

Regional Initiatives on
Combating Illegal, Unreported and
Unregulated (IUU) Fishing in Southeast Asia:
Regional Fishing Vessels Record (RFVR)
24 meters in Length and Over

**SEAFDEC/Training Department** 



### What is IUU fishing? (1)

- → FAO Definition: IUU fishing means Illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing
- It occurred in all capture fisheries
  - covering high seas and within EEZ fisheries,
  - Marine and Inland fisheries





### What is IUU fishing? (2)

#### Illegal fishing refers to activities:

- conducted by national or foreign vessels in waters under the jurisdiction of a state, without the permission of that state, or in contravention of its laws and regulations;
- conducted by vessels flying the flag of states;
- in violation of national laws or international obligations, including those undertaken by cooperating states to a relevant regional fisheries management
   COMBATING Organization.





### What is IUU fishing? (3)

#### Unreported fishing refers to fishing activities:

- which have not been reported, or have been misreported, to the relevant national authority, in contravention of national laws and regulations; or
- undertaken in the area of competence of a relevant regional fisheries management organization which have not been reported or have been misreported, in contravention of the reporting procedures of that organization.









### What is IUU fishing? (4)

#### Unregulated fishing refers to fishing activities:

- in the area of application of a relevant regional fisheries management organization that are conducted by vessels without nationality, or by those flying the flag of a state not party to that organization, or by a fishing entity, in a manner that is not consistent with or contravenes the conservation and management measures of that organization; or
- in areas or for fish stocks in relation to which there are no applicable conservation or management measures and where such fishing activities are conducted in a manner inconsistent with state responsibilities for the conservation of living marine resources
   COMBATING under international law.



### Flag state and Port State

#### Flag State

"The state in which the vessel is registered and is entitled to fly its flag"

#### **Port State**

"The state has obligations under international maritime law with regard to foreign flag vessels that are in any of its ports and/or at any of its offshore structure"

### Flag state duties



- Maintain records of fishing vessels entitled to fly their flag and authorized to be used for fishing
- Ensure that no fishing vessels entitled to fly their flag fish on high seas or in the waters under the jurisdiction of other states unless such vessels have been issued with a certificate of registry



### Flag state duties

- Fishing vessels authorized to fish on the high seas or in waters under the jurisdiction of a state other than the flag state, should be marked .....
- Ensure compliance with appropriate safety requirements for fishing vessels and fishers in accordance with international conventions .....



### Fishing License System



Country	Fishing license system
Brunei	<ul> <li>Individual fishing license, authorized by DOF</li> <li>Commercial fishing license, authorized by Ministry of Industry and Primary Resources</li> </ul>
Cambodia	<ul> <li>Fishing vessels with an engine under 33HP, licensing by Provincial fisheries</li> <li>Fishing vessels with an engine above 33HP, licensing by central Fisheries Administration</li> <li>Fishing license valid in 1 year</li> </ul>
Indonesia	<ul> <li>Vessel &lt; 5 GT (registration) authorized by District</li> <li>Vessel 5-10 GT authorized by District</li> <li>Vessel &gt; 10 - 30 GT, authorized by Province</li> <li>Vessel &gt; 30 GT, authorized by Central</li> </ul>
Malaysia	Authorize by DOF, Malaysia and DOF Sabah valid for 1 year



### Fishing License System

Country	Fishing license system
Myanmar	<ul> <li>In-shore fishing license, authorized by DOF (township officer)</li> <li>Off-shore fishing license and fish carrier, authorized by DOF</li> </ul>
Philippine	<ul> <li>Registration of commercial fishing vessels (&gt;3.0 GT) is the authority of MARINA while licensing of commercial fishing vessels is BFAR.</li> <li>No fishing license is issued to fishing vessels without registration paper from MARINA.</li> <li>Valid/ renewable every 3 years</li> <li>Registration of fishing vessels 3 GT and below is the authority of the municipalities/ cities (LGUs)</li> </ul>
Singapore	<ul> <li>Validity for 1 year, renewable and issued by AVA</li> <li>Licensing for inshore and offshore fishing vessels</li> <li>Licensing inboard and outboard fish carrier</li> </ul>



### Fishing License System

Country	Fishing license system
Thailand	One year round beginning from April 1 to March 31 in next year. The license is issued by DOF (district fishery officer) in 23 coastal provinces.
Viet Nam	<ul> <li>Fishing license is valid for 1 year</li> <li>Central level: foreign fishing vessels; Vietnamese fishing vessels operating outsite of Viet Nam sea.</li> <li>Provincial level: all the fishing boats registered in the province</li> </ul>



#### **RFVR** as a Management Tool:

### Background



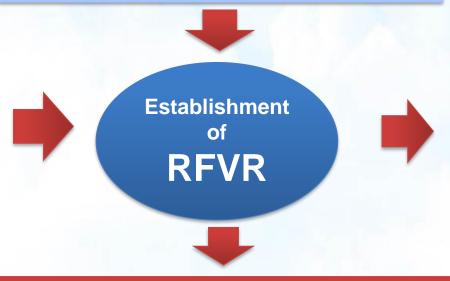
**Extent of practicing IUU fishing in the region** 

45<sup>th</sup> SEAFDEC Council Meeting

22th ASWGFi

SOM-34th AMAF

SEAFDEC assist AMS to combat IUU fishing "Promotion of Sustainable Fisheries and IUU Fishing-related Countermeasures in Southeast Asia"





Expert Group Meeting on Fishing licensing and Boats
Registration (2012)

Technical Workshop on RFVR Database Development and Management in Southeast Asia (2014)

The Regional Technical Consultation on RFVR (2015)

Management tool to reduce IUU fishing

#### **RFVR** as a Management Tool:

## Background (2)



- Management tool to reduce IUU fishing
- Collaboration initiative of AMSs intend to share information on fishing vessels identification and other relevant data/information
- Providing AMSs with reliable and rapid tools to share information on vessels engaging in "International Fishing Operations"
- A practical tool for related authorities of AMSs elimination of IUU fishing in the region
- Facilitation AMSs to take coordinated countermeasures

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## RFVR as a Management Tool: Sharing of Vessel information

Information on fishing vessels	Information on fishing vessels			
1) Name of vessel	15) International Radio Call sign			
2) Vessel Registration Number	16) Engine Brand			
3) Owner Name	17) Serial number of engine			
4) Type of fishing method/gear	18) Hull material			
5) Fishing License number	19) Date of registration			
6) Expiration date of fishing licenses	20) Area (country) of fishing operation			
7) Port of registry	21) Nationality of vessel (flag)			
8) Gross tonnage (GRT/GT)	22) Previous name (if any)			
9) Length (L)	23) Previous flag (if any)			
10) Breadth (B)	24) Name of captain/master			
11) Depth (D)	25) Nationality of captain/master			
12) Engine Power	26) Number of crew (maximum/minimum)			
13) Shipyard/Ship Builder	27) Nationality of crew			
14) Date of launching/Year of built	28) IMO Number (If available)			

## Numbers of Vessel\* & AMSs Concerned to the RFVR-24m

AMS	24m & Over	Less than 24m
Brunei Darussalam	3	2,421
Cambodia	<nil></nil>	7,034
Indonesia	1,935	569,105
Malaysia	140	56,926
Myanmar	664	29,685
Philippines	1,001	472,804
Singapore	<nil></nil>	36
Thailand	219	43,204
Viet Nam	445	118,416

Estimated Numbers of fishing vessel as of October 2014

#### **Access To Database System**



#### AMS requires:

- √www.seafdec.or.th/rfvr/index.php
- ✓ User account & Password for login
- ✓ Registration









TO HOME  EDIT USER PROFILE	CHANGE USERNAME/PASSWORD O LOG	OUT SEAFDEC
WELCOME TO RFVR	DATABASE	
The Regional Fishing Vessel Record (R through the regional cooperation by s	FVR) is a management tool to support in haring the information of fishing vessels	n combating IUU Fishing within the ASEAN Region of 24m in length and over.
VESSEL FLAG:	VESSEL TYPE 2 :	REGISTRATION NUMBER:
- Select All -	Select All	•
VESSEL NAME :	IRCS 2:	ITEMS PER PAGE :

#### **More Information Button**

*	FLAG	NUMBER	VESSEL NAME	VESSEL TYPE	OWNER NAME		
1	MALAYSIA	KHF1342	1.7	PURSE SEINER	KAMARUDDIN BIN YAHYA	•	
2	MALAYSIA	JN3288/2/F	026	TRAWLER	YEOH CHOON CHEK	2	
3	MALAYSIA	PKFA8490	:*:	PURSE SEINER	ANG SWEE HIN	*	
4	MALAYSIA	PSF1777	*	PURSE SEINER	MOOI SIEW KONG		0
5	MALAYSIA	PSF1880	140	PURSE SEINER	TAN KENG HAI	2	
6	MALAYSIA	PSF1888	(J <b>T</b> 6	PURSE SEINER	LIM BAK LAI	*	0
7	MALAYSIA	PSF1928	- 20	PURSE SEINER	NG CHIN SIN	-	0
8	MALAYSIA	PSF1955	170	PURSE SEINER	AZIZ BIN YOUB	*	0
9	MALAYSIA	PSF2515	120	PURSE SEINER	JAHARUDIN BIN YAHAYA		0
10	MALAYSIA	PSF2509	*	PURSE SEINER	OOI CHEE TAT	*:	0
11	MALAYSIA	PSF2518	1/20	PURSE SEINER	LIM BAK LAI	2	0
12	MALAYSIA	SF3-376		TRAWLER	LING SENG CHUONG	*1	0
13	MALAYSIA	SF3-376	2	TRAWLER	LING SENG CHUONG	2	0
14	MALAYSIA	SF2-131		TRAWLER	WONG CHUNG TOH	•	0
15	MALAYSIA	SF2-77	ž.	TRAWLER	WONG ING CHENG		0
16	MALAYSIA	SF2-77	*	TRAWLER	WONG ING KONG		0
17	MALAYSIA	SF2-136	(A)	TRAWLER	TING CHEK LUNG		0
18	MALAYSIA	SF2-38	140	TRAWLER	WONG CHUNG SIONG	2	0
19	MALAYSIA	SF1-3163	*	LIFT NETTER	HAH TIING KING	*	0
20	MALAYSIA	SF2-2002	-2	TRAWLER	TING HOCK SII	2).	0

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#### REGIONAL FISHING VESSELS RECORD (RFVR) 24 METERS IN LENGTH AND OVER



VESSEL INFORMA	TIC	N			<b>▶ X ■ (</b>
Name of Vessel	::	ABRAHAM	Engine Brand	::	CUMMINS
Name of Vessel (Local Language)	::		Serial number of engine	::	
Vessel Registration Number	::	12-0000198	Hull material	::	STEEL
Type of fishing method/gear	::	N/A	Date of registration (dd/mm/yyyy)	::	
Vessel Type	::	CARRIER	Area (country) of fishing operation	::	PHIL WATERS
Port of registry	::		Nationality of vessel (flag)	111	PHILIPPINES
Gross tonnage (GT/GRT)	::	79.08 GT	Previous name (if any)	::	L/B DOLORES 831
Length (m)	::	26.52	Previous flag (if any)	::	No Data
Breadth (m)	11	4.40	Name of captain/ master	::	No Data
Depth (m)	::	2.10	Nationality of captain	::	No Data
Engine Power (DK/KW/HP)	::	145 KW	Number of crew (maximum/minimum)	::	
Shipyard/Builder	::	RD FISHING IND.	Nationality of crew	::	PHILIPPINES
Date of launching (dd/mm/yyyy)	11	*	Owner Name	11	RD FISHING INDUSTRY, INC.
International Radio Call Sign (IRCS)	::	DUL-6561	IMO No.	::	No Data







# THANK YOU

