

RESILIENT STRATEGIES FOR AQUACULTURE AND FISHEREIS TO FACE THE EXTREME WEATHER SHOCKS



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Climate shifts leading to weather shocks

Impacts on fisheries and aquaculture

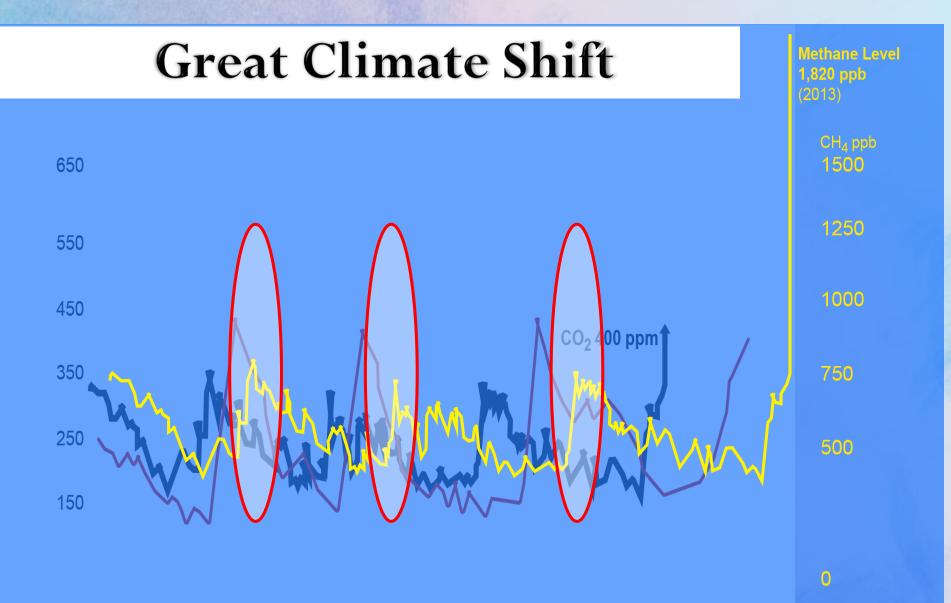
Outline of presentation

Some adaptation and resilient strategies

Future that beckons on us





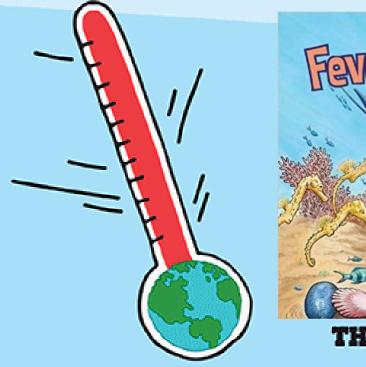


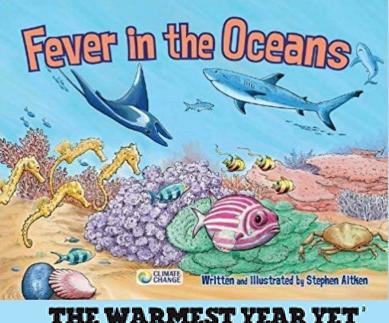




Oceans plagued with fever

THE WORLD IS GETTING HOTTER!





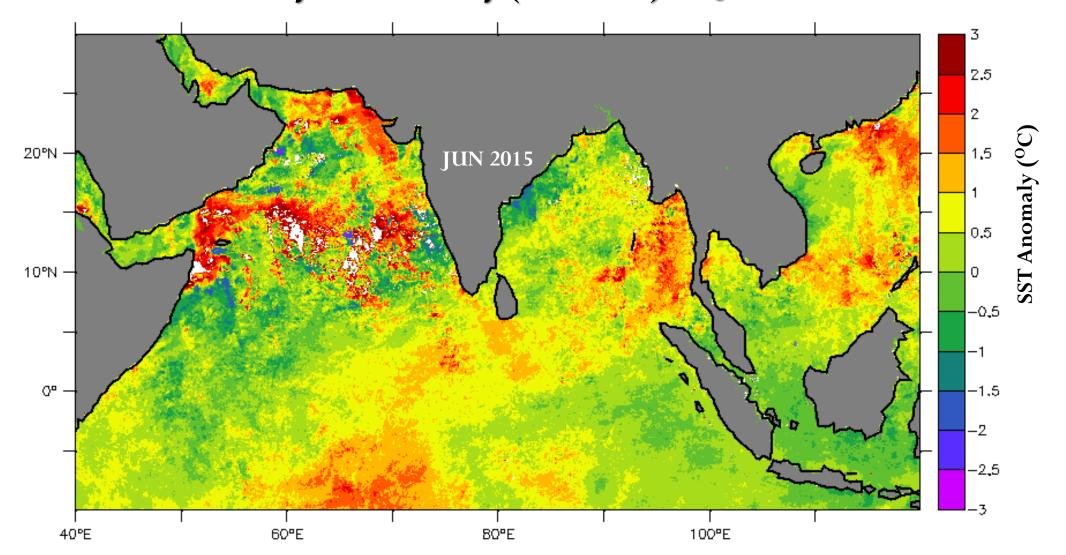
WARMEST YEAR YET



LIMITING WARMING BELOW 2°C is the best chance of averting catastrophic climate change'



Monthly SST Anomaly (MODISA) for June 2015





We have a climate shift...What are weather shocks?

Its not the melting ice alone, but we have a shrinking ecosystem with all its biotic and abiotic components loosing to sudden changes in weather and the ecological succession is worrying us.

- the top predators.

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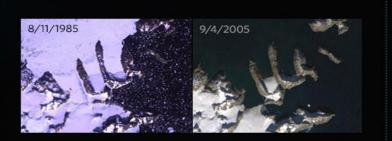


OUR OCEAN ABSORBS MORE THAN 90% OF THE HEAT TRAPPED BY HUMAN-PRODUCED GREENHOUSE GASES

This extra heat causes the sea level to rise. But why?



As water warms, its molecules move and interact more, causing the water to take up more space. If you've used a mercury thermometer, you've seen the same effect, **thermal expansion**, in action.



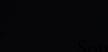
The extra heat causes the **melting of ice sheets and glaciers** on land. Greenland, in the Arctic, is warming about two times faster than the rest of the planet.





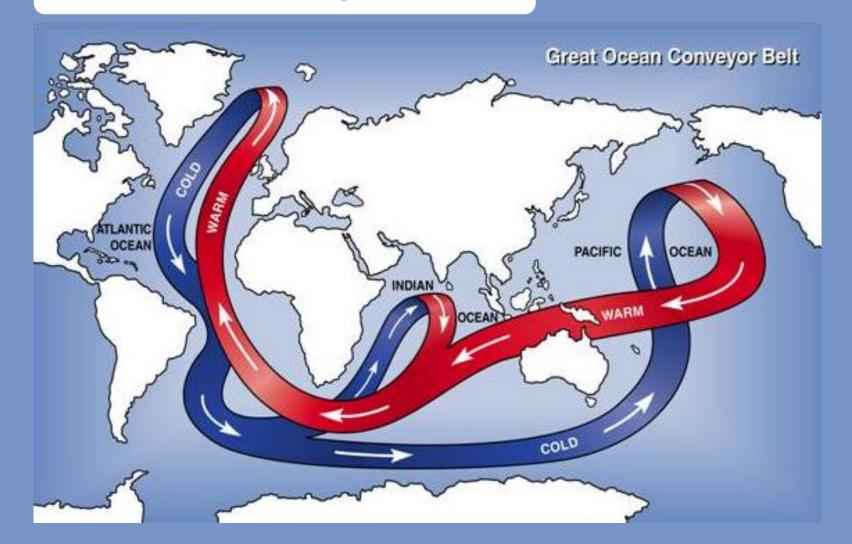








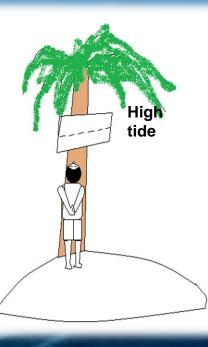
Ocean Currents Dysfunction





Shrinking small Island nations and low lying areas are vulnerable and facing the threats of sea level rise during extreme rains.

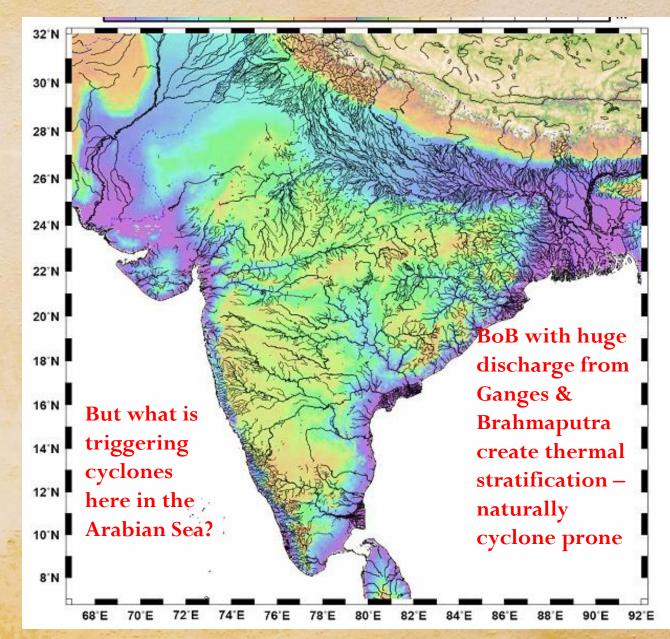
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Do we have frequent weather crises..!

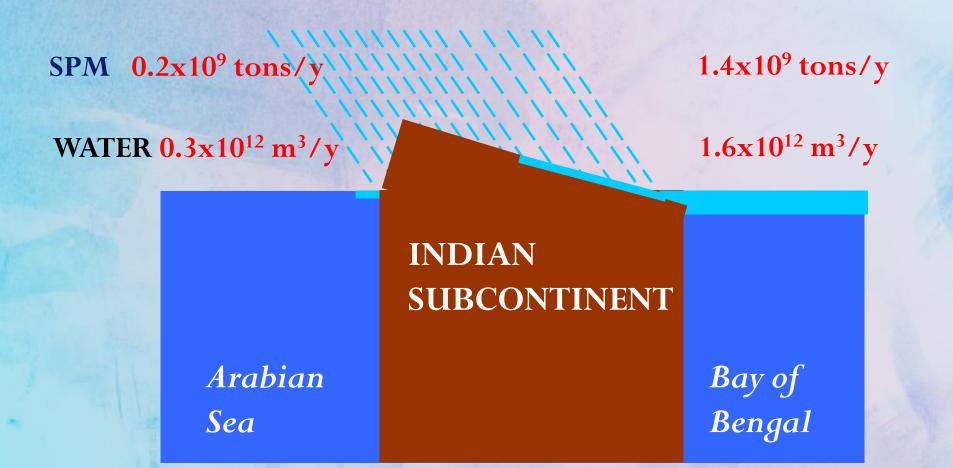


River systems





Influence of different river discharges on oceans in our neighborhood















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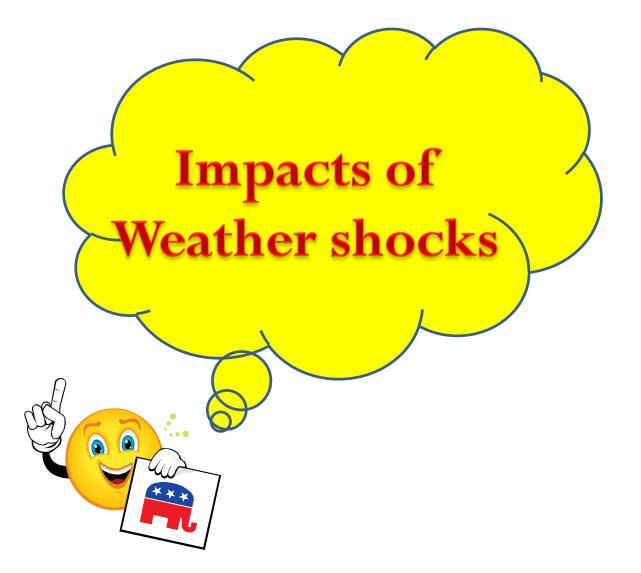
Nilofar,Titli, Bulbul

Gaja, Amphan, Ockhi, Tauktae, Yaas?











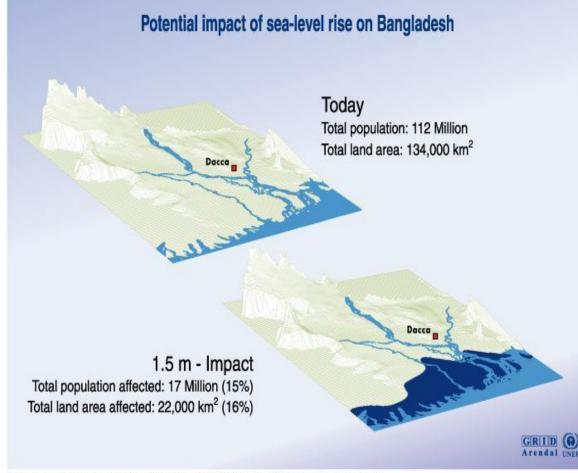
EFFECT OF CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS ON OUR NEIGHBOURS

- Displaced people may move to so called ideal places migration (legally and illegally
- As the population is ethnically similar or different to the countries migrated unrests happen
- Loss of livelihood of this huge population may lead to poaching in the seas.

BANGLADESH



- 1% of the world's tropical storms hit Bangladesh.
- About 10% hardly 1 m above MSL; 80% Low level disaster prone lands.
- High population density (>1209 persons per km²; limits migration within the country.



Source : UNEP/GRID Geneva; University of Dacca; JRO Munich; The World Bank; World Resources Institute, Washington D.C.



Direct Impact of Ockhi cyclone on the fishery- as reflected in the seasonal marine fish landings of Kerala.

- Loss of effort in units -56,610 in 2017, which is 46% less compared to 2016
- Loss of effort in AFH 5,70,495 which is 57% less than 2016.
- Due to the loss of fishing days during Ockhi cyclone, the landings share during the above period reduced to 13.5% in 2017 from 22% in 2016.
- The estimated loss during the above period was 35,465 t valued at Rs.58.5 million at landing centre level and Rs.82.1 million at retail level.









<u>Study on Storm surge</u> <u>dynamics</u>

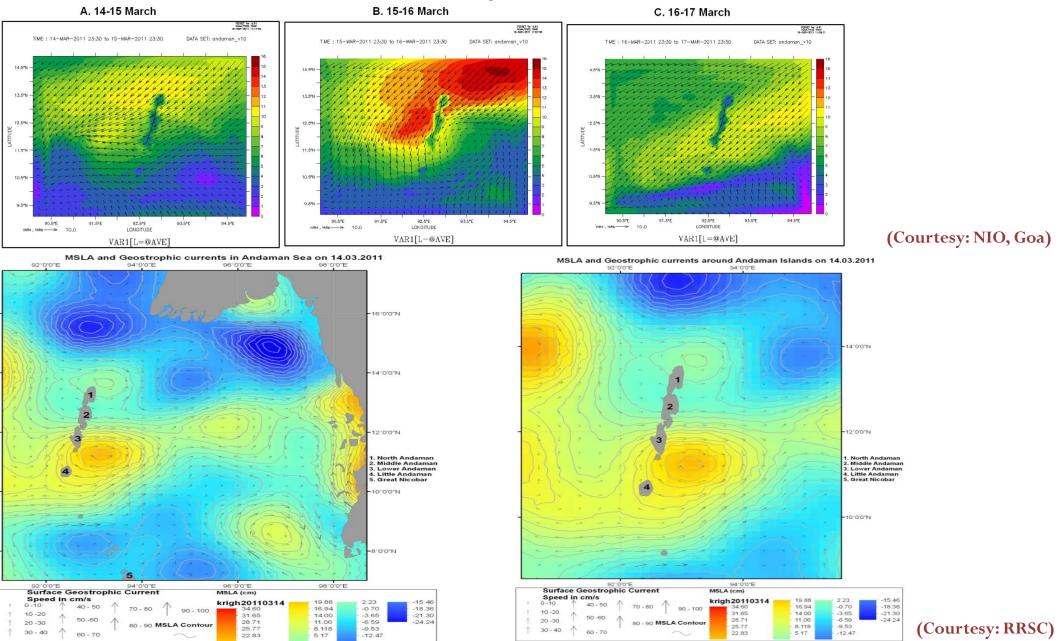
May 2010 Bleaching





Mar 2011 Surge





NWF modelled winds around A&N Islands for the period 14 -17 March 2011

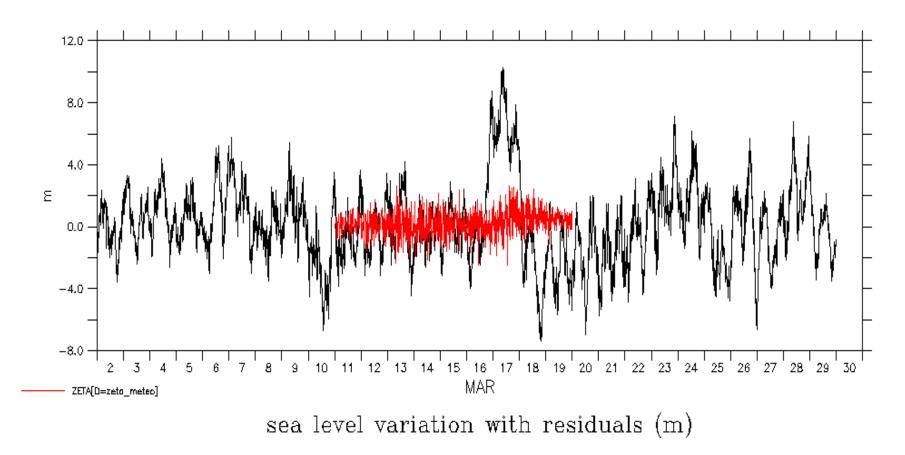


Comparison b/w modeled residulals and Observed

YEAR : 2011

DATA SET: pb_residuals

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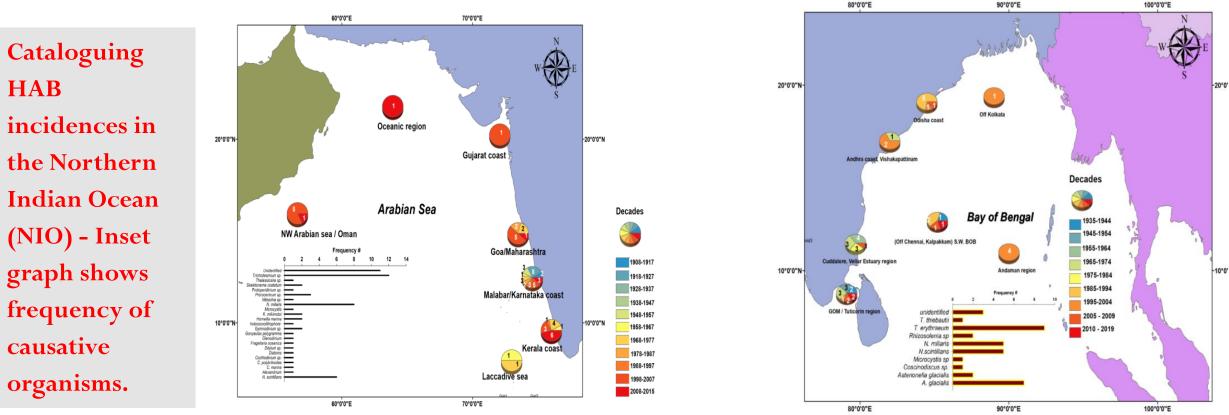
Methane Hydrate Signs

view of the ocean's flora A global



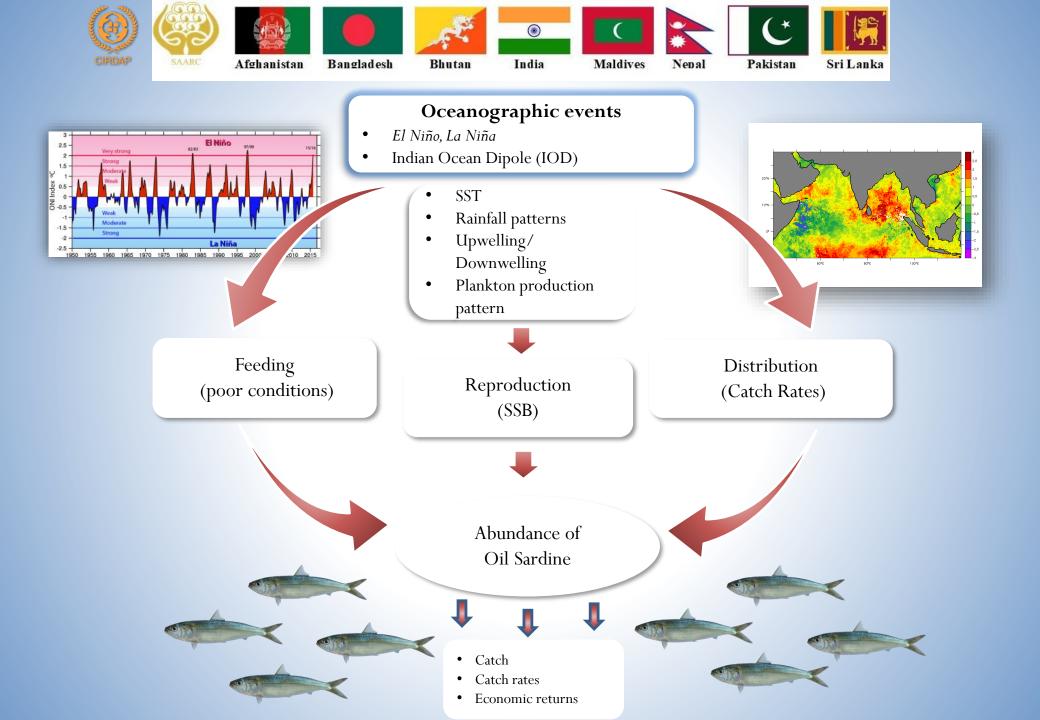


Secondary data of bloom events across Arabian Sea (AS) (1908 to 2015) and Bay of Bengal (BoB) (1935-2019) was catalogued to identify spatio-temporal variability.



In the AS, approximately three fold increase in HAB events are reported during the last two decades (31 HAB events) compared with the first 2 decades (10 HAB events).

In the BoB, approximately two fold increase in HAB events are reported during the last two decades (14 HAB events) in BOB compared to the first two decades (6 HAB events).



Field Observations around Coral Islands

Coral Bleaching in Andaman Islands in 2010

(Contributed by collaborators at CARI, Port Blair)

- 1. Bleaching in 2010 is higher than 1998 SST raised 2-3 deg C than 1998
- Observed bleaching at Havelock Island (69.49%), South Button Island (67.28%), Nicolson Island (56.45%), Red Skin Island (43.39%), North Bay (41.65%) and Chidiyatapu (36.54%)



Jan-10 15-Jan-10 29-Jan-10 12-Feb-10 26-Feb-10 12-Mar-10 26-Mar-10 9-Apr-10 23-Apr-10 7-May-10 21-May-10







Plate coral (Echinopora lamellose)



Branching coral

(Acropora spp)

Massive coral (Porites solida)



Partially bleached soft corals (Simularia sp)



Bleached Sea anemone (Heteractis magnifica)



Bleached Giant Clam (Tridacna sp)



Withering Brittle stars





Plate 3. Corals in South Button Island showing the deposition of algae over the fully bleached corals (August 2010)

Plate 2. Reef associates affected by elevated SST during May 2010



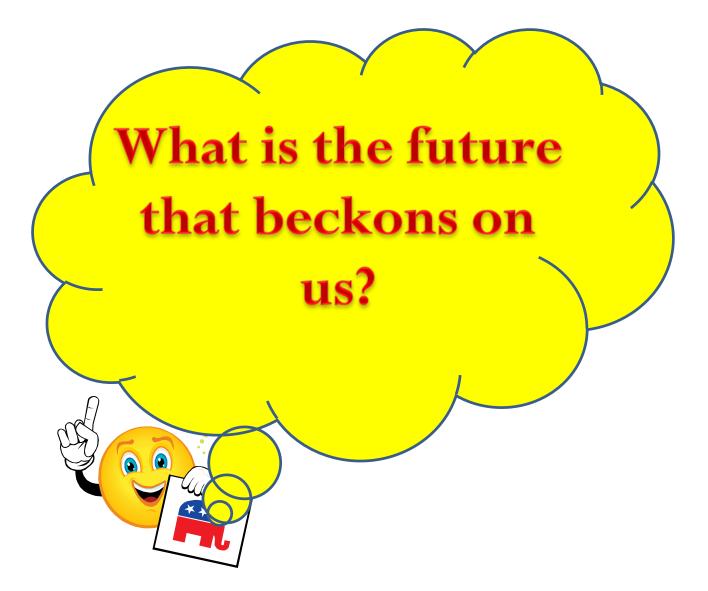
Comparison of *P.monodon* and *L.vannamei* farming systems (1 ton production) for their contribution to environmental burden (Characterisation)

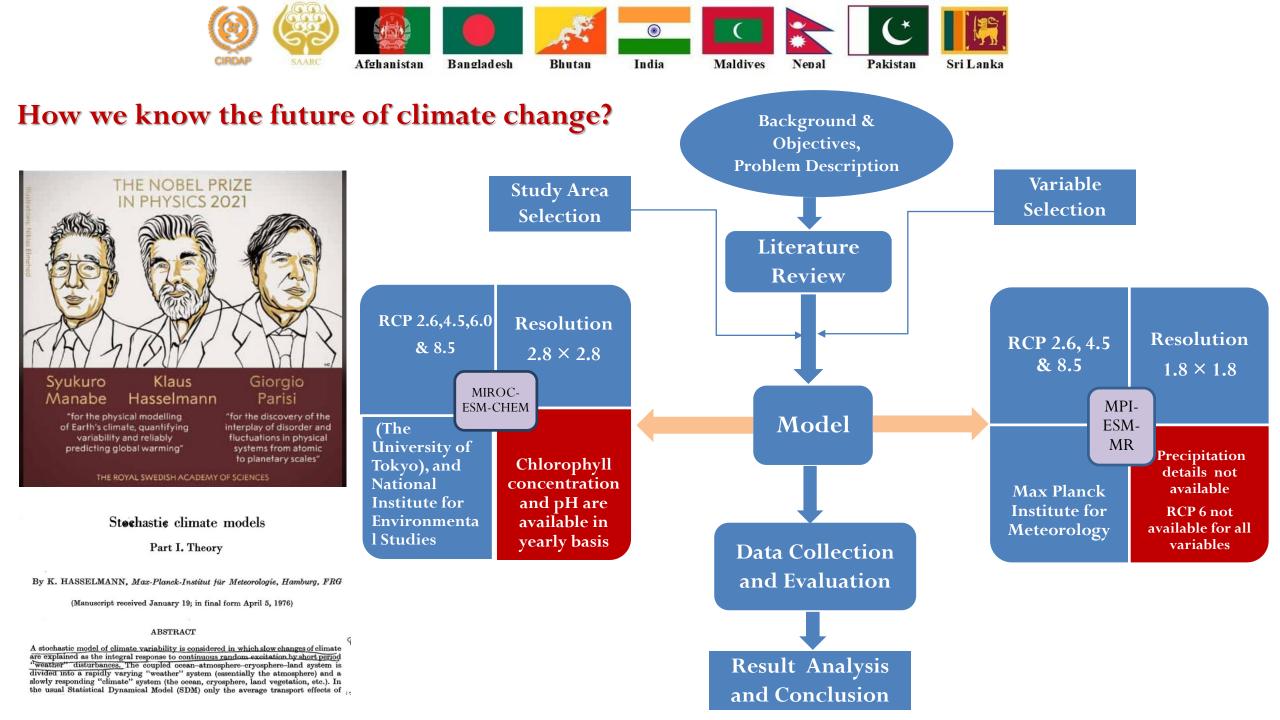
Impact category	Unit	P. monodon	L.Vannamei
Abiotic depletion	kg Sb eq	9.55	10.18
Acidification	kg SO ₂ eq	14.29	14.36
Eutrophication	$kg PO_4^{} eq$	79.00	76.15
Global warming (GWP100)	kg CO ₂ eq	1817.83	2068.22
Ozone layer depletion (ODP)	kg CFC-11 eq	0.001	0.001
Human toxicity	kg 1,4-DB eq	259.58	240.82
Fresh water aquatic ecotox.	kg 1,4-DB eq	40.39	37.93
Marine aquatic eco-toxicity	kg 1,4-DB eq	139911.81	130345.26
Terrestrial ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DB eq	2.28	1.88
Photochemical oxidation	$kg C_2 H_4$	0.41	0.44





Global warming potential (GWP) was high in L. system vannamei compared to *P*. monodon and it is contributed mainly by use of aerators and production of feed in feed mill i.e., mainly by use of energy.





Extension of distributional boundaries of small pelagics: Sardinella longiceps and Rastrelliger kanagurta upto 22°N latitudes that were earlier restricted between 8° and 14°N latitudes and longitude 75° and 77°E

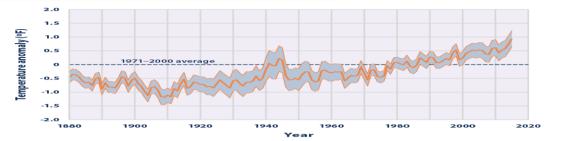
Changes in spawning seasons: Shift in spawning season of *Nemipterus japonicus* and *N. mesoprion* occurred from warmer months to cooler months.

Morphological and metabolic changes in fishes: Musculo-skeletal abnormalities of fingerlings of silver pompano, *Trachinotus blochii* occurred at higher temperature. Increase in O₂ consumption and metabolic rates by 11% observed for *P. loepardus*.

Reduction and Replacement in catch: 5.3% decline in overall catch happened in 2015 w.r.t 2014. Reduced catch of *Harpadon nehereus* (Bombay Duck), from 27.25% (2009–10) to 12.33% (2015–16) which was replaced by low priced species, *Secutor insidiator* (landings increased from 0.09% to 17.9% during 2015–16).

Coral bleaching: Along the Gulf of Mannar, Gulf of Kachchh, Palk Bay, Andaman Sea and Lakshadweep Sea, 29 widespread bleaching events occurred.

Global Annual Temperature Anomaly



Chlorophyll Concentration

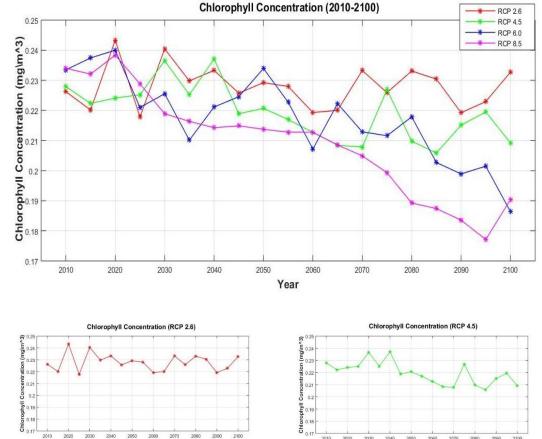
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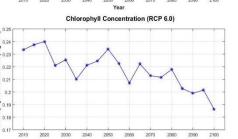
The abundance of many pelagic fish species and shellfish larvae is directly correlated with the abundance of phytoplankton and chlorophyll concentration.

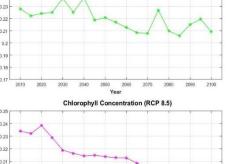
Changes in planktons induce change in diet compositions of Indian mackerel Rastrelliger kanagurta which is a diet dominant in phytoplankton consisting of Coscinodiscus sp. macroplanktons and fish larvae in 2014 whereas the diet during 1960-61 showed the dominance of zooplankton and copepods.

Reduced carbon sinks to deeper ocean as warmer waters that are stable near the surface contain phytoplankton of smaller cell size and are very efficient at recycling nutrients and biogenic material in the upper ocean.

Chlorophyll Projections for RCP Scenerios







2070



Indian ocean exhibits linear trends in increasing salinity at almost all latitudes from surface down to 150 m depth.

Impacts on swimming behaviour of milk fish *Chanos chanos* owing to the increased costs of metabolic activities and osmoregulation.

SALINITY Impacts

> When the salinity drops to <11.5, buoyancy would be too low for cod eggs to remain floating.

> > Disrupts the osmoregulation of marine species.

Increased precipitation leads to reduced salinity.

> Reduced frequency of fertilization and embryo development for crownof-thorns sea star when salinity was reduced below 29 ppt.

Overall reduction in the surface density, that leads to increased vertical stratification and changes in surface 90- mixing.

In extreme hyposalinity condition corals showed necrotic tissues and bleaching.



Negative impact on corals and associated fishes.

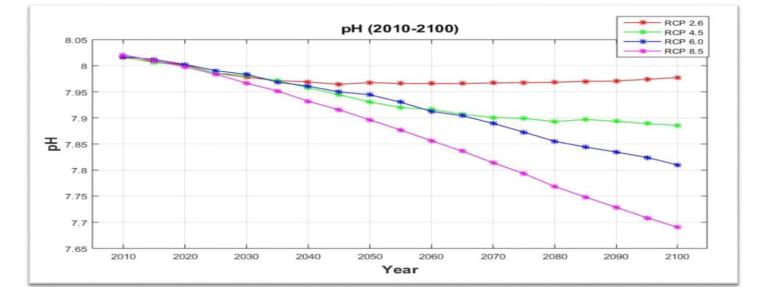
Organisms using calcite and aragonite for shell and skeletal growth, such as coral, mollusks, crustaceans, zooplankton and phytoplankton will be the mostly affected ones.

Loss of corals lead to local extinctions of reef specialists

Among the 66 coral species in 1997, only 40 species were observed in 2008 and the remaining 26 or more may be lost in the next 11 years, in the saint martin's island located in the Bay of Bengal.

Decreased shell thickness and rate of calcification in shellfish due to reduced availability of calcium carbonate.







Submerging of important coastal habitats such as mangrove forests, sea grass beds and salt marshes which usually acts as buffer for changes in environmental parameters.

Reduction and extinction of estuarine associated habitats.

Disappearance of intertidal and shallow coastal habitats.

The erosion due to sea level rise for Cochin region is estimated to be $7125m^3$ per year implying an erosion rate of $0.3 \times 10^6 m^3$ per year that may be attributed to the effects of wave attack .

Reduction in land area of estuarine island system (around 86 km²) in the Sunderbans and Sagar island due to loss by erosion and submergence with a sea level rise of 3.14 mm per year.

Rainfall/Precipitation

Impact

Change in the pattern and intensity affect fish abundance primarily by affecting phytoplankton abundance and thereby, primary production.

Localisation of *Nemipterus japonicus* in certain latitudes lying near river systems due to heavy load of nutrients discharged. Storm surges lead to inundation and erosion of coastal areas.

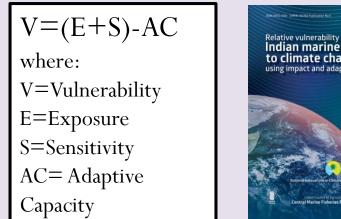
High rainfall resulted in a rapid drop in salinity to levels that were lethal for *P. japonicus*, causing mass mortality. Species that rely to a great extent on the timing and pattern of annual rain cycles for different biological processes are likely to be more vulnerable to climate induced changes.



Relative Vulnerability Assessment of Indian Marine Fishes

Criteria for Relative Vulnerability Assessment

- ICAR-CMFRI developed criteria for vulnerability assessment of fish stock along Indian coasts and accordingly, vulnerable species were identified across four zones in Indian EEZ and the reasons for their vulnerability identified
- Mitigation options to combat vulnerability of the identified species have been suggested.



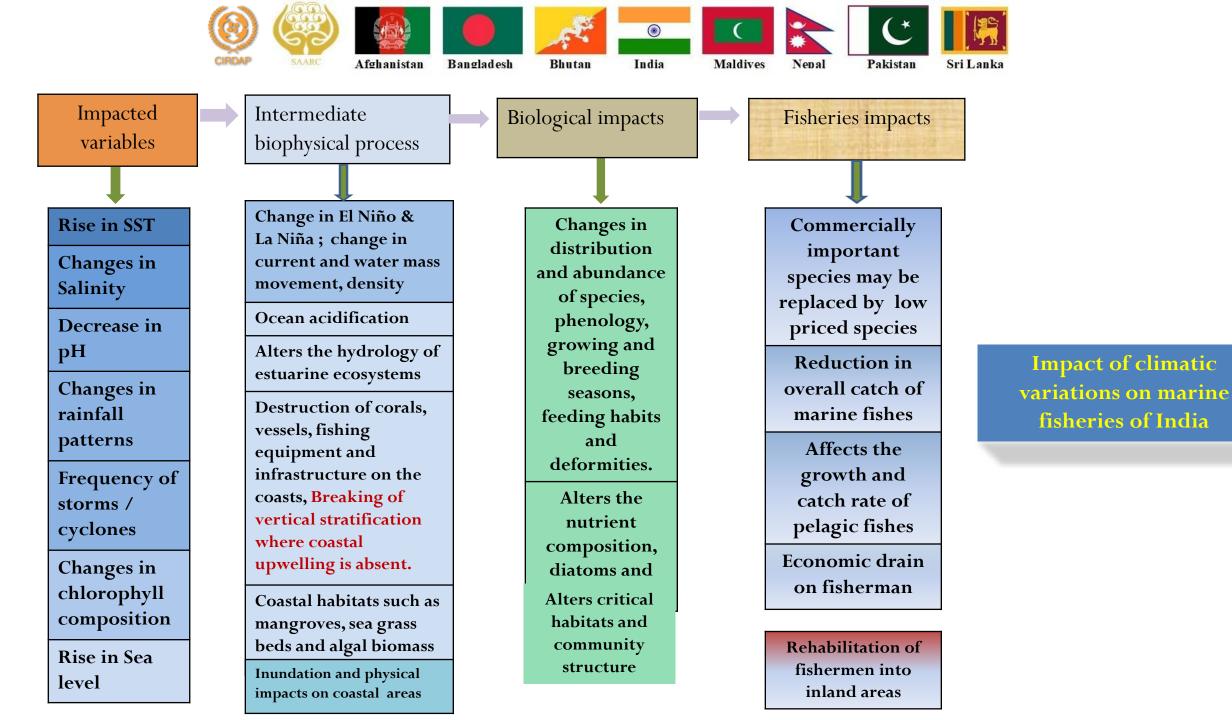


Environmental criteria	Biological criteria	Fishery related criteria
Sea surface temperature	Fecundity	Anomaly in CPUE
Ocean current direction (S to N)	Complexity in early development	Exploitation rate
Ocean current speed	Growth coefficient	Price
Rainfall	Trophic level	Gear
Coastal upwelling index	Longevity/Life span	
Chlorophyll concentration	Lc/Lm	
	Horizontal distribution	
	Duration of spawning	
	Prey specificity	

Vulnerability assessment of resources

Zone	Vulnerability index	Pelagic	Demersal	Crustacean	Molluscs	Impact, Vulnerability
	High	4	5	1	1	and Adaptation
Northwest	Medium	4	6	7	1	Strategies for
zone	Low	2	2	2	1	Marine Fisheries
	High	1	4	3	1	of India
Southwest	Medium	4	8	1	1	IVAS-MFI Project Final Report December, 201
zone	Low	5	1	1	0	Gopalakrishnan A., Zacharia P. U. and Grinson
	High	11	7	4	1	
Southeast	Medium	3	1	2	0	
zone	Low	1	0	0	1	
	High	11	8	3	0	
Northeast	Medium	1	3	0	3	
zone	Low	0	0	2	0	Indian C Central Marine F
Total		47	45	26	10	

Dineshbabu AP, Zacharia PU, Sujitha T, Shoba JK and others (2020) Assessment of stock vulnerability of Indian marine fishes to past changes in climate and options for adaptation. Clim Res 79:175-192. <u>https://doi.org/10.3354/cr01586</u>



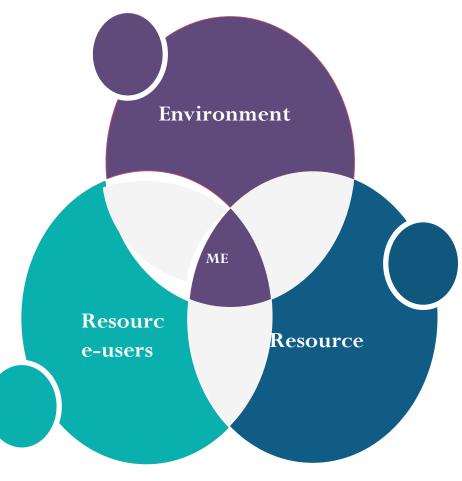


Impact on physical environment Increased SST Sea-level rise Ocean acidification Extreme weather events Changes in rainfall and river run-off Reduction in Oxygen levels

Impact on fishers safety at sea and livelihoods Migration

Loss of income Loss of Property Health problems

Debt and Unemployment



Impact on marine resources Distributional shifts of shellfish and finfish Change in ocean and fish productivity Coral reef habitat destruction Changes in ocean fish productivity Disappearance of coral reef ecosystems Emergence/ exit of species



Shared Socioeconomic Pathways - SSPs

- Sustainability Taking the Green Road (Low challenges to mitigation and adaptation)
- Middle of the Road (Medium challenges to mitigation and adaptation)
- Regional Rivalry A Rocky Road (High challenges to mitigation and adaptation)
- Inequality A Road Divided (Low challenges to mitigation, high challenges to adaptation)
- Fossil-fueled development Taking the Highway (High challenges to mitigation, low challenges to adaptation)

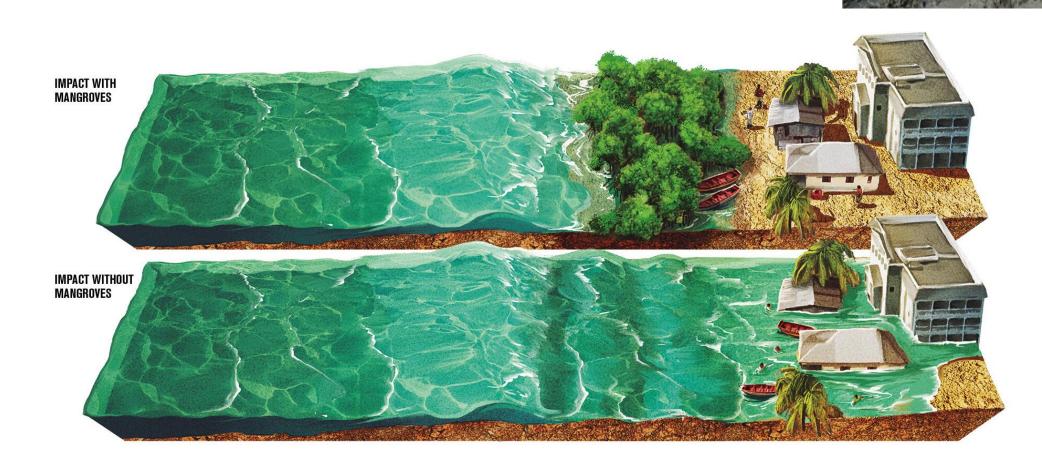


Adaptation framework for Marine Fisheries

Influencing parameters/ variables	Vulnerabilities	Adaptation Strategies				
SST, Salinity, Sea Level Rise SST, Rainfall, Chlorophyll, Wind pattern pH SST GHGs emissions Wind pattern (Extreme events) Sea Level Rise	Ecosystem damage- Mangrove, Coral reefs, seagrass beds	 Habitat mapping, monitoring and management Coastal wetland management and scientific fish farming Vulnerability assessment and monitoring of fisheries resources Potential Fishing Zone Advisories Mariculture of climate resilient species Preventive health management Seaweed farming and bioproducts development 				
	Changes in distribution, abundance, phenology and trophodynamics					
	Ocean Acidification					
	Reduction in fecundity/size					
	Increased C footprint in fishing operations	 Implementation of minimum legal size Sustainable fisheries resource utilization 				
	Income loss due to decline in catch and loss of fishing days	 Algal Biorefineries Integration Harvesting solar energy from oceans Multivendor E-Commerce solutions for income improvement 				
	Inundation and physical damages on coastal areas	 Low cost fishing technologies development Adoption to Integrated farming techniques Enhancing preparedness of coastal population Climate Resilient Coastal Village development 				



Mangrove restorations- global mitigation efforts

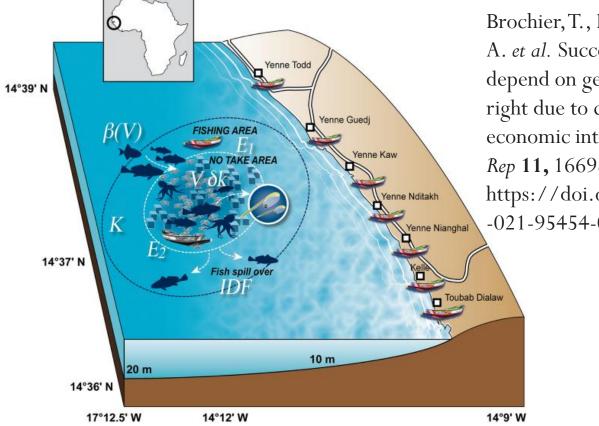






Credits: Dr Joe K Kizhakudan, CMFRI

Artificial reefs to boost fishing in Pulicat - The Hindu



Brochier, T., Brehmer, P., Mbaye, A. *et al.* Successful artificial reefs depend on getting the context right due to complex socio-bioeconomic interactions. *Sci Rep* **11,** 16698 (2021). https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598 -021-95454-0

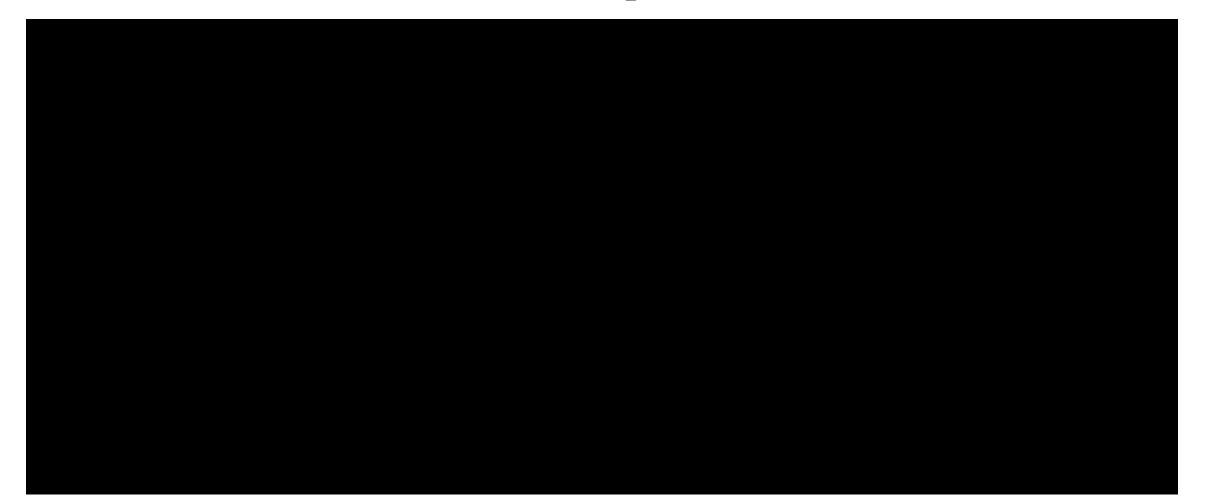
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CMFRI scheme to aid in breeding of fish and re-establish biodiversity in the area



IMTA – credits Drs. R. Jayakumar & B. Johnson, CMFRI-Mandapam



Climate Resilient Products Development

Biofuels

Fish Feed

Enzymes

- Seaweed farming and biorefinery integration
- Aquatic vegetation could be used as substrate for climate resilient product development
- Seaweed based bio-products and biorefineries can scale up farming
- Application of biochar as fish feed resulted in enhanced growth of Tilapia and increases the Pokkali growth



Water hyacinth based biochar was produced in Muffle furnace

Gracillaria, Water hyacinth, Sargassum







Integrated farming Technologies

- To enhance the adaptability, profitability and sustainability of fisheries sector, proven integrated
- farming technologies could be utilized.

• The prospective techniques include ranching, integrated multi-trophic aquaculture (IMTA), Paddy-fish farming, and integration of renewable energy components. Indian coastal waters could be explored as zones for seaweed farming, which promises itself as a climate resilient strategy.



Measurement and monitoring of GHGs and C footprint

- ✓ Sampling through a fabricated floating chamber and simultaneous analysis of greenhouse gases (GHGs), carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O) from the aquaculture ponds
- Continuous measurement of GHGs could be done to monitor the emission trends.
- ✓ The adaptation options in case of higher emissions could be microbial interventions, enhancing the carbon sequestration potential of shrimp culture pond sediment and biochar synthesis from aquaculture ponds



Floating chamber for collection of GHGs flux from aquaculture ponds

Water quality monitoring using Mini Secchi Discs



First step towards Citizen Science Programme.....

What do you gain from this?

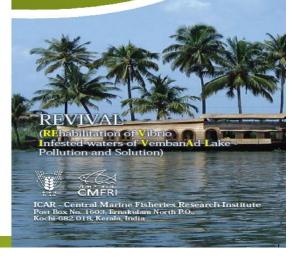
- An opportunity to familiarize yourself with scientific research, which will support you to shape your career in science
- An opportunity to participate in global efforts to eradicate cholera by 2030
- Technical awareness on use of remote sensing tools in environmental monitoring
- Applicants of the training programme will be offered adequate training on how to manage the data collection process.
- Certificates will be given to successful participants.
- In addition to being a part of a scientific work of high social relevance, the students get a chance to interact with reputed scientists from national and international institutions.
- Citizen science revives critical thinking Children exposed to such projects become more aware of the perils in store for them as well as how to deal with them in a realistic manner.
- Above all, they will be contributing to the UN's Sustainable Development Goals, which aim to address global challenges ranging from hunger to environmental degradation by 2030.

Details of Training Programme One day training programme on REVIVAL Citizen Science Venue: CMFRI Auditorium, ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Post Box No. 1603, Ernakulam North P.O. Kochi-682018 Date: 5th August 2019 Registration starts at 9.30 am. Admission free. Restricted to 150 participants. Selection based on first come first serve basis.

For more details, contact: Dr. Generation George Sentor Scientist, ICAR-CMPRIT. Port Rox No. 1803, Ernslaulers North P.O. Rocht-68:2018, Contact. No.-8547857038, 8746866845.5



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Students participate in Vembanad Lake mapping

TIMES NEWS NETWORK Kochi: Around 250 students from 16 colleges joined a mul ti-institutional research pro

tech for optical mapping of lect for optical mapping of Vembanad Lake on Monday Cantral Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFR) to promoto citizen participation in scientific research. The students started collecting data for the study uchn Secch disc. . . . simula

using Secchi disc. — a simple hand-held device to measure turbidity level of water — after undergoing training at the CMFRI. They were also trained to upload the collected data using a mobile app which S project. The students are from colleges in Ernakulam, Alapyuzha and Kottayam.

The research project is aimed at understanding the extent of pathogenic vibrio poliution in the Vembanad lake, didentifying their reservoirs in the ecosystem, mapping the distribution of vibrio carriers using remote-sensing techniques and developing foa ca recast models that would sertice the sensitive sensitive sensitive sensitive techniques and the sensitive sensitive sensitive sensitive techniques sensitive sensitive sensitive sensitive sensitive sensitive sensitive techniques sensitive sensitive sensitive sensitive sensitive sensitive techniques sensitive sen



Students collect data for a research project for optical mapping of Vembanad Lake, near Bolgatty Palace on Monday ve to anticipate hotspots of mi-study on Vembanad Lake.

crobial infection. During the launch of edd the citizen participation stit initiative, CMFRI director A (NI Gopalakrishnan said that tal massive participation of (NI students would enhance the ne i of data collection, which is atti a crucial factor in a research Sci initiative especially the ver

The study is jointly carrife doutly CMPRI, National Institute of Oceanography (NIO), Nansen Environmental Research Centre-India ne Laboratory, UK, under the India-UK Water Quality Initiative of the Department of Science and Technology, Governmentof India.



Hands on training on Mini secchi disc & TurbAqua app.

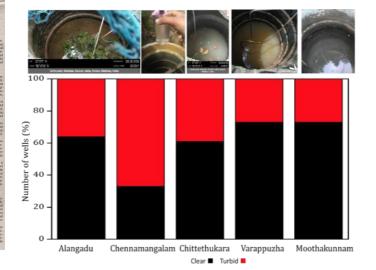
- 1st CSP- Students interaction
- Hosted on- 09th August 2019
- Participants- 250 students from 16 colleges

WP2: Citizen Science

- ➤WP5: User participation and engagement
- Joined hands with a team of experts from district administration, health department, WHO, UNESCO to take preventive measures to control disease outbreaks after the once-in-a-century flood happened in Kerala
- organized a well mapping mission, and supplied cleaning kits
- Water clinic was started to support analysis of well water samples from affected areas
- Conducted a training program for health inspectors of Ernakulam district

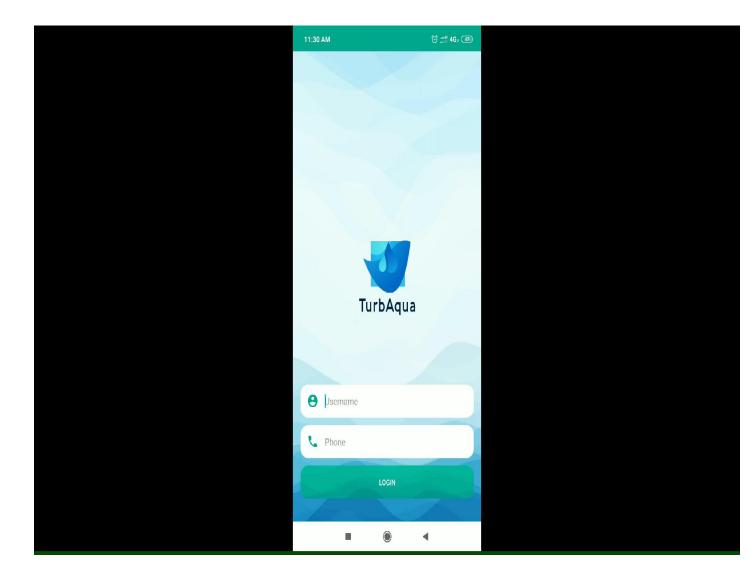


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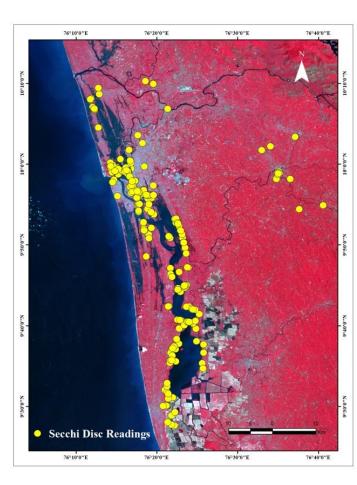
REVIVAL: Observations

- **WP2: Citizen Science**
- WP5: User participation and engagement
 - A Mobile application is designed for public participation in citizen science
 - Secchi disks are continuously used in our field work
 - Distributed to students from CUFOS Cochin and St. Xavier college Vaikom

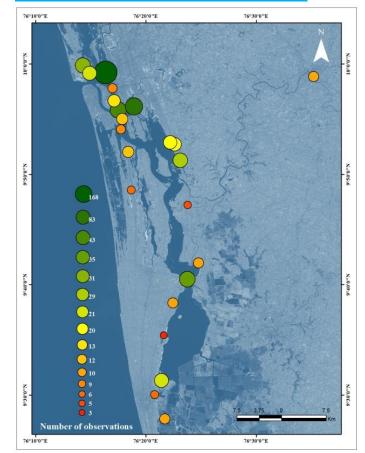




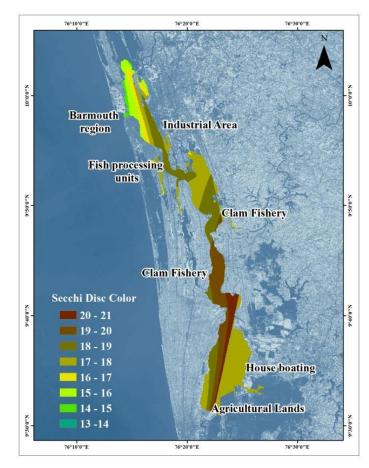
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CITIZEN SCIENCE OBSERVATIONS



SPATIAL PLOTS BASED ON LAKE UTIILIZATION





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COVID-19 related curbs, difficulty in commuting, and arrival of sophisticated supply chains and apps during the pandemic have made life difficult for women engaged in fish vending across the State.

While incidents of police brutality and ill-treatment by protocol enforcers are on the rise, the women say they are aghast at the lukewarm response of the government that considers safety of women a priority.

Fish seller in Thiruvananthapuram claims police threw her fish in the dirt

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Climate Resilient Village Development

Income Improvement for Fisher Folks

Multivendor E-Commerce Framework to Enhance Coastal Fishermen Income

- Support farmers to advance in supply chain
- Empower fisher youth in Aqua Entrepreneurship

In contrast to typical e-commerce ventures where single firm/company as major profit beneficiary, <u>www.marinefishsales.com</u> engages multiple fishermen SHGs as beneficiaries.



Socio Economic Resilience

Components: Admin panel, Vendor panel, Store Front

www.marinefishsales.com

Android App 'marinefishsales' Available for Download in Google Play Store



Govt. of Himachal Pradesh allocated funds in state budget for implementing the same in their state; accordingly Training & Implementation Guidelines has been provided to Dept of Fisheries, HP.

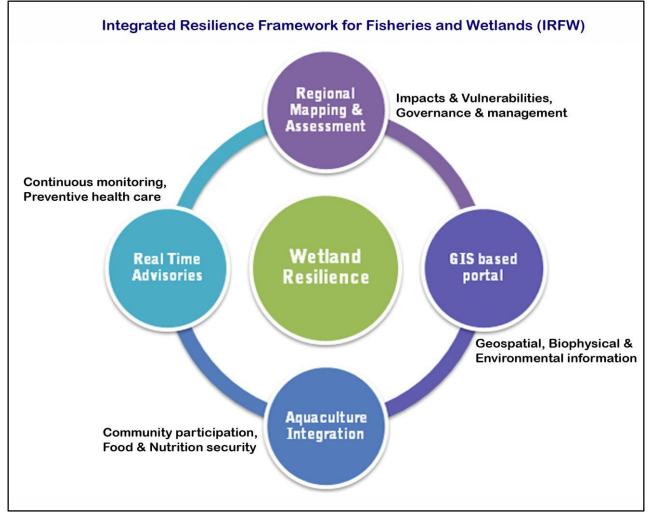
Ecological Resilience

Eco Monitoring

Focus

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- Monitoring GHG emissions from regional wetlands
- Generate continuous qualitative and quantitative data on small (<2.2ha) wetlands using aquaculture and geospatial monitoring
- Develop village level wetland advisories and continuous monitoring system



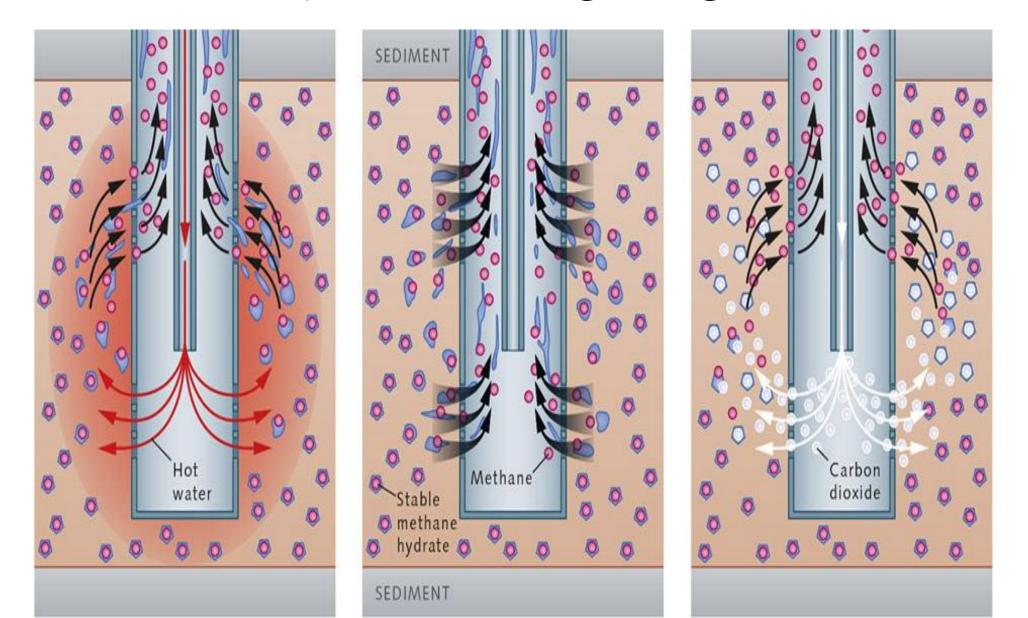
• Location data on small wetlands obtained from Space Application Centre (ISRO), Ahmedabad

Actions

- National wetland portal and Android App being developed in association with SAC, Ahmedabad for wetland data collection and dissemination (physico-chemical and microbiological)
- MOU signing between ISRO and CMFRI on March 6th 2019



Methane Hydrate Mining using CO₂ Filler



Resilience Indicators for coastal fishermen community

Vulnerability in marine fisheries due to CC	Possible measures for resilience	Indicators of measurement of resilience
Reduction in livelihood options of coastal fishermen due to reduced catches	Low -cost cage farming (Both estuarine and mariculture) Pond culture silver pompano (Seed Bank) Empowerment of fishermen through CBA Integration of fish farming with saline tolerant pokkali paddy farming in the fields	 Number of fishermen adopted the alternative options of livelihood Area under cage farming/pond culture of silver pompano/ CBA Increased income to fishermen/farmer Increase in farming days/fishing days Increased production from coastal area Institutional support for alternative farming technologies Tolerant varieties used by farmers (Saline tolerant silver pompano) Seed availability Feed availability Availability of Institutional credit and advisories
Coastal village vulnerability	Development of Participatory Attitude on Preparedness, Adaptation and Mitigation (APAM) framework	 Number of villages with such framework developed Degree of awareness about CC among coastal villagers Increase in infrastructure developed Number of mitigation measures applied in the village Adoption of alternate livelihood options suggested
Loss of livelihood due to natural hazards	Establishment of early warning systems. Installation of Automatic weather stations under NICRA, weather/catch forecast	 Availability of early warning systems Availability of weather forecast Availability of PFZ advisories Availability of community gathering centres Awareness among fishermen about history of natural hazards
Reduced income to fishermen community	Multivendor E-commerce facility for fishermen SHGs for community empowerment and better income.	 Increase in the share of fishermen in consumer rupee Number of SHGs benefited Increase in profit for fisheries stake holders Number of such facility established

Policy strategies recommended by the fisheries section of SAARC

- Identification of problems and vulnerability issues
- Develop South Asian lab network for support & response on issues
- Scale-up best practices in fisheries & aquaculture compatible to climate change
- Alternate energy sources to reduce carbon foot print in fisheries and aquafarming
- Saline, temperature tolerant and fast growing species
- Seasonal aquaculture in perennial waterbodies, farming of carbon sequestering species
- Prioritize for market access, technology, management and operating environment
- Modern farming systems such as RAS, IMTA, cage farming, pen culture, raceway aquaculture and offshore aquaculture based on diversification needs
- Spatial mapping of aquafarming sites by identifying zones of suitable water quality and reducing conflicts among open water bodies and resources
- Ecosystem restoration for mangroves, reefs (artificial reefs) and similar



3. Climate change impact on fisheries and Aquaculture: Making fisheries and aquaculture more adaptive to climate changes

Vulnerability of fishery and aquaculture in the South Asian Region

Bringing unutilized water bodies as horizontal expansion of aquaculture

Practicing seasonal aquaculture in water bodies as climate change adaptation strategy

SAARC Agriculture Centre conducted Regional Consultation on Climate change impact in fisheries and aquaculture







Take home message

- ✓ Climate change is certain and scientific evidences indicate some key issues related to marine ecosystems
- ✓ There are manifestations in different forms extreme events, sea level rise, ecosystem changes and many more
- \checkmark Adaptation strategies are developed with a national plan, let us abide and execute
- \checkmark Resilient and diversified livelihood options can be a game changer
- ✓ Do remember that we have citizen science initiatives join hand in hand with science for data collection and support

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