

Development of a Communication Strategy in support of the Mahe Plateau Trap and Line Fishery Co-management Plan

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Client: Ministry of Fisheries & Blue Economy Country: Republic of Seychelles Project: Third South West Indian Ocean Fisheries Governance and Shared Growth Project (SWIOFish3)



CAMPAIGN NAME & IDENTITY





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COMMUNICATION TOOLS





ALL TARGET

- -An A5, 8 pages booklet 300 copies - English. Objective: to present the Co-management Plan and its measures, the concept of co-management plan and sustainable fisheries.
- -2 standing banners, one in English and one in Creole with information about the Comanagement Plan and its measures that will be used during workshops and fisher meetings.

ARTISANAL FISHERS

- -An A6 poster 100 copies in Creole. This poster will showcase the measures related to this particular target and will be displayed in strategic places where the fishers are used to meet like jetties, community centres.
- A tri fold A5 flyer 250 copies
 Creole. It will be a simplified version of the A5 8 pages booklets with the measures that concerns this target only. It will be distributed on field by the SFA liaison officer and to the different fishers meetings we plan to organise. A numeric version will also be available to download on SFA website.

RESTAURANT, TAKE AWAY, SEAFOOD RETAIL BUSINESS

 -An A6 poster – 100 copies -English. The aim of this poster is for restaurants, take away and seafood retail business to show their clients that they are responsible buyers and that they avoid selling to their clients certain size and fish species as per the measures of the Co-management Plan for the Mahé Plateau trap and line fishery.

KIDS

- -An A6 –50 copies Creole. The aim of this poster will be to sensitise the kids to sustainable fisheries and also to be responsible when they choose which fish to eat. This poster will be distributed to the eco-schools leaders.
- -A game for kids (6 to 11 years old) where there will be a design of a fish stall at the market with different sizes and species of fish. The aim of this game will be for the kids to choose which fish they can buy without compromising the ocean ecosystem.

COMMUNICATION TOOLS – ALL TARGET 8 pages booklet – English

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INTRODUCING THE CO-MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE MAHE PLATEAU TRAP AND LINE FISHERY FOR SEYCHELLES







COMMUNICATION TOOLS – ALL TARGET 8 pages booklet – English



OUR FISHERIES RESOURCES ARE DECREASING

Obecause of unsustainable economic activities including fisheries.



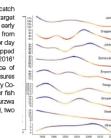
Mr Port-Louis (Fisher - Ma Constance)

"I have been fishing for 50 years. 30 years ago, on a 5 to 6 day fishing trip we were catching between 1000 and 2000 kg of fish. Now, on a 10 to 12 day trip, we catch only 500 kg. There is definitely a need for fisheries' regulations in Seychelles. 50 years ago, there were regulations; size of fish traps mesh for example used to be measured. Police Officers measured the size of the mesh, that was bigger than what it is today. Nowadays, there is no control at all for trap fishing. In the past, the police issued fines to fishers if fish caught were too small. This co-management plan is overdue and should have been implemented 30 years ago. It would be nice to see in 50 years as much fish as I saw 50 years ago but if we continue like this, there won't be any!"

Measuring Sustainability

The Mahé plateau supports an artisanal fishery that The catch rate of is critically important for food security and and snappers has reduced economic development of our nation.. The main species from around 36 kilos per targeted by the hand line fishery are fish such bourzwa, bordmar (snappers), vyey (groupers) and kapitenn day in 1994 to only 16 kilos per day in 2016. rouz, laskar, baksou (emperors), whereas the trap fishery Likewise, the jobfish targets kordonnyen (rabbitfish), kakatwa (parrotfish) and rouze (goatfish). For years fishers have raised concerns catch rate has dropped from 45 kilos per day in over decreasing catch rates and sizes of target species. 1990 to 24 kilos per day Recent scientific studies have produced multiple lines of evidence that overfishing of some of the major In 20161 plateau target species is likely to be occurring and that management intervention is urgently needed.

One scientific study has shown that the average catch rate (catch-per-unit-effort, 'CPUE') across nine target species groups has decreased by 65% since the early 1990's. The catch rate of snappers has reduced from around 36 kilos per day in 1994 to only 16 kilos per day In 2016. Likewise, the jobfish catch rate has dropped from 45 kilos per day in 1990 to 24 kilos per day in 20161 The reduction in catch rates and other evidence of overfishing has prompted the introduction of measures proposed in the Mahe Plateau Trap and Line Fishery Comanagement Plan to improve sustainability of our fish stocks. Such measures include a size limit for bourzwa (Emperor red snapper) and zob gris (Green jobfish), two of the most commercially important species.



Source: Robinson et al. 2020



Empowering Stakeholders to be part of the Solutions: New Fisheries Measures

In February 2020, the government of Seychelles gazetted the Mahe Plateau Trap and Line Fishery Co-management Plan. The Plan provides a pathway for the phased introduction of a series of management measures to rebuild and maintain healthy fish stocks. The development of the Plan and identification of management measures was led by stakeholders. Critically, the Plan is implemented through a co-management institution, ensuring that fishers and other stakeholders will have a role in decision-making for the fisherv.



A sustainable demersal fishery that delivers best possible ecological, economic, and social benefits for the Seychelles through effective, transparent and participatory management.

The plan will be implemented in phases separated by two-year intervals.

The Future of Seychelles Seafood **Resources is in Your Hands** Measures to be implemented in phase 1 of the plan are summarised below



Release all bourzwa that are less

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Abide to a the maximum limit of 25

active traps per licensed fishing

Semi industrial longline fishing

vessels; Abide to a bag limit of 20

demersal fish of any species per

than 32 cm, Fork Length (FL)

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Be a responsible fisher!

bourzwa (Emperor red snapper that are larger than 32 cm Fork Length (FL).

)nly purchase and consume z in (Green lobfish) that are gre than 32 cm Fork Length (FL).

Fish only the maximum limit of 6 traps per boat per day on spawning aggregation sites during spawning

> Do not leave fish traps overnight on kordonnven' spawning sites during the kordonnyen spawning season



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eason from September to April.

fishing trip.





COMMUNICATION TOOLS – ALL TARGET

8 pages booklet – English



The law related to these measures

A person who contravenes the Fisheries (Mahe Plateau Trap and Line Fishery) Regulations 2021, commits an offence and on conviction, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding SCR 20,000.

Do your share to ensure the sustainability of fisheries in Seychelles !



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COMMUNICATION TOOLS – ALL TARGET

Standing banner- English

with information about the Co-management Plan and its measures that will be used during workshops and fisher meetings. Introducing the 1st Co-management Plan for the Mahe Plateau Trap and Line Fishery for Seychelles ROU RECOVER LAMER.

Stocks of fisheries resources are decreasing Our ocean is under threat. Marine resources are depleting as a result of unsustainable economic activities including fisheries

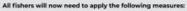
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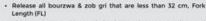
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Measures to be implemented in phase 1 of the plan





 Abide to a the maximum limit of 25 active traps per licensed fishing vessel.

 Protect spawning sites for kordonnyen (Rabbit fish) Fish only the maximum limit of 6 traps per boat per day on spawning aggregation sites during spawning season from September to April. Do not leave fish traps overnight on kordonnyen' spawning sites during the kordonnyen spawning season

All recreational fishers will have to apply the following measures:

- Abide to a bag limit of 5 bourzwa (Emperor red snapper) and 5 zob gris (Green job fish) per person per day.
- Abide to a bag limit of 20 demersal fish of any species per person per day.
- Abide to a maximum limit of 2 traps per vessel per fishing trip.
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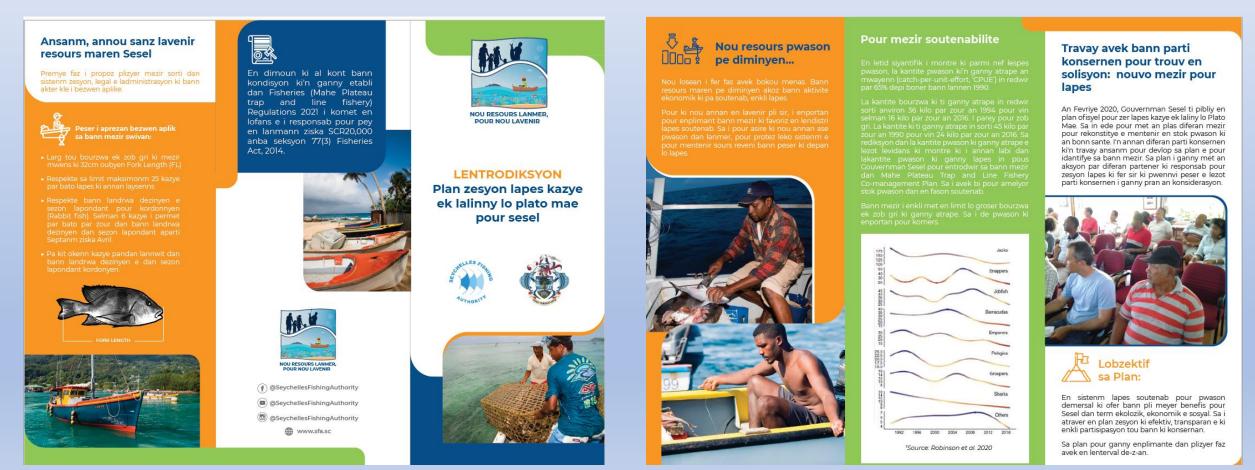




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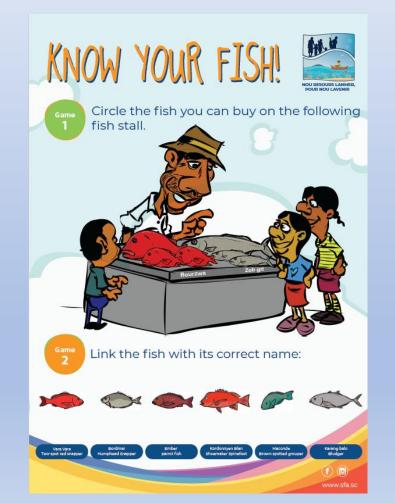




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Game-Creole

(6 to 11 years old) where there will be a design of a fish stall at the market with different sizes and species of fish. The aim of this game will be for the kids to choose which fish they can buy without compromising the ocean ecosystem.







MEDIA PLAN - TV



1. Production of 3 x 30 seconds TV adverts to present the measures as follows:

-One TV advert addressed to the general public focused on measures 1 and 2 concerning the landing size of "bourzwa" and "zob gris". English -One TV advert addressed to the licensed artisanal fishers, fisher associations focused on measures 1, 2, 5, 8, 9. Creole -One TV advert addressed to the recreational fishers focused on measures 3, 4 and 6. English

2. Production of a longer TV advert that includes all the measure of the Co-management Plan for the Mahé Plateau trap and line fishery. Creole

These TV adverts will be broadcasted on SBC, each video will be broadcasted 15 times at peak time as it will also be posted and advertised on SFA's Facebook and Youtube channels.

MEDIA PLAN

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A SONG WITH AN EDUCATION GOAL

Creation of a unique and memorable song focused on sustainable fisheries and the measures of the Co-management Plan for the Mahé Plateau trap and line fishery.

<u>Objective:</u> listeners to understand and remember the importance of sustainable fisheries and the importance of the measures. Produced by Joe Samy. Production of a <u>catchy video clip</u> for this song that will be sent to local radios, TV as well as posted and advertised on the SFA Youtube channel.

Joe Samy video clip 08.06.21.mp4 (dropbox.com)

ONLINE STRATEGY





<u>Webpage on SFA website</u> for the public to have clear access and regular information related to the Co-management Plan for the Mahé Plateau trap and line fishery and its measures.

Co-management Plan for the Mahe Plateau trap and line fishery (sfa.sc)

ONLINE STRATEGY

Social media

Social media Strategy: social media advertising, social media social media graphic design for 8 posts and a cover image related to the different measures. Content will be posted on SFA Facebook account and creation of a SFA Instagram account



TIMELINE



ACTIVITIES	9	September					October				over	nbe	۲	December			
	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26
Booklet in English - launch and distribution																	
Fisher posters in creole - launch and distribution																	
Tri- fold flyers in Creole- launch and distribution																	
Standing banner - launch and distribution																	
Poster for restaurant, take away in english - launch and																	
distribution																	
kids poster in creole- launch and distribution																	
kids game- launch and distribution																	
Social media communication campaign including advertising																	
campaign																	
One emailing to the different target with the booklet and flyer																	
TV adverts broadcasted on local chanels																	
Youtube ads (TV adverts)																	
Fishers district meetings (Praslin, Mahé, La Digue) - support and																	
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Workshop with eco schools leaders (date to be discussed with																	
Ministry of Education and MAECC)																	
Launch and publicity of Joe Samy song and video																	
Radio campaign on Pure FM, parasise FM and K-radio																	
Press release to be issued in all Seychelles media to present															T		
theplan																	
Coordination for talks on Bonzour Sesel, 4 degre Sud																	



THANK YOU!!



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