Communication Plan for Uptake Promotion of ParFish

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1 INTRODUCTION

This document is an updated communications plan for promoting ParFish 'Participatory Fisheries Stock Assessment. It relates to Output 3 of the project, and also covers communications at a local level related to the ParFish case study in Zanzibar. Tanzania.

This communications plan gives a background to the project and how the project objectives and communication objectives are linked (Section 1). It then covers the following areas:

- Section 2: National level stakeholders (Tanzania)
- Section 3: Regional and international level stakeholders

Each of these sections covers the communication objectives, a stakeholder analysis, prioritisation of stakeholders and a communications plan.

Background to the project

This is an uptake promotion project that falls within DFID's FMSP research programme, and builds on a previous project under this programme: R 7947 'Integrated artisanal fisheries co-management using a multi-disciplinary assessment methodology and participatory management decision-making'. The outputs of this previous project include a software package for undertaking participatory fisheries stock assessments (ParFish) and a manual to accompany the software.

The project purpose, outputs and communication objectives

The overall purpose of this project is to achieve increased uptake of the ParFish approach and methodology. The project aims to achieve this by producing and promoting a ParFish Toolkit consisting of:

- ParFish Guidelines: describe the overall approach for implementing ParFish to assist fishers and other stakeholders enter a cycle of learning, management planning, implementation and evaluation;
- ParFish Software: allows data from the ParFish assessment to be entered and analysed;
- ParFish Sofware Manual: explains how to use the software with step-by-step instructions.

The project purpose is supported by three Outputs:

- 1. ParFish Toolkit developed and refined
- 2. Increased capacity of Tanzanian Institute of Marine Sciences (IMS)
- 3. ParFish promoted nationally, regionally and internationally.

Promotion activities therefore fall into Output 3 and aimed to develop interest in the ParFish approach and thereby develop an audience for the finalised Toolkit. A number of specific objectives have been outlined for each stakeholder group e.g. those at the local, national, regional or international level.

2 NATIONAL LEVEL STAKEHOLDERS (TANZANIA)

Communications Objectives

The local level communication objectives centre on effective communications with fishers and other local stakeholders in Zanzibar in order to undertake the ParFish case study in Kizimkazi, Zanzibar.

The specific objectives include:

- Fishers and local stakeholders understand the benefits of ParFish and engage in development of the questions to be addressed and in the collection of information;
- Communication channels developed between local stakeholders and IMS for feedback on ParFish results and discussion on management options.
- Achieve Increased awareness of ParFish for all national level stakeholders
- Promote the further use of ParFish within Zanzibar and Tanzania

Stakeholders

A stakeholder analysis was undertaken as one of the first activities of the Zanzibar case study with the Institute for Marine Sciences and a representative from the Fisheries Department (in September 2004). Primary stakeholders were defined as the resource users and those directly affected by the management of the fisheries resource. Secondary stakeholders were defined as those involved in the management of the resource.

The influence of each stakeholder and the priority of engaging and communicating with them were considered (Figure 1). Following this the interests of the stakeholders were assessed and the possible impact of ParFish considered as summarised in Table 1. Lastly the Knowledge, Attitude, Practice and Attitude for each Secondary National Level Stakeholder were considered (Table 2). Knowledge was defined as their knowledge of ParFish, attitude as their likely attitude towards use of the ParFish approach, practice as their current use of ParFish; and influence a measure of their likely influence over the outcome of implementing and promoting ParFish in Tanzania.

Figure 1 Illustration of the relative priority and influence of National Level Stakeholders in relation to the ParFish approach

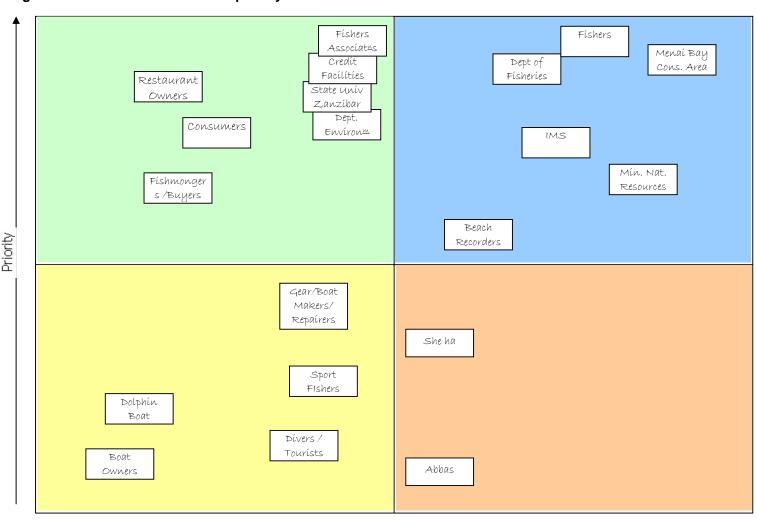


Table 1 Summary of Stakeholder Analysis undertaken for National level stakeholders. Prepared by: IMS, September 2004

Stakeholder group	Interests	Possible impact of ParFish	Influence – Priority
Primary			-
Fishers	-Continue fishing -Participate in management -Fish sustainably -Data collection	+ / - (positive in long term but may require short-term reductions in catches)	H-H
Beach recorder (fisheries)	-Help coordinate/intermediary -Measure fish / collect data -Ensure enforcement of management -Has background info on fishery	+/-	H-H
Boat owners	-Profits, more fish -Tourist activities	+/-	L-L
Fishmongers/Buyers (individual / bulk)	-Continuous supply of fish	+/-	L-H
Consumers	-Continued availability of fish at good price	+ (-)	L-H
Divers/Tourists	-See pristine reefs -Non-destructive fishing -Eat fish	+	L-L
Sport fishers	-Catch fish and sustainability	+/ -	L-L
Gear & Boat Makers /	-Continued / sustainable fishing	+/-	L-L
Repairers	activities		
Dolphin Boat Operators	-Pristine areas	+/-	L-L
Fishermens Associations	-Sustainable management -Fishers rights and participation	+	L-H
Abbas (powerful boat owner in the dolphin and tourist industry)	-Continued fishing -Good reef areas / Dolphin boats	+/-	H-L
Secondary			
Credit facilities	-Fishers continue to catch fish to repay loans	+/-	L-H
Restaurant owners	-Supply of good quality fish	+	L-H
Dept of Fisheries	-Fisheries management-Participation of fishers	+	H-H
She ha	-No conflict between fishers -Management enforcement	+/-	H-L
Menai Bay Conservation Area	-Fisheries management -Sustainability -Community participation	+	H-H
Min. Natural Resources & Agriculture	-Fisheries management -Sustainability -Community participation -Conservation	+	H-H
Dept. of Environment	-Sustainable fisheries management -Community participation -Conservation	+	L-H
IMS	-Research & provide advice -Better management -Encourage and facilitate PFSA	+	H-H
State University of Zanzibar	-Research -Better management	+	L-H

Table 2 Current Knowledge, Attitude, Capacity, and Influence of National level stakeholders

Stakeholders	Knowledge	Attitude	Capacity	Influence
Government Institutions				
Department of Fisheries	Low	High	Low	High
(Zanzibar)				
Ministry of Agriculture, Natural	Low	High	Low	High
Resources, Environment and				
Cooperatives in Zanzibar				
(MANREC)		112.1	1.	11.
Department of Fisheries	Low	High	Low	High
(Tanzania)	Law	Lliab	Law	Lliada
Ministry of Natural Resources in Tanzania (MNRT)	Low	High	Low	High
Department of Environment	Low	High	Low	Med
(Zanzibar)	LOW	riigii	LOW	IVICU
National Environment	Low	High	Low	Med
Management Council	20	g	20	11100
Marine Parks Unit (MNRT)	Low	High	Low	Med
Projects/Programmes		Ŭ		
Tanzania Coastal Management	Low	high	Low	High
Partnership				
WWF - Mafia Island Marine Park	Low	High	Low	Med
Tanga Coastal Zone	Low	High	Low	High
Conservation and Development				
Programme				
Training Institutions				
Tanzania Fisheries Research	Low	High	Low	High
Institute (TAFIRI)	1	I li ada	Law	Mad
Faculty of Aquatic Sciences and	Low	High	Low	Med
Technology at Kunduchi (FAST) Mbengani Fisheries	Low	High	Low	Med
Development Centre	Low	riigii	LOW	IVIEU
State University of Zanzibar	Low	High	Low	Low
University of Dar es Salaam	Low	High	Low	Low
(Natural Resource Information		19		
Centre - TANRIC)				
Costech Commission for Science	Low	High	Low	Low
and Technology				

Selection of Priority Stakeholders

Priority communication stakeholders were selected through selecting those with highly affected by the ParFish (high priority) and those with high influence on the process and outcome. These are summarised in Table 3.

Table 3 Priority Local Level Stakeholders

Primary Stakeholders	Secondary Stakeholders		
Fishers;	Department of Fisheries, Zanzibar		
 Fishermen associations 	 Menai Bay Conservation area/ WWF 		
Beach recorders	 Ministry of Natural Resources & 		
	Agriculture (MANREC)		
	 Department of Fisheries, Tanzania 		
	Tanzanian Coastal Management		
	Partnership (TCMP)		
	Tanzanian Fisheries Research Institute		
	(TAFIRI)		

National level communications plan

Table 4 summarises the national level communications plan for the priority stakeholders. It illustrates the groups of stakeholders, the objectives, means of communicating and monitoring these activities. It also illustrates the activities undertaken.

Table 4 National level communication plan

Prioritised Stakeholders	Communication objective	Media/Channe Is (Promotion activities)	Monitoring and Evaluation Indicators	Activities		
Primary Stakeholders						
Fishers	Engage in data collection and discussions on management options based on assessment results.	Community meetings organised through local chiefs (She has) Meeting held in Swahili	Monitor numbers at community meetings	Community meetings: Dimbani: 1st meeting 10 fishers 2nd meeting 20-30 fishers Mkunguni: 1st meeting 20 fishers 2nd meeting 20 fishers 2nd meeting 20-30 fishers One multi-stakeholder workshop was held to discuss management options. Representatives from each village included: 11 fishers from Mkunguni 15 fishers from Dimbani 11 fishers from Mtende		
Fishermen associations	Endorse ParFish approach and assist in the coordination of data collection & management	Community meeting Meeting held in Swahili	Monitor numbers at meetings	Representatives from fishermen associations present at all meetings		
Beach recorders	Assist with data collection and facilitating information feedback to fishers. (Important connections with communities)	Community meetings Meeting held in Swahili	Monitor attendance at meetings	Beach recorders present at all meetings		
Secondary Stake		•				
Department of Fisheries	Support the use of ParFish and engage in discussion of management options	Involvement in the ParFish process Presentation to the department	Numbers involved in process Numbers present at meeting	One representative from the Fisheries Department involved fully with the ParFish process in Kizimkazi 15 people present at a presentation given to the Department of Fisheries from MCS, Marine products, statistics, Menai Bay conservation area, Pemba conservation area.		
Menai Bay Conservation Area	Support the use of ParFish and engage in discussion of	Involvement in management discussions	Attendance to meeting Statements of	Licensing, Planning and Artisanal fisheries divisions. Representative of Menai Bay present at presentation given to Department of Fisheries		
	management		support			

	options			
Ministry of Natural Resources and Agriculture, (MANREC)	Support the use of ParFish. Offer support to Department of Fisheries	Flyers/Briefs	No. of flyers and briefs disseminated	Received project flyers and briefs through the Institute of Marine Sciences
Department of Fisheries, Tanzania	Increased awareness of ParFish Support the use of ParFish	Flyers/Briefs	No. of flyers and briefs disseminated	Received project flyers and briefs through the Institute of Marine Sciences
Tanzania Coastal Management Partnership	Increased awareness of ParFish	Flyers/Briefs	No. of flyers and briefs disseminated Email correspondence	Received project flyers and briefs through email
Tanzanian Fisheries Research Institute (TAFIRI)	Increased awareness of ParFish Consider future involvement/use of ParFish for assessments on the mainland	Flyers/Briefs	No. of flyers and briefs disseminated Email correspondence	Received project flyers and briefs through email Correspondence maintained through email

3 REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVEL STAKEHOLDERS

Communication objectives

Communication at the Regional and International level focused on institutions that are likely to be able to use ParFish within their work to benefit the management of small-scale fisheries and benefit the poor.

Specific objectives included:

 Increase awareness and promote ParFish approach and Parfish Toolkit (comprising of guidelines, software and software manual)

Stakeholders

The stakeholders detailed in Table 5 have been identified through a range of contacts.

Selection of Priority Stakeholders

Priority stakeholders to date have been selected by those with a relative high capacity for ParFish and a high attitude to the methodology.

Regional and International level communications plan

Table 5 summarises the regional and international level communications plan for the priority stakeholders. It illustrates the groups of stakeholders, the objectives, means of communicating and monitoring these activities. It also illustrates the activities undertaken to date and further planned activities.

Table 5 Communication Plan for Regional and International Level Stakeholders

Prioritised Stakeholders	Communication objective	Media/Channel s (Promotion activities)	Monitoring and Evaluation Indicators	Activities to date
East African Fisheries management or research organisations WWF Kenya CORDIO LVFO WIOMSA	Promote understanding of ParFish and use of toolkit	Flyers and Briefs Emails Telephone conversations	Distribution of flyers & briefs Email correspondence Requests for ParFish tool kit	ParFish flyers and briefs sent by email Presentation held with representatives from LVFO and Eastern African research institutes ParFish Flyer sent out with WIOMSA September newsletter and posted on the WIOMSA web-site Interest in using methodology illustrated through email correspondence and participation in proposals
West African Fisheries management or research organisations	Promote understanding of ParFish and use of toolkit	Flyers and Briefs Emails Telephone	Distribution of flyers & briefs Email correspondence	ParFish flyers and briefs sent by email Email correspondence maintained and interest

		conversations		in ParFish indicated
Sustainable Fisheries Livelihood Project		Presentation	Requests for ParFish tool kit	Idea of presentation at FAO accepted
Asian Fisheries management or research	Promote understanding of ParFish and use of	Training workshop	Distribution of flyers & briefs	ParFish flyers and briefs sent by email
organisations Andhra Pradesh Fisheries Department Bay of Bengal Intergovernme ntal Organisation World Fish FAO Asian Regional Office	toolkit Obtain interest in collaboration for further development of ParFish	Flyers & briefs Emails Telephone conversations Presentation	Email correspondence Requests for ParFish tool kit	Email correspondence maintained and interest in ParFish indicated Training held with number of Indian and nearby States including: 6 from Andhra Pradesh; 6 from Orissa, 6 from West Bengal, 3 from Karnataka and two from Bangladesh, 1 from the Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) and 1 from Central Institute for Fisheries Education (CIFE).
				Andhra Pradesh fisheries department involved in DFID proposal to test a case study of ParFish.
Other fisheries organisations in: South West Africa South America Europe Pacific US Middle East	Promote understanding of ParFish and use of toolkit	Flyers & Briefs Emails Telephone conversations	Emails of interest Requests for further information/softwar e and tool kit	Sent information brief and some limited email exchange Interest in using methodology obtained
International donor organisations: FAO World Bank DFID WIOMSA CARE WWF	Support the development and further use of ParFish	Flyers & Briefs Emails Meeting and presentation Proposals	Emails of interest Acceptance of proposals	Idea of presentation at FAO accepted Interest from World Bank MACEMP project in ParFish through meetings and emails Interest from FAO Asian and Pacific Regional Office via emails WIOMSA letter of intent received WWF-EAME concept note received
				DFID proposal for follow up project received and accepted