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INDIAN FISHERY HANDBOOK



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PREFACE

India is a major player in the global seafood market offering a wide variety of products that suits the global palette. The Indian seafood export trade has crossed US \$ 7 billion with the products from India exported to over 110 countries, with USA, South East Asia, European Union and Japan as major markets. Indian seafood processing units follow world class standards in infrastructure facilities and ensure food safety. The production system are also monitored and subjected to regulatory inventions to ensure the quality standards. A growing number of units are turning largely to the production of value added and convenience products commensurate with the international and domestic demand as well.

India is blessed with a variety of seafood resources to choose from, which entitles to enjoy great demand all over the world. This Handbook illustrates about the commercially most important fin fishes and shell fishes of India. I am sure that this will be a useful guide to all those who are interested in Indian seafood.

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Commercially important varieties of Crustaceans

Shrimps / Prawns

1 Indian White Prawn

- 2. Black Tiger Prawn
- 3. Mandapam Flower Prawn
- 4. Pacific white Shrimp
- 5. Pink Shrimp
- 6. Brown Shrimp
- 7. King Prawn
- 8. Karikadi/Kiddi Shrimp
- 9. Jawala Paste Shrimp
- 9. Deep Sea Shrimp
- 10. Arabian Red Shrimp
- 11. Humpback Nylon Shrimp
- 12. Indian Freshwater Prawn

(Fenneropenaeus indicus) (Penaeus monodon) (Penaeus semisulcatus) (Litopenaeus vannamei) (Metapenaeus dobsoni) (Metapenaeus monoceros) (Metapenaeus affinis) (Parapenaeopsis stylifera) (Acetes indicus) (Solenocera spp.) (Aristeus alcoki) (Heterocarpus gibbosus) (Macrobrachium rosenbergii)

- a) Mud Spiny Lobster
 b) Scalloped Spiny Lobster
 c) Ornate Spiny Lobster
- 2. Sand Lobster
- 3. Deep sea Lobster

Crabs

- 1. Mud crab
- a) 3-Spot Swimming Crab
 b) Blue Swimming Crab
 c) Crucifix Crab

- (Panulirus polyphagus) (Panulirus homarus) (Panulirus ornatus)
- (Thenus orientalis) (Puerulus sewelli)
- a) (Scylla serrata) b) (Scylla tranquebarica)
- (Portunus sanguinolentus) (Portunus pelagicus) (Charybdis feriatus)

INDIAN WHITE PRAWN



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish

Indian White Prawn Fenneropenaeus indicus Crevette Ebi Camaron

Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Trawl net, cast net, stake net

Throughout the year except monsoon season Entire West coast and South-East coast of India

Kerala and Karnataka coasts

BLACK TIGER PRAWN



Irade Name
Scientific name
French
Japanese
Spanish

Black Tiger Prawn *Penaeus monodon* Crevette Ebi Camaron

- Trawl net, cast net, stake net
- November to May
- East coast and South-West coast of India
- West Bengal and Orissa coasts

MANDAPAM FLOWER PRAWN



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Mandapam Flower Prawn Penaeus semisulcatus Crevette Ebi Camaron

- Trawl net
- October to November
- East and West coasts of India
- Karnataka, Goa, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Gujarat

PACIFIC WHITE SHRIMP



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Scientific name	: .	Litopena
French	: .	Crevette
Japanese	: '	Vannam
Spanish	: 0	Camaro
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Peak season Distribution

- May to September Eastern Pacific ocean

FLOWER PRAWN



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Flower Prawn *Melicertus canaliculatus* Crevette Ebi Camaron

- Trawl net
- January to June
- East and West coasts of India
- Karnataka, Goa, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Gujarat

PINK SHRIMP



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Pink shrimp *Metapenaeus dobsoni* Crevette Ebi Camaron

- Trawl net & stake net
- July to October
- West and East coasts of India
- Kerala and Karnataka coasts

BROWN SHRIMP / SAND SHRIMP



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Brown Shrimp *Metapenaeus monoceros* Crevette Ebi Camaron

- Trawl net
- November to May
- West and East coasts of India
- Coasts of Andhra Pradesh and Orissa

KING PRAWN



KIDDI (KARIKADI) SHRIMP



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Kiddi (Karikadi) Shrimp *Parapenaeopsis stylifera* Crevette Ebi Camaron Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Trawl net

:

- May to September
- Both the coasts but more in South-West coast

Kerala and Karnataka coasts

JAWALA PASTE SHRIMP



Trade Name Scientific name Jawala Paste Shrimp Acetes indicus Gear used:Dol netPeak season:September to MarchDistribution:North-West and North-East coast of IndiaAreas of abundance:Maharashtra, Gujarat, and coasts of
Andaman and Nicobar Islands

ARABIAN RED SHRIMP



Trade Name	
Scientific name	
French	
Japanese	
Spanish	

Arabian Red Shrimp (Red Ring) *Aristeus alcoki* Crevette / Nordialue Hokkokuakaebi Camaron Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Trawl net

November to April

Arabian Sea, Bay of Bengal, Gulf of Aden

: Off Kerala coast

HUMPBACK NYLON SHRIMP



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Humpback Nylon Shrimp Heterocarpus gibbosus Crevette / Nordialve Hokkakuakaebi Camaron

- Trawl net
- November to Apri
- Indiaincluding Andaman Sea
- 250 400 m off Kerala coast

DEEP SEA SHRIMP



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish

Deep sea Shrimp Solenocera spp. Crevette Ebi Camaron

Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Trawl net

- February to May Both the East-West coast
- South-West coast

GIANT RIVER PRAWN



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Giant River Prawn / Scampi Macrobrachium rosenbergii Bouquet ge'ant Canalou gigante Onitenanga ebi Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Cast net and other indigenous gear September to November In fresh and brackish waters along both coasts Lakes of West Bengal, Orissa and Kerala

ORNATE SPINY LOBSTER



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish

Ornate Spiny Lobster Panulirus ornatus Langouste Nishiki-ebi Langosta

Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Lobster trap, Trawl net and scoop net

Throughout the year, except Dec - January West and South-East coasts of India

Tamil Nadu & Maharashtra coast

SAND LOBSTER



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Sand Lobster *Thenus orientalis* Cigate raquette Uchiwa-ebi-modoki Cigarra chata

- Lobster pots, Trawl net etc.
- Throughout the year particularly from Sep.-Feb.
- West and East coasts of India
- Karnataka, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Orissa coasts

DEEP SEA LOBSTER / ARABIAN WHIP LOBSTER



Trade Name	:
Scientific name	:
French	:
Japanese	:
Spanish	:

Deep Sea Lobster *Puerulus sewelii* Langouste Isebi Langosta

Gear used	:	Trawl net
Peak season	:	Throughout the year particularly from December
		to January
Distribution	:	South- West and South-East coasts of India
Areas of abundance	:	Tamil Nadu and off Kerala coast

MUD CRAB



Trade Name Mud Crab Gear used Crab Traps, Baited ring net traps and Drag nets Scientific name Scylla serrata Peak season July to October French Crabe Distribution West and East coasts of India Japanese Kani Areas of abundance Off the coasts of Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Spanish Cangrejo Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh

THREE SPOT SWIMMING CRAB



Irade Name	
Scientific name	
French	
Japanese	
Spanish	

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Three Spot Swimming Crab Portunus sanguinolentus Crabe Kani Cangrejo

- Trawl net and Shore seines
- July to October
- West and East coasts of India
- Off the coasts of Andhra Pradesh, Kerala,. Karnataka and Gujarat

BLUE SWIMMING CRAB



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Blue Swimming Crab Portunus pelagicus Crabe Kani Cangrejo

- : Trawl net, Drag net and Shore seines
- July to Octoberr
- : West and East coasts of India
- : Off the coasts of West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala,. Tamil Nadu Karnataka and Maharashtra

CRUCIFIX CRAB



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Crucifix Crab *Charybdis feriatus* Crabe Kani Cangrejo

- Trawl net
- July to December
- West and East coasts of India
- Off the coasts of Maharashtra, Gujarat and Tamil Nadu

MOLLUSCS

Cephalopods

1. Cuttlefish

- a) (Sepia pharaonis) b) (S.elliptica)
- 2. Squid
- a) (Loligo duvauceli) b) (L. singhalensis)
- c) (Sepioteuthis lessoniana)

3. Octopus

- a) (Octopus membranaceous) b) (O.dollfusi)
- c) (Cystopus indicus)

Bivalves

- 1. Green Mussel
- 2. Clam
- 3. Indian Black clam
- 4. Baby Clam
- 5. Short Neck Clam
- 5. Oyster
- 6. Pearl Oyster
- 8. Whelk

(Perna viridis) (Meretrix meretrix) (Villorita cyprinoides) (Marcia opima) (Paphia malabarica) (Crassostrea madrasensis) (Pinctada spp.) (Babylonia spp.)

PHARAOH CUTTLEFISH



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Pharaoh Cuttlefish *Sepia pharaonis* Seche Ko-ika Jibia

Ģ	Gear used
F	eak season
D	Distribution
Α	reas of abundance

:	Trawl net and Shore seines
:	July to December
:	West and East coasts of India
:	Palk bay, Tamil Nadu & coast of Maharashtra,
	Kerala, Karnataka and Gujarat

INDIAN SQUID



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Indian Squid *Loligo duvauceli* Calmar Ika Calamar

- Trawl net
- September to May
- West and East coasts of India
- Gujarat, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh coasts

NEEDLE SQUID



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Needle Squid Loligo singhalensis Calmar Ika Calamar Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Trawl net September to May West and East coasts of India

Kerala coast

OCTOPUS (MARBLED OCTOPUS)



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Octopus (Marbled Octopus) *Octopus dollfusi* Poulpe ma-dako Tako Pulpo Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Octopus pot and Trawl net August to September, April, May, June West and East coasts of India off Lakshadweep Off Lakshadweep coast

GREEN MUSSEL



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish	:	Green Mussel <i>Perna viridis</i> Moule Igai Meiiilon	Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance	:	Hand picking July to November West and East coasts of India and Port Blair Coasts of Kerala,Karnataka, Ratnagiri, Gulf of Kutch and Kakinada Bay	
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SHORT NECK CLAM



Irade Name	
Scientific name	
French	
Japanese	
Spanish	

Short Neck clam / Yellow Foot Clam *Paphia malabarica* Clam Nimaigai Almeja

- Hand picking, Hand dredging & Mechanized dredging
 July to November
- : West and East coasts of India
- Along the coasts of Kerala,Karnataka, Goa, Maharashtra and Kakinada Bay

ASIATIC HARD CLAM



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese	:	Asiatic Hard Clam <i>Meretrix meretrix</i> Clam Kaki	Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance	:	Hand picking July to November West and East coasts of India and Port Blair Coasts of Kerala, Karnataka, Ratnagiri, Gulf of Kutch and Kakinada Bay
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INDIAN BLACK CLAM



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese .

Indian Black Clam *Villorita cyprinoides* Clam Kaki Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Hand picking & scoop nets

July to November

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West and East coasts of India

Coasts of Kerala, Karnataka, and Kakinada Bay

INDIAN BACKWATER OYSTER



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Indian Backwater Oyster Crassostrea madrasensis Huitre Kaki Ostra Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Hand picking August to February South-West and South-East coasts of India Off the coasts of Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Kerala coasts

INDIAN WHELK / INDIAN BABYLON



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish

Indian Whelk / Indian Babylon Babylonia zeylanica Baigai Bocena Well horns chnicke

- Trawl and Hand picking
- Throughout the year East and West coasts
- Tamil Nadu and Kerala

SPIRAL WHELK / SPIRAL BABYLON



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spiral Babylon/Spiral Whelk *Babylonia spirata* Baigai Bocena

- Trawl and Hand picking
- Throughout the year
- East and West coasts
- Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka

ELASMOBRANCHS

Sharks

- Indian dog shark
 Spot tail shark
 White cheek shark
- 4. Smooth hammer head shark

Rays

- Whip tail sting ray
 Flap nose ray

MILK SHARK



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Milk Shark *Rhizoprionodon acutus* Requin 'a museau pointu Same, Fuka Cazon picudo

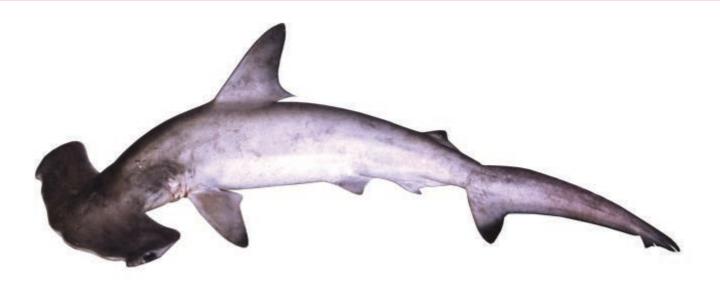
- Bottom trawling, Longline, Trammel net
- Throughout the year
- West and East coasts of India
- Maharashtra & Gujarat coasts

BLACK TIP SHARK



Trade Name	•	Black Tip Shark	Gear used	:	Hook and Long line and Trawl net
Scientific name	÷	Carcharhinus limbatus	Peak season	:	Throughout the year particularly from September
French	:	Requin			to April
Japanese	:	Same, Fuka	Distribution	:	West and East coasts of India
Spanish	:	Tiburone	Areas of abundance	:	Coasts of Kerala, Maharashtra & Gujarat
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SMOOTH HAMMER HEAD SHARK



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Smooth Hammer Head Shark Sphyrna zygaena Requin-marteau Shiroshumoko Pez martillo

- Hook and line and Trawl net
- January to May
- South-Éast coast of India
- Port Novo (Tamil Nadu coast)

COWTAIL STING RAY



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish

Cowtail Sting Ray Pastinachus sephen Dasyatis Ei, Kasabe Raya

- Hook and line, Trawl net

- December to May Tropical Indo-West Pacific Gujarat and Tamil Nadu coast

JAVANESE COW NOSE RAY



Trade Name	
Scientific name	
French	
Japanese	
Spanish	

Javanese Cow Nose Ray *Rhinoptera javanica* Raie Ei, Kasube Raya

- Hook and line, Trawl net and Shore seine
- January to May
- South-East coasts of India
- Cape Comorin (Tamil Nadu coast)



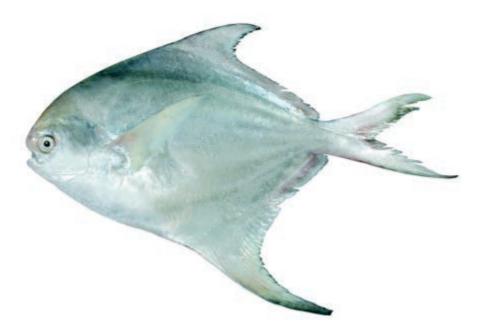
POMFRETS SCOMBROIDS PERCHES SCIAENIDS

RIBBON FISHES CAT FISHES SARDINES AND ANCHOVIES FLAT FISHES OTHERS

POMFRETS

- Silver / white Pomfret (*Pampus argenteus*)
 Chinese Pomfret (*Pampus chinensis*)
- 3. Black Pomfret (Parastromateus niger)

SILVER POMFRET



Trade Name
Scientific name
French
Japanese
Spanish

Silver Pomfret Pampus argenteus Castagnole Managatsuo Pampano

Gear used Peak season Distribution

Areas of abundance

- Gill net, Dol net and Trawl net
- September to January North, Middle-West and North-East Coasts of India
- Maharashtra, Gujarat and Orissa coasts

CHINESE POMFRET



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Chinese Pomfret Pampus chinensis Castagnole Managatsuo Pampano

- Gill net and Dol net
- August to December and March
- East and West coasts of India
- Maharashtra and Gujarat coasts

BLACK POMFRET



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Black Pomfret Formeo niger Castagnole Managatsuo Pampano Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Gill net and Trawl net

- August to December
- East and West coasts of India
- Maharashtra and Gujarat coasts

SCOMBROIDS

Varieties Indian Mackerel (Rastrelliger kanagurta)

Seer Fish

- 1. Narrow barred spanish Mackerel (Scomberomorus commerson)
- 2. Streaked Spanish Mackerel (Scomberomorus lineolatus)
- 3. Indo-Pacific King Mackerel (Scomberomorus guttatus)
- 4. Wahoo (Acanthocybium solandri)

Tuna & Tuna like fishes

- 1. Little tunny / Kawakawa (*Euthynnus affinis*)
- 2. Yellow fin tuna (*Thunnus* albacares)
- 3. Big eye tuna (*Thunnus obesus*)
- 4 Skipjack tuna (Katsuwonus pelamis)
- 5. Longtail tuna (*Thunnus tunggol*)
- 6. Frigate tuna (Auxis thazard)
- 7. Dogtooth tuna (*Gymnosarda unicolor*)
- 8. Oriental bonito (Sarda orientalis)

INDIAN MACKEREL



Trade Name Scientific name French 1

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Indian Mackerel *Rastrelliger kanagurta* Maquereau Du pacifique

Gear used	:	Gill net, Shore seine & Purse seine
Peak season	:	August to November
Distribution	:	South, Middle-West and South-East coasts of India
Areas of abundance	:	Karnataka and Kerala coasts

SEER FISH

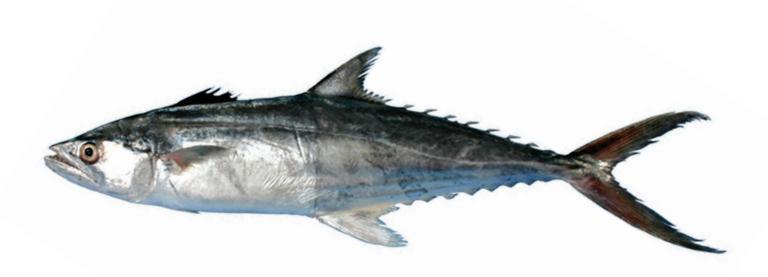


Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish 1

Seer Fish Scomberomorus commerson Thazard Sawara Carita

- Hook and line, Drift net and gill net
- October to December
- East and West coasts of India
- Coasts of Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka

SPANISH MACKEREL



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Spanish Mackerel Scomberomorus lineolatus Thazard Magurorui Atun

- Drift gill nets, Purse seine, Troll, Midwater trawl
- October to December
- East and West coasts of India & Sri Lanka
- West coast of India

INDO-PACIFIC KING MACKEREL



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Indo Pacific King Mackerel Scomberomorus guttatus Thazard Sawara Larita

- Hook and line, Drift net and gill net
- October to December
- East and West coasts of India
- Gujarat, Maharashtra, Kerala and Andaman coasts

LITTLE TUNNY (KAWAKAWA)



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Little Tunny / Kawakawa *Euthynnus affinis* Thon Maguro-rui Atun

- Long line and hook and line
- October to may
- South-West coasts of India
- Kerala, Lakshadweep and Andamans coasts

YELLOWFIN TUNA



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish

Yellowfin Tuna Thunnus albacares Thon Maguro-rui Atun

- Long line and hook and line October to january East and West coasts of India
- Lakshadweep, Andamans, Gulf of Mannar and Ratnagiri coasts

BIG EYE TUNA



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Big Eye Tuna *Thunnus obesus* Thon Maguro-rui Atun Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance

Long line

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Throughout the year particularly in October to May Suth-West and East coasts of India & Lakshadweep Lakshadweep Islands, Gulf of Mannar, Vizhinjam and Ratnagiri coasts

SKIPJACK TUNA



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Skipjack Tuna *Katsuwonus pelamis* Thon Maguro-rui Atun

- Purse seine & Pole and line
- October to April
- Off West and East coasts of India
- Andamans and Lakshadweep Islands

PERCHES

Varieties

Snappers

- 1. Mangrove red snapper (Lutjanus argentimaculatus)
- 2. Blood-red snapper (Lutjanus sanguineus)
- 3. Black spot snapper (L. fulviflamma)
- 4. Emperor red snapper (L. sabae)
- 5. Hunched snapper (L. gibbus)
- 6. Two spot snapper (L. bohar)
- 7. Blue and Yellow snapper (L. kasmira)
- 8. Malabar snapper (L. malabaricus)

Rock cods

- 1. Malabar reef cod (*Epinephelus malabaricus*)
- 2. Greasy grouper (*E. tauvina*)
- 3. Dusky tail grouper (*E. bleekeri*)
- 4. Areolate grouper (E. areolatus)
- 5. Red banded grouper (*E. fasciatus*)
- 6. Brown marbled grouper (E. fuscoguttatus)
- 7. Brown spotted grouper (*E. chlorostigma*)

Pigface breams

- 1. Stally Emperor bream (*Lethrinus nebulosus*)
- 2. Yellow banded emperor bream (L. ramok)
- 3. Longface pigface bream (L. elongatus)

SNAPPER



Trade Name
Scientific name
French
Japanese

Snapper Lutjanus spp. Vivaneau Tarumi feudai

- Trawl net
- September to January East and West coasts of India
- Malabar coast of Kerala

CRESCENT SNAPPER



Trade Name	
Scientific name French	
Japanese	

Crescent Snapper (Lunartail snapper) *Lutjanus lunulatus* Vivaneauquelle lune Tarumi feudai Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Handlines, Traps, Gill nets December East coast of India South-East coast of India

BLUE & YELLOW SNAPPER



 Trade Name
 :
 Blue & Yellow Snapper

 (Common blue stripe snapper)

 Scientific name
 :
 Lutjanus kasmira

- Handlines, Traps & Gill nets
- September to January
- East and West coasts of India
- North-West & South-East coasts of India

CRESCENT PERCH



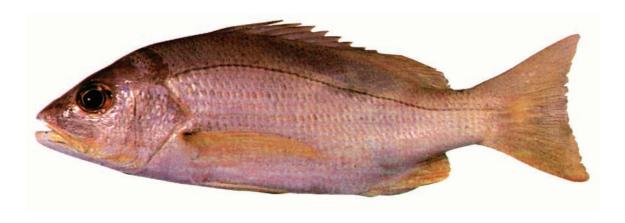
Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese

Crescent Perch Terapon jarbua Perca Pesce, Persico

Gear used

- All types of inshore fishing gears including gill nets & bottom trawls
- September to January
- Indio-West pacific
- All along the coast of India

DORY SNAPPER



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Dory Snapper *Lutjanus fulviflamma* Vivaneau Tarumi feudai

- Hand lines, Traps & Gill nets
- January
- East and West coasts of India
- Tamil Nadu coasts

BROWN LINED REEF COD



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Brown Lined Reef cod Epinephelus undulosus Meron Hata Mero, Cherne

- Trawl net
- August to December
- West and East coasts of India
- Off Kerala coast

LONG SPINE GROUPER



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Long Spine Grouper Epinephelus longispinis Merounonguese epines Tarumi feudai Mercespigon

- Trawl net, Hook and line, Traps
- January to February
- Western Indian Ocean southward to S.Africa
- West coast & South-East coasts

REEF COD



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Reef Cod *Epinephelus Sp.* Meron Hata Mero

- Trawl net and Gill net
- August to December
- South-East coasts of India
- Tamil Nadu coast

BLEEKER'S GROUPER

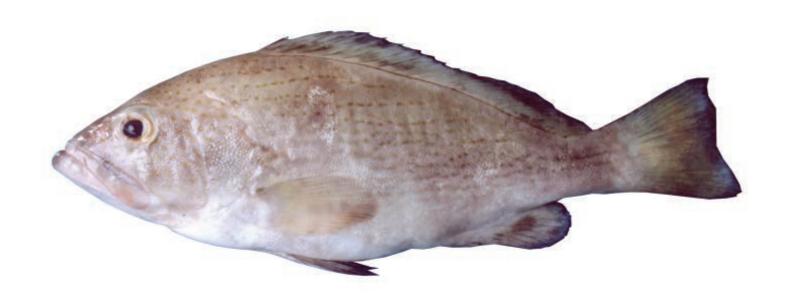


Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish

Bleeker's Grouper Epinephelus bleekeri Meron demidenil Hata Mero medioluto

- Hook & line, Gill nets & Traps
- January to February Indo-West Pacific from Sri Lanka
- North-West & South-West coasts of India

BANDED GROUPER



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish

Banded Grouper Epinephelus lalifasciatus Meron a bandes Hata Mero abanderado

- Hook & line, Gill nets & Traps
- January to February Coasts of India & Sri Lanka
- West coast of India & around Sri Lanka

TOMATO BANDED GROUPER



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish

Tomato Banded Grouper Cephalopholis sonnerati Veille ananas Hata Cherna pina

- Hook & line, Traps & Gill nets
- January to February Western Indian Ocean
- West coasts of India and around Sri Lanka

THORNYCHEEK GROUPER



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Thornycheek Grouper Epinephelus diacanthus Meron epineux Hata Mero espinudo Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Traw

- January to February
- Coasts of Pakistan, India & Sri Lanka
- West & South-East coast of India

AREOLATED GROUPER



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Areolated Grouper Epinephelus areolatus chlorostigma Meron pintade Hata Mero pintado

- Traps, Hook & line, Gill nets
- January to February
- Western Indian Ocean
- West & South-East coasts of India

SCIAENIDS (CROAKERS)

varieties

- 1. Sin croaker (Johnius dussumieri)
- 2. Pale spot fin croaker (Johnius glaucus)
- 3. Blackmouth croaker (Atrabucca nibe)
- 4. Bigeye croaker (*Pennahia anea*)
- 5. Blotched croaker (*Nibea maculata*)
- 6 Tiger tooth croaker (Otolithes ruber)
- 7. Sharp toothed raniner croaker (Johnieops vogleri)
- 8. Blackspotted croaker / Ghol (Protonibea diacanthus)
- 9. Lesser tiger tooth croaker (Otolithes cuvieri)
- 10. Bronze croaker (Otolithoides biauritus)
- 11. Corvina (Daysciaena albida)

BLACK SPOTTED CROAKER



Irade Name
Scientific name
French
Japanese
Spanish

Black Spotted Croaker Protonibea diacanthus Courbine pintade Hata Covina pintada

- Bottom trawls & Gill nets
- July to March
- West and East coast of India & Sri Lanka
- Gujarat & Maharashtra coasts

PANNA CROAKER



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Panna Croaker/Lesser Tigertooth Croaker *Panna microdon* Tambour Guchi Corbina Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance

- Trawl net and Gill net
- October to March

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- East & West coasts of India
- Kerala and Maharashtra coast

SHARP TOOTH HAMMER CROAKER



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Sharp Tooth Hammer Croaker Johnieops vogleri Tambour Guchi Corbina

- Bottom trawls and Gill net
- October to March
- East & West coasts of India
- Kerala and Maharashtra coast

SIN CROAKER



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Sin Croaker Johnius dussumieri Coutbine Chinoise Guchi Coroina China Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Bottom trawls, Bottom setgill nets, Bagnets September to December Eastern Indian Ocean & Western Central Pacific West coast of India

SILVER BANDED JEWFISH



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Silver Banded Jewfish Otolithus argenteus Coutbine Chinoise Guchi Coroina

- Bottom trawls, Bottom set gill nets, Bagnets
- October to December
- Indo-West Pacific
- West coast of India

GREEN BACKED JEWFISH



Irade Name	
Scientific name	
French	
Spanish	

Green Backed Jewfish (Soldier Croaker) *Johnius soldado* Courbine Corvina

Gear used
Peak season
Distribution
Areas of abundance

:

- Bottom trawls, Gill nets & Hand lines October to March
- North-West coast of India (Indo-West Pacific)
- Maharashtra & Gujarat coasts

CARANGIDS

Horse mackerel / Scads

- 1. Torpedo scad (Megalaspis cordyla)
- Interpreter Scale (Megalaspis Condervita)
 Double spotted queen fish (Scomberoides lysan)
 Bigeye scad (Selar crumenophthalmus)
 Shrimp scad (Alepes djedaba)
 Yellowtail scad (Atule mate)
 Indian scad (Decapterus russelli)





Trade Name Scientific name 1

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Leather Skin/Double Spotted Queen Fish Scomberoides lysan

- Trawl net, Drift net and Gill net
- September to January
- East & West coasts of India
- Andhra, Tamil Nadu and Kerala coasts

MALABAR TREVALLY



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Malabar Trevally Carangoides malabaricus Carangue Hiraaji

- Trawl net and Shore seine
- October to February
- East & West coasts of India
- Kerala and Tamil Nadu coasts

RIBBON FISHES

Varieties

- Hairtail ribbon fish (*Lepturacanthus savala*)
 Large headed ribbon fish (*Trichiurus lepturus*)

HAIRTAIL RIBBON FISH



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Hairtail Ribbon Fish *Lepturacanthus savala* Poisson-sabre Tachiuo Pez sable Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Trawl net and Boat seines July to April East & West coasts of India Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Maharashtra and Gujarat coasts

LARGE-HEADED RIBBON FISH



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Large-headed Ribbon Fish *Trichiurus lepturus* Poisson-sabre Tachiuo Pez sable

- Trawl net and Boat seines
- July to April
- East & West coasts of India
- Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, and Maharashtra coasts

CAT FISHES

Varieties

- Spotted cat fish (*Arius maculateus*)
 Giant marine cat fish (*Arius thalassinus*)
 Thin spine sea cat fish (*A. tenuospinis*)

CAT FISH



Trade Name Scientific name French Spanish Cat Fish *Arius maculatus* Loup Lobo

- Trawl net and Gill net
- : September to March
- West coasts of India
- Karnataka, Goa and Maharashtra coasts

GIANT MARINE CAT FISH



Trade Name	
Scientific name	
French	
Spanish	

Giant Marine Cat Fish Arius thalassinus Loup Lobo

Gear used	:	Hook & li
Peak season	:	August
Distribution	:	East & W
Areas of abundance	:	Tamil Na

Hook & line, Boat seines August East & West coasts of India Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka & Maharashtra

SARDINE, SHAD AND ANCHOVIES

Varieties

- 1. Indian oil sardine (Sardinella longiceps)
- 2. Lesser sardines (Sardinella gibbosa, S. fimbriata)
- 3. Anchovies (Coilia, Stolephorus, Thryssa, Setipinna)
- 4. Wolf herring (*Chirocentrus dorab*)
- 5. Hilsa (Tenualosa ilisha, Ilisha elongata)

INDIAN OIL SARDINE



Trade Name Scientific name French 1

Indian Oil Sardine Sardinella longiceps Sardinella

- Boat seine, Purse seine and Gill net
- August to December
- East & West coasts of India
- Kerala and Karnataka coasts

DEEP BODIED SARDINELLA



Trade Name Scientific name French Deep Bodied Sardinella Sardinella brachysoma Sardinella

- Boat seine, Purse seine and Gill net
- August to December
- East & West coasts of India
- Kerala and Karnataka coasts

SMOOTH WOLF HERRING



Trade Name Scientific name Smooth Wolf Herring Chirocentrus nudus

- Gill nets, Shallow trawls, Seines & Traps
- February to October
- East & West coasts of India
- Tamil Nadu & Orissa coasts

WHITE BAIT



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish 1

White Bait Stolephorus commersoni Anchois Katakuchi Washi Anchoa

- Shore seines, Bagnets
- October to April
- East & West coasts of India
- Kerala< Tamil Nadu, & Orissa

FLAT FISHES

Varieties

- 1. Indian halibut (Psettodes erumei)
- Indiamandul (r settodes etamer)
 Malabar tongue sole (Cynoglossus macrostomus)
 Doublelined tongue sole (Paraplagusia bilineata) (Cynoglossus dubius) (C. bilineatus)

(C. macrolepidotus)

INDIAN HALIBUT



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese

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Indian Halibut Psettodes erumei Plie Solla

- Trawl net
- July to September East & West coasts of India
- Maharashtra coast

MALABAR TONGUE SOLE



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Malabar Tongue Sole *Cynoglossus macrolepidotus* Sole Shitabirame Solla Gear used Peak season Distribution

- Trawl net
- August to March
- East & West coasts of India

TONGUE SOLE



Trade Name Scientific name French Spanish Tongue Sole *Paraplagusia bilineata* Sole Solla Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Trawl net

- September to March
- East & West coasts of India
- Kerala coast

OTHER ITEMS

- 1. Barracuda (Sphyraena jello, S. obtusata)
- 2. Goat fish (Upeneus indicus)
- 3. Dark band goat fish (Upeneus tragula)
- 4. Indian salmon (*Eleutheronema tetrasnetylum*)
- 5 Bombay duck (Harpodon nehereus)
- 6. Sea bass (Lates calcarifer)
- 7. Japanese threadfin bream (*Nemipterus japonicus*)
- 8. Spadefish / Orb fish (Ephippus orbis)
- 9. Pearl spot (*Etroplus suratensis*)
- 10. Grey mullet (Mugil cephalus)
- 11. Blue spot mullet (Valamugil sehali)
- 12. Dolphin fish (Coryphaena hippurus)
- 13. Indian threadfin (Leptomelanosoma indicum)
- 14. False trevally/white fish (Lactarius lactarius)

- 15. Leather jacket / Trigger fish (Rhinecanthus spp.)
- 16. Milk fish (Chanos chanos)
- 17. Silver sillago (Sillago sihama)
- 18. Lizard fish (Saurida spp.)
- 19. Indian conger eel (Muraenosox spp.)
- 20. Parrot fish (Scarus spp.)
- 21. Silver Pompano (Trachinotus blochii.)
- 22 Sword fish (Xiphias gladius)
- 23. Black marlin (Makaira indica)
- 24 Indo-pacific sail fish (Istiophorus platypterus)
- 25. Black King Fish/Cobia (Rachycentron canadum)
- 26. GIFT (Oreochromis niloticus)
- 27. Jelly Fish (Rhopilema sp.)

BLACK KING FISH (COBIA)



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Black King Fish(Cobia) *Rachycentron canadum* Mafou Sugi Cobia

- Gill net, Trawl net and Hand lines
- All around the year
- East and West coasts of India
- Tamil Nadu and Kerala coasts

WHITE FISH

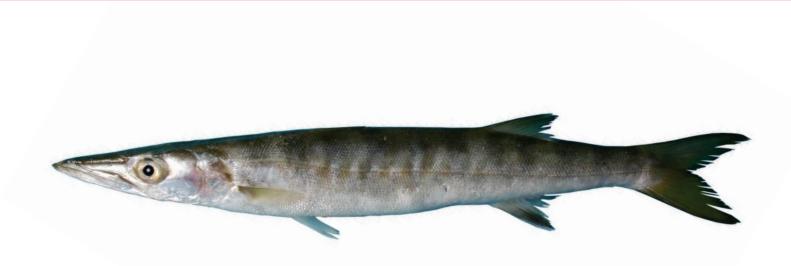


Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese

Trevally / Parava *Lactarius lactarius* Carangue Hiraaji

- Trawl net and Gill net
- October to February East & West coasts of India
- Maharashtra, Kerala and Tamil Nadu coasts

BARRACUDA



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Barracuda (Giant sea pike) *Sphyraena jello* Becune Kamasu Barracuda

- Trawl net, Hook and line and Gill net
- September to March
- East & West coasts of India
- Kerala and Tamil Nadu coasts

INDIAN GOAT FISH



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Indian Goat Fish *Parupeneus indicus* Rouget Himevii Salmoneta

- Trawl net
- August to February
- East coast of India
- Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh coasts

DARK BAND GOAT FISH



Irade Name	
Scientific name	
French	
Japanese	
Spanish	

Dark Band Goat Fish *Upeneus trangula* Rouget Himeji Salmoneta

- Trawl net
- August to February
- East coast of India
- Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh coasts

INDIAN SALMON



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Indian Salmon *Eleutheronema tetradactylum* Barbur Tsubamekonoshiro

- Trawl net, Drift Gill nets and Boat seines
- September to December
- North-East & North-West coasts of India
- West Bengal, Orissa and Gujarat coasts

BOMBAY DUCK



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese

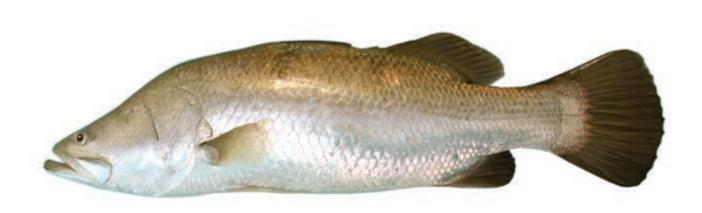
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Bombay Duck *Harpodon nehereus* Bombay duck (Inde) Tenagamizutengu

- Trawl net, Dol net and Boat seine
- September to June
- North-West coast of India
- Gujarat and Maharashtra coasts

ASIAN SEA BASS / BARRAMUNDI



Trade Name	
Scientific name	
French	
Japanese	
Spanish	

Asian Sea Bass/Barramundi Lates calcarifer Hata Ja Akame Perca gigante

- Cast nets and traps, Seines
- August to February Coastal waters, estuaries and lagoons
- Kerala and Tamil Nadu coast

LONG SPINE SEA-BREAM



Trade Name
Scientific name
French
Japanese
Spanish

Tiger Long Spine Sea-bream Argyrops spinifer Dorade Tai Esparido

- Trawl net and Gill net
- August to February
- East & West coasts of India
- : Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Gujarat coasts

JAPANESE SILVER BREAM (YELLOW FIN SEA BREAM)



Trade Name	:
Scientific name	:
French	:
Japanese	:
Spanish	:

Japanese Silver Bream Yellow fin Sea Bream *Acanthapagrus latus* Dorare Pai Esparido Gear used Peak season Distribution : September to October

Indo-West Pacific

Gujarat, Maharashtra coasts of India

JAPANESE THREAD FIN BREAM



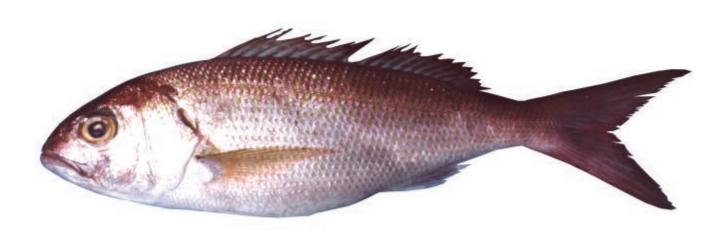
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Japanese Thread Fin Bream *Nemipterus japonicus* Cohana japonaise Nihon - itoyori Baga Japonesa

Gear used	:	Trawl net and Gill net
Peak season	:	August to February
Distribution	:	East & West coasts of India
Areas of abundance		Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Gujarat coasts

BRIDLED EMPEROR BREAM



Trade Name Scientific name Bridled Emperor Bream Lethrinus fraenatus

- Trap fishery / Hook & line
- Throughout the year
- East coast of India
- Gulf of Mannar

PEARL SPOT

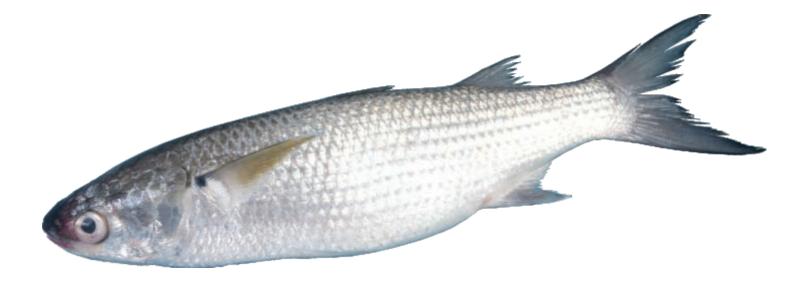


Trade Name Scientific name Japanese Pearl Spot / Green Chromide Etroplus suratensis Hata Gear used Peak season Distribution

Areas of abundance

 Cast net and Gill net
 May to November
 An estuarine form found along the South-West and Orissa coasts
 Lakes of Karnataka and Kerala





Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish

Grey Mullet Mugil cephalus Muge Bora Lisa

- Cast net, Dip net and Gill net
- August to February East & West coasts of India
- South-West coast, North-East coast

BLUESPOT GREY MULLET



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Bluespot Grey Mullet *Valamugil seheli* Muge Bora Lisa

- Cast net, Dip net and Gill net
- August to February
- East & West coasts of India
- South-West coast, North-East coast and Vembanad lake

MILK FISH



Irade Name	
Scientific name	
French	
Japanese	
Spanish	

Milk fish *Chanos chanos* Chano Sabahii Sabalote/chano Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance

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Gill net, Cast net (even in Chinese net) August to December Coastal waters including lagoons Gulf of Mannar

BULL EYE



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Bull Eye *Priacanthus hamrur* Juif Kintokidai

Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance

- Trawl net
- August to December
- East coast of India

Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Kerala coasts

SILVER SILLAGO / SAND WHITING



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Silver Sillago / Sand Whiting Sillago sihama Peche-madame-argentte Silago plateado Kisu

- Shore seine
- May to December
- East coast of India
- Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Kerala coasts

LIZARD FISH



Trade Name Scientific name French Spanish

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Lizard Fish Saurida tumbil Anoli Tumbil Longato Tumbil

- Trawl fishery December To January
- East coast of India
- Gulf of Mannar

INDIAN CONGER EEL



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish

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Indian Conger Eel Conger cinereus Anguille Unagi Anguila

Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance Trawl net

- January to July East and West coasts of India
- Maharashtra and Gujarat coasts

PARROT FISH



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish

Parrot Fish *Scarus spp.* Scare ghobhan Budai Vieja

- Trap fishery Throughout the year East coast of India
- Gulf of Mannar

CATLA



Trade Name Scientific name Catla Catla catla

- Gill nets
- July to August India, Pakistan, China, Sri Lanka
- Ganges & its tributaries, Brahmaputra etc.

DOLPHIN FISH



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Dolphin Fish *Coryphaena hippurus* Coryphene Shiira Dorado

- Hook & line, seines
- December to April
- North-West and South-East coasts of India

WHITE SPOTTED SPINE FOOT



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish White Spotted Spine Foot Siganus canaliculatus Sigan pitade Shinofuri aigo Sigano pintado

- Shore seines, Bottom trawls, set traps
- August
- Indo-West Pacific
- Kerala, Lakshadweep, Tamil Nadu

JELLY FISH



Trade Name
Scientific name
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Japanese

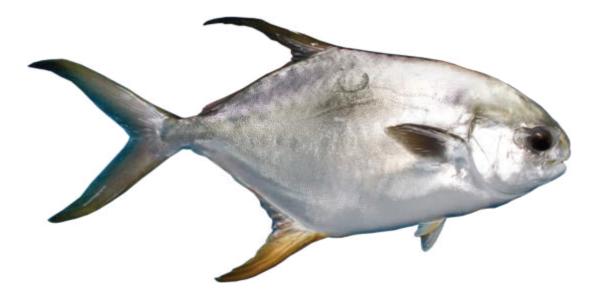
Jelly Fish *Rhopilema sp.* Medsue Kurage Gear used Peak season Distribution Areas of abundance

- Trawl net, Gill net and Scoop net
- March to June

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- East and West coasts of India
- Tamil Nadu and Kerala coasts

SILVER POMPANO



Trade Name Scientific name French Japanese Spanish Silver Pompano *Trachinotus blochii* Pompano Kobanaji Palometa

Gear used Peak season Distribution Cast net, Dip net Throughout the year Indo pacific region

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GIFT



Trade Name	
Scientific name	
French	
Japanese	
Spanish	

GIFT-Genetically Improved Farmed Tilapia *Oreochromis niloticus* Tilapia du Nil Chikadai Tilapia del Nilo

Gear used Peak season Distribution

- Cast net, Dip net
- Throughout the year West and East Coast of India

CATCH COMPOSITION OF MARINE FISH LANDINGS

PELAGIC FISHES

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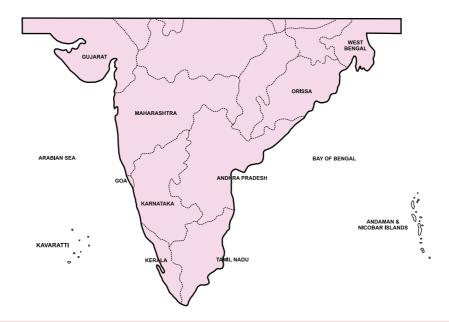
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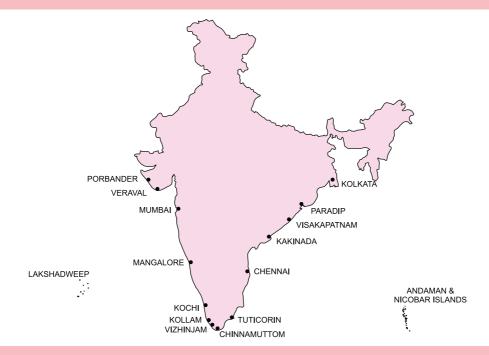
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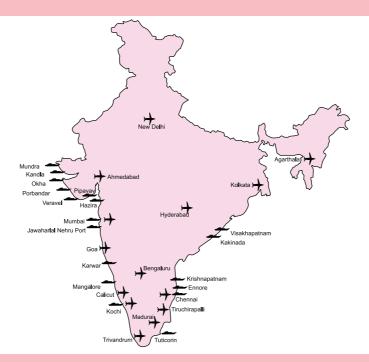
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