

WOMEN IN FISHERIES: Experiences and Challenges



มูลนิธิสายใยแผ่นดิน
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Objectives of the project

- **Objectives:**

- 1) To determine the value of the contribution of small-scale fishers to society through quality and safe seafood products generated from responsible and environment-friendly fishing practices, as well as the value of their roles in promoting sustainable coastal resources management.
- 2) To enhance the involvement of public sector in promoting policy change for sustainable coastal and marine resources management.



Working with Community Based Organizations: Community Fish Market, or Small-scale Fishers' association

7 Provinces & 3 Ecosystem

2 provinces @ The Gulf of Thailand

2 provinces @ Songkhla Lake

3 provinces @ Andaman Sea

Women's roles and involvement in coastal fishing communities

- At community level:
 - High participation in community development especially on issues and activities related to improvement of household income and welfares
 - Establishment/Development and management of Community Fish Market (90% are women)
 - Active roles in coastal resources conservation, especially in Songkhla Lake.

Women's roles in fishing household

- Fishing
- Managing their catch: sizing, selling, processing
- Repair fishing gears

What we support to WOMEN

through Community Fish Market (CFM):

- To improve post-harvest handling for organic certification
- To improve management system of the CFM for traceability of their seafood products.
- To improve skill on seafood processing: fish fillet and dried fish & shrimp,
- To support equipment, improve CFM building for better working condition and hygiene.
- To expand seafood market in BKK and at local.
- To empower women to be confident and proud of who they are and what they are doing.

Working Approach with WOMEN

- Supporting on what WOMEN are doing,
- Understanding and respond to their needs and problems,
- Building trust and ownerships among fisher WOMEN and project team members.
- Promoting WOMEN as community representatives,
- Sharing Hope and Dream: transforming project-based to self-reliance (business) sustainable seafood supply chain management.

Impacts of our project on Women livelihood

- Improve their products' quality and income,
- Improve social welfare of community and sustainable coastal resources management situation
- Improve skills, knowledge and attitude,
- Increase job for widows, housewives, students,
- Increase market power at the community level,
- Being confident and proud of themselves in providing high quality of seafood to Thai society: being sold in BKK, high-end restaurant and five stars hotel.





WOMEN and their catch



































Making shrimp Paste





Making dried fish and shrimp



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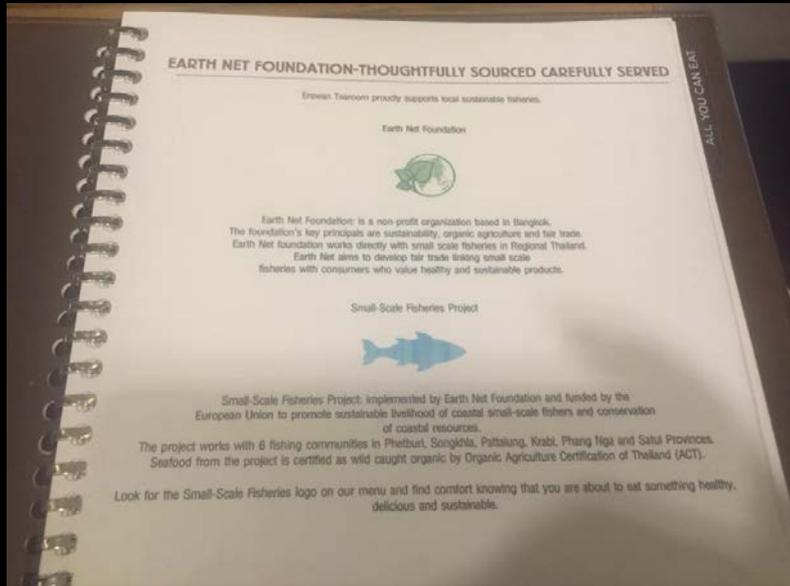
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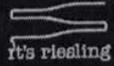


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**On stage
@ Organic and Natural Expo
Last week**





**Meeting with government
to state their problems**



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Eating Fish – Saving Sea Event in BKK





Local Test

**At
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Conducting Crab Bank



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