels :

Fishing vessels, Carrier vessels and container

• Designation of landing ports :

Tokyo, Kawasaki, Yokohama, Yokosuka, Misaki, Shimizu, Oigawa and Yaizu (Landing at other ports are prohibited)

• Inspectors

Fisheries Agency officials (Tokyo HQ and Shimizu office)

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Regulations on Atlantic BFT and SBT fishery by Japanese long-line vessels

• Individual Quota

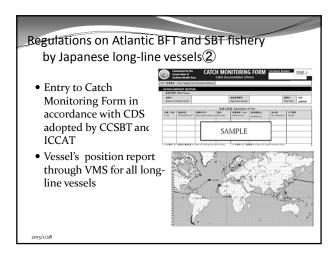
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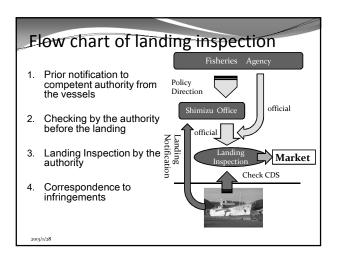
- VMS
- Submission of daily catch report

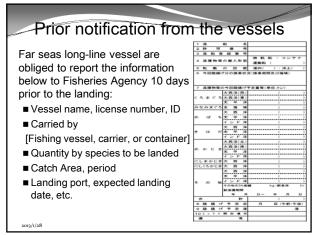
Send information to competent authority of catch position, weight and tag number for each BFT and SBT

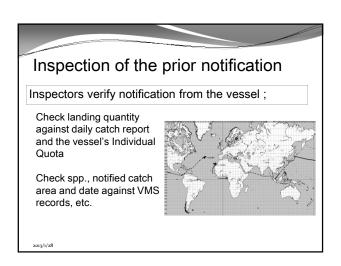
- Compulsory tagging to individual fish
 - put a plastic tag to each BFT and SBT caught
 - vessel's call sign and order of catch are printed on each tag

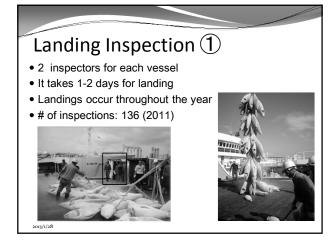
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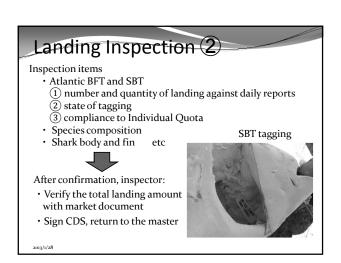


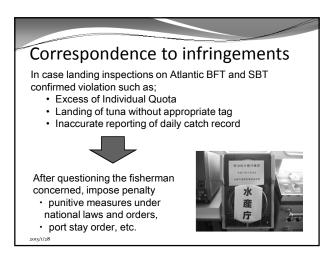


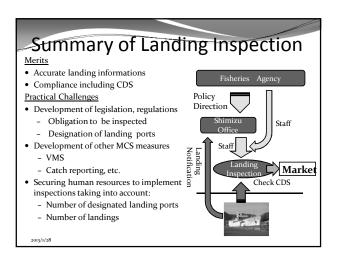










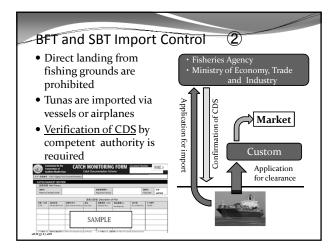


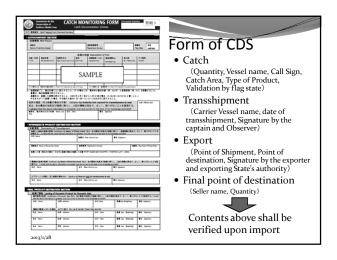
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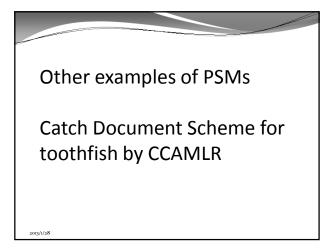
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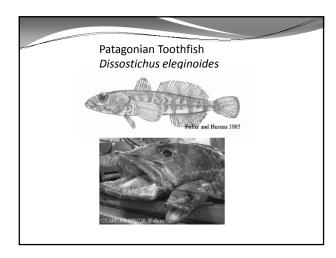
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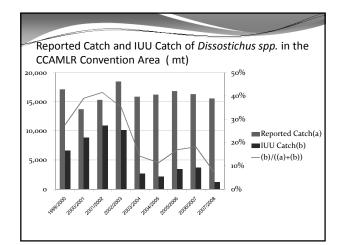
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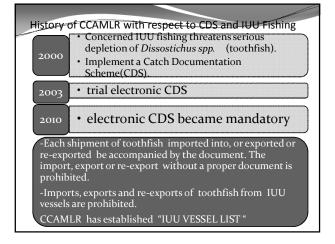


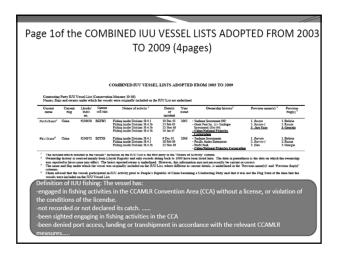


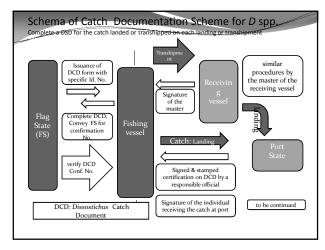


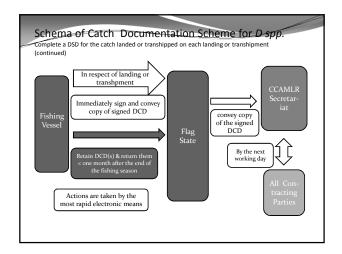


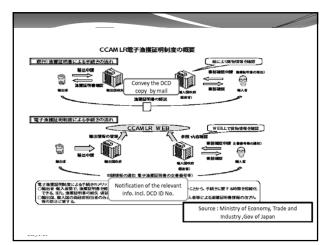












2009 FAO Port State Measures Agreement

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2009 FAO Port State Measures Agreement

- Ratification: EU, Norway, Sri Lanka and Myanmar
- Coverage: any vessel used for fishing or fishing related activities (including transporting, supplying, fueling)
- Designation of ports:
- Denial of Port entry:
- decide whether to authorize or deny the port entry
- deny IUU vessels (listed to RFMO) entry into its port.
- Prohibition of Use of Ports and Port Services: to a vessel engaged in IUU activities by port inspection
- deny landing, transshipping, processing, etc.
- deny use of port services (fuelling, supplying, maintenance and drydocking)

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2009 FAO Port State Measures Agreement ②

- Levels and priorities for inspection: inspect the sufficient number of vessels required by the Agreement. The minimum levels will be agreed on by RFMO.
- Conduct of inspections
- a minimum standard for inspectors functions.
- carried out by properly qualified official.
- examine all relevant areas of the vessel, the fish, the nets and other gear, equipment, and document or record
- Electronic exchange of information
 Member shall establish a electronic exchange of information mechanism.

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2009 FAO Port State Measures Agreement ③

<Discussions so far>

- Targeting any vessel for fishing or fishing related activities (including carrier and bunker); may exceed competence of fisheries authority, requiring agreements with other authorities concerned (e.g. Port authority) and establishments of relevant legislations
- <u>Large number of carrier vessels entering ports</u>; would cause practical challenges for authorities to inspect unless securing enough competence and resources

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Port State Measures, landing inspection and other measures such as CDS for the proper fishery management

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PSMs and landing inspection in Japan

to combat IUU and to improve management:

- Domestic fishing vessel's landings
 →Landing inspection, CDS, VMS
- Foreign fishing vessel's landings directly from fishing grounds
- →Require permit (landing is prohibited)
- Carrier vessel's landings directly transshipped at sea by foreign fishing vessels
 - → Require permit (landings are prohibited)
- Other carrier or container's landings

→CDS, port inspection

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Status of ASEAN tuna fisheries and processing industry

South-eastern Asia areas are one of main fishing grounds for Tuna and Bonito and World's largest processing facilities are located:

→needs to improve landing inspection and check CDS in accordance with decisions of tuna RFMOs

Unit; Million ton

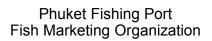
	Production	Production	Tuna and Bonito Export(2009)
Total (a)	90.6	5.4	1.2
ASEAN (b)	16.5	1.0	0.7
(b)/(a)%	18%	19%	58%
		•	EAO: Fiebetat

Discussion

- PSMs are effective means to combat IUU fisheries.
- Landing inspection should be implemented in conjunction with RFMO's measures such as CDS, VMS, and others. Management capacity of each State should be considered.
- Cooperation and sharing of information on IUU activities are essential for the effectiveness of PSMs.
- Modern technology such as VMS, e-CDS, individual tag could strengthen port state performance.
- PSMs should be implemented with priority. Considering large landing, international trade and RFMO's activities, tunas should have high priority in South east Asia.

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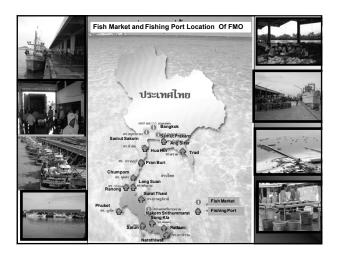


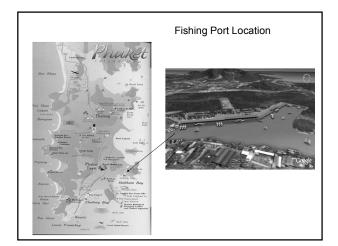


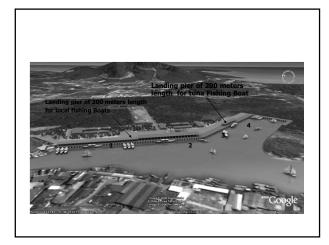


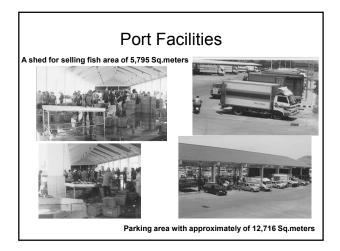


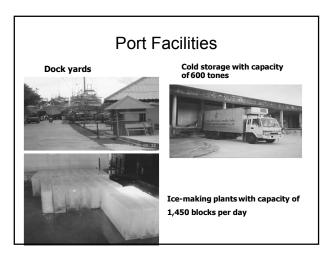
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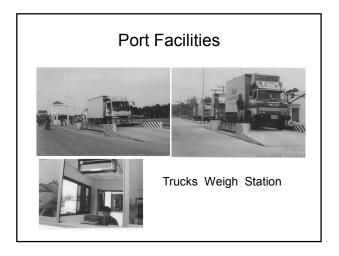


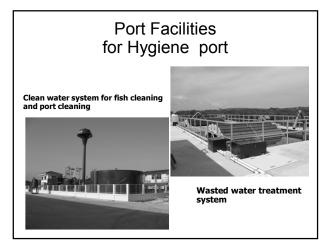


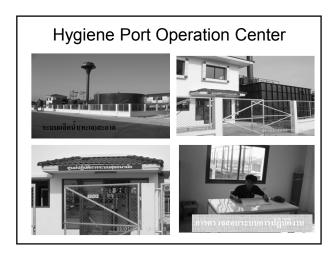




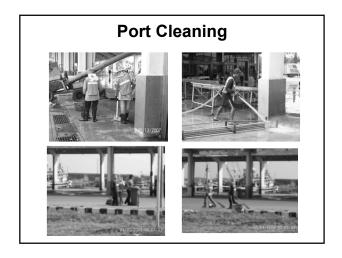




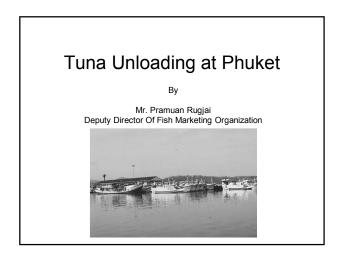


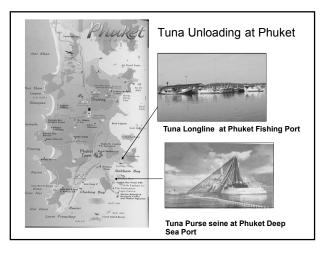


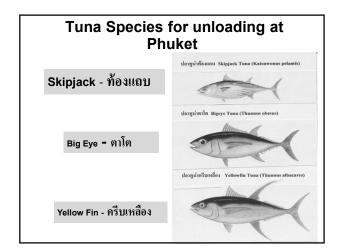


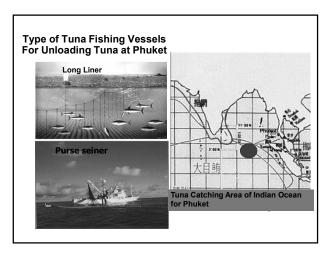


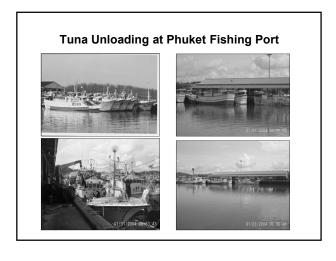


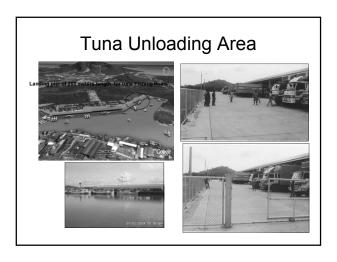










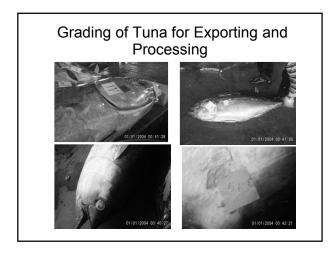


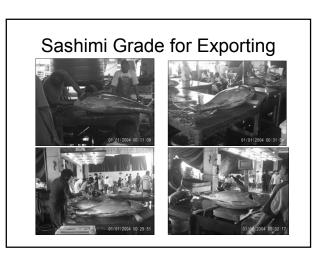


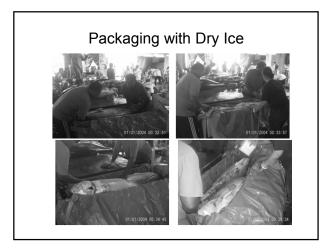








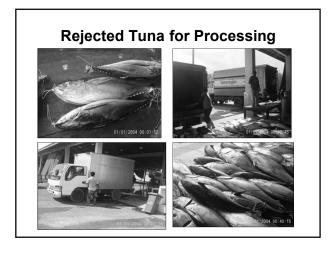


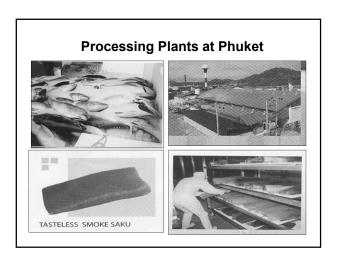


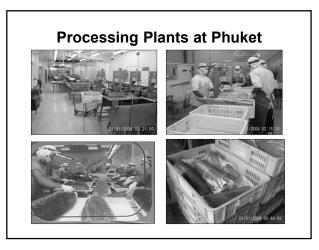




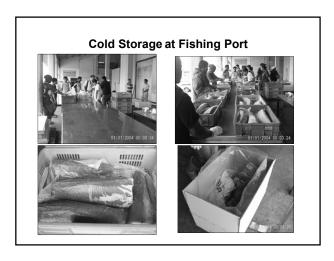


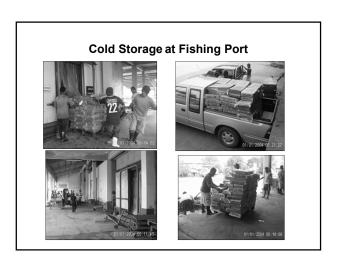




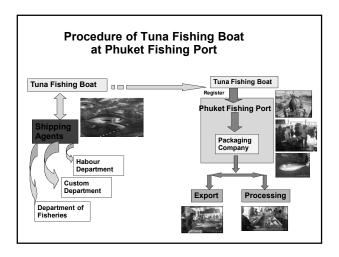


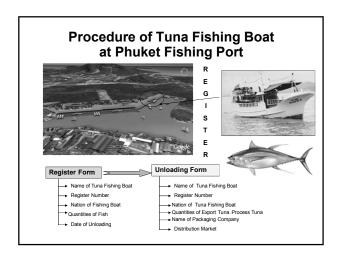
















Strengthening the sub-regional cooperation on Port Monitoring

Introduction

> Problem of overcapacity and uncontrolled fishing is global concern

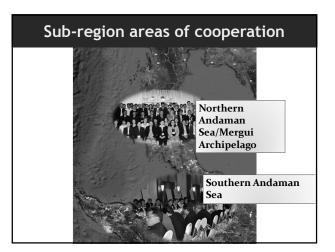
Recent global requirements has been addressed:

- Agreement on Port State Measures to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate IUU Fishing, adopted in 2009
- EC Regulation No 1005/2008 establishing a Community System to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing, effective since 1 January 2010



Areas of promotion the effectiveness of management of fishing capacity

- Strengthening the cooperation among agencies responsible for vessel registration and licensing system.
- Promotion of regional information sharing and cooperation on port monitoring, MCS networks
- Raising awareness of fisher-folk and local government through On-site events at provincial level, sub-regional level.





Importance of Port Monitoring to Fisheries Management

- Port monitoring: monitoring all activities at ports and landing sites in each country.
- Monitoring and inspections should be reviewed data and documentation on fishing activities.
- Improved port monitoring to meet the requirements to implement the PSM Agreement and EC regulation to combat IUU fishing to secure trade flows.



Importance of Port Monitoring to Fisheries Management

- To meet the global demands and requirements on matters such as quality, health, traceability and catch documentation, etc.
- Involvement of all ports and landing sites for the development of port monitoring systems in the each sub-regional areas and the whole of Southeast Asia is a long-term important ambition.



Sub-regional collaboration to facilitate efficient port monitoring

- Strengthen the cooperation among all relevant sectors, institutions and among countries.
- Strengthen institutional knowledge and capacity for responsible agencies and develop a set of standard for port inspection and monitoring.
- Build upon existing well-managed ports to be used as a model for the national development of port monitoring.



Sub-regional collaboration to facilitate efficient port monitoring

- Development of systematic way to share information in the region and sub-regions.
- Improve and implement effective monitoring of catches landed, data collection for reliable information and the sharing of information among institutions and countries.
- Fisheries agencies should reach out, involve and cooperate with authorities responsible for port management and fishing ports to facilitate the efficient use of the facilities of ports and landing places.

Recommendations from the previous events concerning port monitoring

- Building up of working relations for institutions and entities responsible for the management of fishing ports and landing sites.
- Support cooperation and strengthen the role of concerned authorities, e.g. of custom office, immigration office, fishing port authorities, etc. in port monitoring, inspections onboard vessels and to collect relevant data and information

- Strengthen the capacity of personnel groups in fishing ports to improve port management and to be able handle more detailed collection of data and information, such as detailed taxonomic identification, specifications on different types of gears/vessels, etc. and specific aspects related to quality, health and environmental standard
- Explore the application and relevance of the PSM Agreement and agreement to validate the legal status of catches from small-scale fishing vessels landing the catch at border fishing ports

Refer to the Annex E of PSM Agreement

Guideline for the Training of Port State Inspectors

- Health, Safety and Security issues
- Applicable laws and regulations, areas of competence and conservation and management measures of RFMOs, applicable of international law
- collection, evaluation of preservation of evidence
- General inspection procedures such as report writing, interview techniques
- etc

PREVENTING EXPORT OF IUU FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS IN SEAFDEC MEMBER COUNTRIES

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INTRODUCTION

- Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fisheries activities are a worldwide problem, and a challenge for the Southeast Asian region.
- The experiences of the countries to combat IUU fishing should be shared and learned.
- In line with EU initiatives, this project address trade or market measures for combating IUU fishing.

Preventing Export of IUU Fishing Products

- Objectives:
 - $\circ\,$ To collect information regarding export of fish and fishery product.
 - $\circ\,$ To develop draft Regional Guideline to prevent IUU fish and fishery product from being exported.

ACTIVITIES 2011

- ☐ Gathering information regarding export of fisheries products using a set of questionnaires.
- □ A Regional Meeting for information gathering regarding export of fisheries products and recommendation on information required for development of regional guidelines.

Quantity and value of fish and fishery products exported

Export Qu	antity (10	000 MT)
Countries	2009	2010
Brunei Darussalam	-	0.344
Cambodia	30	35
Indonesia	881	1104
Japan	498	566
Lao PDR	-	-
Malaysia	254	287
Myanmar	375	921
Philippines	29	14
Singapore	-	-
Thailand	1875	2058
Vietnam	1200	1350

Export Val	ues (USD	Million)
Countries	2009	2010
Brunei Darussalam		0.72
Cambodia	-	-
Indonesia	2466	2860
Japan	1850	2240
Lao PDR		
Malaysia	700	740
Myanmar	500	480
Philippines	11	90
Singapore	-	-
Thailand	7500	7900
Vietnam	4200	5030

Ranking for quantity and value of fish and fishery products exported

	2009			2010	
Countries	Quantity (1000 MT)	Value (USD Million)	Countries	Quantity (1000 MT)	Value (USD Million)
Brunei Darussalam	-	-	Brunei Darussalam	9	8
Cambodia	7		Cambodia	7	
Indonesia	3	3	Indonesia	3	3
Japan	4	4	Japan	5	4
Lao PDR	-	-	Lao PDR		
Malaysia	6	5	Malaysia	6	5
Myanmar	5	6	Myanmar	4	6
Philippines	8	7	Philippines	8	7
Singapore	-	-	Singapore	-	-
Thailand	1	1	Thailand	1	1
Vietnam	2	2	Vietnam	2	2

			Fi	sher	y Pro	oduc	ts	-	-		
Items of Information	Bru	Cam	Ind	Jap	Lao	Mal	Mya	Phi	Sin	Tha	Vie
Catch certificate		-	Y	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y
Vessel Information	Y	Y		Y	-	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y
Product information	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y
Information For export Declaration	Y	-		Y		Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y
Re- export Certificate		-		Y	-	Y	-	-	-	Y	Y
Transport Details		-		Y	-	Y	-	Y	-	Y	Y
Processed Product information	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y
Health certificate HOB and SPS	Y		Y	Y		Y	Y	Y		Y	Y

Issues on export of fish and fishery products

Issue 1

Under-reporting, double reporting and inadequate monitoring of landings.

Solutions:

- Improve data collection and transparency.
- Strengthen product monitoring systems.
- Enhance awareness and capacity building.
- Encourage the sharing of information.

Issues on export of fish and fishery products

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Trading through informal channel.

Solutions:

- Strengthen informal or formal agreements.
- Strengthen existing mechanism.
- Establish simplified catch certificates.

Issues on export of fish and fishery products

Issue 3:

Informal recording of fish traded.

Solutions:

Harmonize data collection and compilation system Intensify human capacity building (training)

Issues on export of fish and fishery products

Issue 4:

Inadequate recording data onboard

Solutions:

- Establish formal agreements.
- Promote Catch Certification and logbook.
- Develop capacity of fishers or fish masters to use logbooks.
- Incentives to fishers for using logbooks.
- Conduct sampling at ports and landing sites.

Issues on export of fish and fishery products

Issue 5:

Uncontrolled trans-shipment at sea.

Solutions

 Improve legal fisheries framework to use product documentation.

(e.g. MC TD – trans-shipment document of Thailand).

Conclusion from the 2011 Regional Meeting

SEAFDEC Member Countries did make some adjustments to comply with EC Regulations.

The value of the products exported by most SEAFDEC MCs countries are low.

Conduct research on value-adding to improve the value and marketability.



Conclusion from the 2011 Regional Meeting

Health and quality regulations and standards also apply to inland and aquaculture products.

The standards under the EU Regulation should be used as benchmark for preventing the trading of IUU fish and fishery products.

Activities 2012

- Information gathering on process and procedure also the regulation involved.
- Regional Core Expert Meeting on Preventing Export of IUU Fish and Fishery Products, 20 – 22 November 2012, Kuala Lumpur.



Objectives of the Regional Meeting

- To review the issues, processes and procedures in the export of fisheries products;
- To identify the information needed for draft regional guidelines to prevent export of IUU fish and fishery products;
- To formulate a draft regional guideline to prevent export of IUU fish and fishery products;
- To discuss project activities for future implementation.

Envisaged Outcome from Regional Meeting 2012

- Information on issues, processes and procedures for exporting fish and fishery products;
- Draft regional guideline on preventing export of IUU fish and fishery products.

FAO initatives

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Port State Measures

- · Awareness raising workshops
- Workshops on implementation
- · Possibly country capacity building projects (none so far) based on country commitment/requests
- · FAO PortLex countries regulations that support PSM
- http://www.fao.org/fishery/psm/collection/en

Capacity management & IUU

- · Some small initiatives assisting member countries
- Development of NPOA capacity (VietNam)
- · Countries that already have an NPOA IUU?
 - Are any members developing an NPOA?

Flag State Performance

- COFI has asked FAO to develop criteria on how to measure Flag state Performance
- FAO Technical consultation resumed session (5-9 March 2012)
 - Report available
 - ftp://ftp.fao.org/FI/DOCUMENT/tc-fsp/2012/Chairperson_report_9_March_2012.pdf
- · Work ongoing

Global Record

- FAO Technical Consultation to
- " Identify a Structure and Strategy for the Development and Implementation of the Global Record of Fishing Vessels, Refrigerated Transport Vessels and Supply Vessels" (8 12 November 2010)
- Major initiative to get fishing vessels below 100 tonnes into a global record
 - Based around a unique identification (i.e. one vessel one number)
- Unique Identifier is standardized globally
 Critical that any national scheme to register vessels uses an identified that
- would be compatible with the scheme. Phased introduction vessels >50 tonnes
- GR outreach priorities to concentrate on capacity development
- strengthening national register schemes
- There is a full system complete with:
 - software, training guides, for countries and it can be customized as needed.
 All of these tools are ready now if countries request support from FAO.

 Fisheries Act 1985
 Malaysian Maritime
Enforcement Agency
(MMEA)Act 2004
Malaysian Quarantine And
Inspection Services (MAQIS)
Act 2011
Fisheries Development
Continue capacity building Authority Act 1971
• Customs Act 1967
Merchant Shipping Ordinance
1952
Fish Marketing Regulations
of regional fishing vessels • Exclusive Economic Zone Act
2004

Note: MMEA – Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency MAQIS - Malaysia Quarantine Inspection Services LKIM – Fisheries Development Authority of Malaysia

Country		Problems and constraints	P	Proposed solutions	Regulations/Legislations	Agenc	Agencies Involved
Myanmar	•	Inadequate MCS system	• Est.	Establish an efficient MCS	 Myanmar Marine Fisheries Law 	• DO	DOF Myanmar
	•	Deficiency of communications	sys	system to effectively	(1989)	• Imr	Immigrations
	•	Difficulty to cover the long	con	controlling fishing capacity	 Laws relating to the fishing 	Off	Office
		coastal areas	and	and IUU fishing	rights of foreign fishing vessels	• Por	Ports Authority
	•	Insufficient port and landing	Co]	Collaborate and cooperate	(1989)	• Cus	Customs
		facilities	wit	with adjacent coastal		• Pol	Police Force
	•	Inadequate knowledge for	nat	nations in combating IUU		Navy	λ
		international fishing port	fisk	fishing.		• Det	Department of
		inspection and management	- Imi	Implement regional		Ma	Marine
	•	Prevalence of poaching by	000	cooperation frame work		Adı	Administration
		foreign fishing vessels	• Pro	Prompt the exchange of		• Ger	General
			inf	information between		Adı	Administration
			nei	neighboring coastal states		Det	Department
			• Apj	Apply the noble means of			
			con	communications and			
			inf	information networking			
			• Reg	Regulate the appropriate			
			terr	terms and conditions on			
			fisk	fishing vessels between			
			nei	neighboring countries			

Country	Problems and constraints	-	Proposed solutions	Regulations/Legislations	Agencies Involved	lved
Philippines	 Insufficient competent 		 Improve timely networking 	 RA 8550: Philippine 	 DA-BFAR 	
	manpower		mechanism with other	Fisheries Code of 1998	 Philippine Coast 	oast
	 Inadequate monitoring/ 		parties in order to share	 Various Fisheries 	Guard	
	tracking instruments		relevant information related	Administrative Orders	 Philippine 	
	 Limited timely networking 	50	to IUU	(FAOs) related to specific	National Police-	ice-
	mechanism among the port	-	 Enhance the capability of 	regulations	Maritime Group	dno
	states related to IUU		fishery law enforcement	 RA 8435: Agriculture and 	 Philippine Navy 	avy
			agencies and monitoring	Fisheries Modernization Act	 Bureau of 	.
			centers through trainings:	of 1997	Customs	
			a. Boarding and	 RA 7160: Local Government 	 Philippine 	
			inspection protocols	Code of 1999	Fisheries	
			b. Improvement of data	• RA 9147: Wildlife	Development	+
			collection system and	Conservation and Protection	Authority (PFDA)	FDA)
			analysis	Act	 Maritime Agency 	ency
			c. Familiarization among	 Various Bilateral and 	Authority	•
			Law Enforcers on the	International Agreements	(MARINA)	
			different tracking/		 National Bureau 	ean
			monitoring instruments		of Investigation	101
			onboard flag vessels		(NBI)	
			 Improve vessel tracking 		• Local Government	nment
			capability by way of		Units	
			acquiring state- of- the- art		 Non- Government 	ment
			tracking instruments		Organizations	SI
			 Encourage or Compel all 		 Private 	
			Philippine Flag Vessels to		Organizations	<u>v</u>
			install VMS onboard for		I ocal Deputized	, in
			easy monitoring/ tracking		Fish Wardens	7 8
					(LGU)	1

Country		Problems and constraints		Proposed solutions		Regulations/Legislations	A	Agencies Involved
Singapore	•	Multiple agencies involved in	•	Enhance human resources	•	Fisheries Act 1969 (Chapter	•	Maritime Port
		vessels entry to port processes	_	and capacity building		111), Revised Version 2002		Authority of
	•	Multiple stakeholders	•	Develop infrastructures	•	Fishing Vessels (Control and		Singapore (MPA)
		interested in port activities	•	Enhance cooperation at		Licensing) Rules, 1969	•	Agri-Food and
	•	Current limited resources and	_	national level (within	•	Fisheries (Fishing Harbor)		Veterinary
		capability	_	country's agencies) and		Rule, 1971		Authority (AVA)
	•	Current legislations need to	_	regional level	•	Fishing Vessels (Control and	•	Singapore
		be relevant to emerging	_			Licensing) (Amendment)		Customs (SC)
		fisheries issues	_			(Metrication) Rules, 1972	•	Immigration and
			_		•	Fishing Gear (Control and		Checkpoints
			_			Licensing) Rules, 1972		Authority (ICA)
			_		•	Fish Culture (Control and	•	Police / Coast
						Licensing) Rules, 1981		Guard
							•	Navy

Country		Problems and constraints		Proposed solutions	Regulations/Legislations	Agencies Involved	ved
Thailand	•	No specific law and	•	Establish technical	 Vessels registration 	• DOF	
		regulation according to		cooperation program on	 Fishing license 	 Marine 	
		implementation on PSM		PSM to increase capacity	 Fishing under Thai 	Department	
	•	No authorization to inspect on		and number of inspectors.	laws/regulations (right period,	 FMO 	
		fishing vessels, deny entering	•	Strengthen cooperation and	right area, right fishing gear)	 Customs 	
		to port and deny		communication between	 Fishing Logbook (Thai Flag) 	 Ports Authority of 	ty of
		transshipment at port		Department of Fisheries	 Fishing Logbook (RFMO) 	Thailand	
		according to the PSM		and Marine Department of	 Fisheries Act Notification of 	 Immigration 	
		Agreement, due absence of		Thailand other agencies	Ministry of Agriculture and	• Importers	
		necessary laws and		concerned in combating	Cooperatives, Notification of	• Vessel's owners	SIC
		regulations		IUU fishing	Department of Fisheries	• Collectors	1
	•	Lack of monitoring or follow-	•	Revise relevant laws and	e.g. Determination of	Processing plants	ants
		up after inspection		regulations to implement	spawning area, prohibit area	Relevant REMOs	
			Ţ	the PSM Agreement	for trawlers, mesh size		5
			•	Establish electronic	control, fishing record	Marina Dalia	
				information exchange	RFMO resolutions	INIAIIIIC FUIICE	
				system at national, regional,			
				sub-regional and inter-			
				agencies collection for			
				database			
			•	Develop electronic			
			Ţ	traceability system			

Country		Problems and constraints		Proposed solutions		Regulations/Legislations	\mathbf{A}	Agencies Involved
Vietnam	•	Numerous landing sites and	•	Submit project proposal to	•	Vietnam Fisheries Law	•	Department of
		difficulties in managing them		Prime Minister to forecast		(2003)		Fisheries
	•	Increased numbers of small		marine fishing grounds	•	Decision 1690?	•	Research Institute
		fishing boats, difficulties to	•	Effectively implement	•	Decree No. 59/2005/ND-CP		of Marine
		implement control and		program on re-organization		issued on 4 May 2005		Fisheries (RIMF)
		surveillance		of the national inspection		regarding the conditions of	•	Ministry of
	•	Unsystematic technical		system.		trading and production of		Agriculture and
		parameters to properly record	•	Review and reform national		fisheries related occupations.		Rural
		all fishing boats		legal and policy	•	Decree No. 66/2005/ND-CP		Development
	•	Inadequate law frameworks		frameworks in relation to		issued on 19 May 2005		(MARD)
		to manage fishing ports.		MCS activities and PSM		ensuring the safety of	•	Provincial
	•	Insufficient financial and		Agreement and to chart a		fishermen's operations		Fisheries Offices
		human resources in local		Decree to effectively	•	Decree 57/2008/ND-CP		
		fishing port management		manage fishing ports		issued on 2 May 2008 for the		
		authorities for fisheries data	•	Cooperate with countries in		management of marine		
		collection and analysis		the region to widely		protected areas (MPAs).		
	•	Lack of financial resources to		conduct MCS activities and	•	Decree 31/2010/ND-CP on		
		conduct MCS activities		to reduce, prevent and		administrative violations in		
	•	Weak compliance by relevant		eliminate IUU fishing		fisheries sector.		
		stakeholders	•	Involve actively in RFMOs	•	Decree No. 32/2010/ND-CP		
	•	Insufficient information on		(FAO, WCPFC, ICCAT)		on 29 March 2010 for the		
		state of marine resources for		to enhance capacity in		management of foreign		
		effective management of		fisheries management		fishing vessels operating in		
		fishing effort	•	Promote institutional		Vietnam waters.		
	•	Difficulties in implementing		strengthening of fishing	•	Decree No. 33/2010/ND-CP		
		legal documents issued		ports		on 31March 2010 for		
	•	Sanctions is not high enough				management of Vietnam's		
		to limit violations				organizations and individuals		
	•	Institutional arrangements				operating at sea.		
		from central to local levels			•	Decree No. 52/2010/ND-CP		

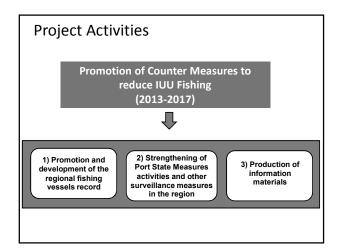
Future Activities Plan on Port State Measures in the Region

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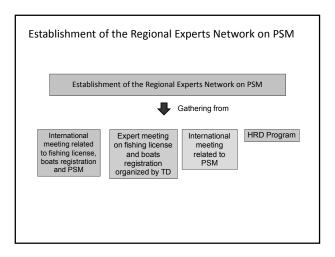
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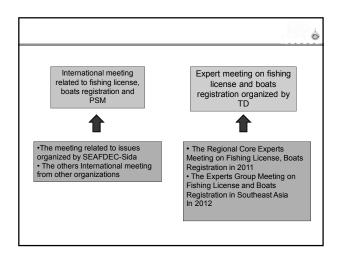
- Counter measures activities to reduce IUU fishing is improved and developed in Southeast Asia
- 2. Awareness building and common understanding on counter measures to reduce IUU fishing is strengthened in Southeast Asia

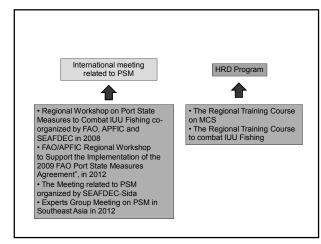


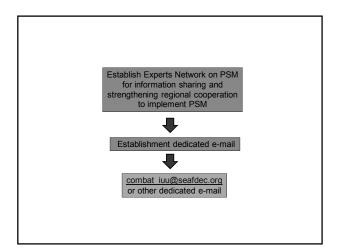
Strengthening of Port State Measures activities and other surveillance measures in the region

On-site training on strengthen of PSMs and other surveillance measures to reduce IUU fishing in the region











THANK YOU

ADOPTED CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIOS

Regional Common Issues and Constraints	Meeting Recommendations	Remarks
General Issues		
Difficulties in implementing the FAO PSM Agreement		
 Multiple jurisdictions by multiple agencies 	Strengthen in-country and regional coordination in implementing PSM	Member Countries to collaborate with FAO and SEAFDEC
involved in implementing PSM	Consider regional cooperation in the implementation of the minimum standards in the PSM Agreement.	Refer to Annexes in PSM Agreement
 This Agreement apply to not only fishing Vessels and also transship 	Learn from the experience of some countries for the implementation of PSM.	Refer to the SOP of Malaysia for the implementation of PSM
vessels and Container vessel carrying fish and fish products	Raise the awareness of related national agencies on PSM for the effective implementation of PSM	Refer to 2011 Plan of Action
Review countries' existing legislations and legal framework to implement PSM with respect to the provisions of the FAO PSM Agreement	Member countries should review existing legislations and legal framework to implement PSM with respect to the provisions of the FAO PSM Agreement Refer to the study conducted by FAO to compare the basic provisions in the PSM Agreement with relevant legislations of three countries in the region, namely: Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand for improving or amending or harmonizing as the case may be of the current relevant laws	Member Countries to review their respective legislations in collaboration with FAO, SEAFDEC, and RPOA-IUU. Member Countries to consider this issue with assistance from SEAFDEC, FAO and ASFAN Secretariat Refer to
	and regulations. Provide technical assistance to countries in amending their respective legislations to include provisions on the implementation of PSM.	the 2011 Plan of Action on the commitment of the Member Countries on the promotion of PSM.
	Consider that policy makers exert efforts to adjust the national legislations	

	and policies in accordance with the provisions in the FAO PSM Agreement. Such initiatives should be submitted for the consideration of FAO COFI, RPOA-IUU, SEAFDEC Council and ASWGFi.	
(Other relevant measures) Promotion of catch documentation and certification schemes	Facilitate implementation of catch documentation scheme and catch certification scheme on domestic and foreign fishing vessels. Develop standard operating procedures on ports inspection and relevant port procedures.	Member Countries to consider this issue.
Specific Issues		
Implementation working model for ports using PSM and other relevant measures	Building capacity and learning from the example of such model ports, for the countries.	Member Countries with assistance from SEAFDEC and FAO requested
	Consider the proposal of Thailand to develop a model port in the country where many foreign vessels land, to be used as an example for the development of model ports in the Southeast Asian countries.	On-site training in the countries should aimed to develop the capability of port inspectors, enforcers and other concerned staff (including those from
	Conduct of regional and national on-site training (tailor-made) for relevant staff including inspectors and enforcers to be able to implement PSM and other relevant measures as well as to interpret legal instruments effectively.	non-fisheries agencies)
Improvement infrastructures and facilities to implement PSM and other relevant measures	Improve capability of countries in accessing the legally updated data bases including list of fishing vessels known as IUU fishing vessels (from national central offices) for the effective enforcement of PSM through the acquisition of state-of-the-art instruments and facilities.	Member Countries to improve their respective facilities and capabilities.
	Improve the facilities and capabilities in port harbors and other infrastructures to enhance the implementation of PSM.	
Communications and restricted information sharing on PSM	Promote exchange of experiences and lessons learned in the implementation of PSM through training cum workshops involving all target groups.	Assistance of SEAFDEC in collaboration with FAO requested

	Enhance the awareness of all stakeholders to understand the need to implement PSM and other relevant measures through prints, media, and the website (e.g. information materials for the awareness of target groups).	
Other issues relevant to the im	Other issues relevant to the implementation of PSM and other relevant measures	
Fishing vessel registration		
 Double flagging 	Need to conduct internal discussions with respective Ministries of Transport or on the procedures of registration, de-registration and dual flagging, by specifically looking at the procedures of notification.	Member Countries to addressing this issue as flag states accordingly.
	Ensure that vessels appearing to be foreign but flying national flags are	Should be clarified with respective Ministries of Transport or other
	not involved in dual flagging and not engaged in IUU fishing, before gaining entry to ports.	agencies involved in vessels registration and Departments of Fisheries of the Member countries
	Review of flag state control should be conducted to address possible double flagging of vessels.	SEAFDEC to assist Member
Regional Fishing Vessels Record	Request countries to facilitate in providing their respective updated information on national vessels to promote the regional fishing vessels record and enhance port monitoring activities	
MCS system including VMS networking	Strengthen cooperation among neighboring (trans-boundary) countries in adapting the MCS network through sub-regional agreements	SEAFDEC to assist Member Countries
Additional information required from other Member Countries	Compile country information on the implementation of PSM for Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia and Indonesia (may be for Lao PDR also) which were not represented during the Meeting, with assistance from the respective members of RFPN.	SEAFDEC to officially communicate this matter to the concerned countries.

CLOSING REMARKS

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Distinguished Guests, Participants, Ladies and Gentlemen, Good afternoon!

First of all, please allow me to thank you for your active participation during our three-day Meeting. We are also very thankful to the representatives and experts from the SEAFDEC Member Countries for providing the Meeting with updates of their respective efforts in combating IUU fishing. As envisioned, the outputs from this Meeting would be used for the development of appropriate Port State Measures activities for our region. Although this is surely a very difficult task to undertake, but we have to do it as it is one of the most important means of combating IUU fishing in our region.

At this juncture, please allow me to assure you that SEAFDEC would strengthen the collaborative efforts that we have enhanced during this Meeting. The problems and challenges that were identified as impediments in the implementation of Port State Measures activities could be used as inputs for the development of the Port State Measures and other measures. As we have mentioned earlier, this could be our significant contributions to all efforts towards combating IUU fishing in this region, considering that IUU fishing has greatly affected the recovery of depleted fish stocks as well as the sound condition of the ecosystems.

With our strengthened collaboration, SEAFDEC would continue to make efforts to find the ways and means of addressing the impacts brought about by IUU fishing. Although this Meeting is only one of such efforts, but intensifying the promotion of the Port State Measures and other measures could eventually pave the way towards reducing IUU fishing in this region. We are therefore very hopeful that the summary of problems and challenges that confront the countries while in the process of implementing the Port State Measures activities, would lead us to the development of relevant activities on Port State Measures and other measures that would benefit our region.

With that Ladies and Gentlemen, let me now declare this Experts Group Meeting closed. Lastly, I wish you all safe journey on your return to your respective countries. Thank you once again and hope to see you again when we discuss our next steps that would finally lead us to attaining our objective of reducing IUU fishing in Southeast Asia. Thank you and good day!

