

Workshop on EAFM Plan Development for Koh Panyee and Rawai

19-21 August 2025 Trang Province

Introduction

The Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management (EAFM) is essential for addressing the complexities of marine resource management by fostering sustainable practices through stakeholder collaboration. This workshop aims to develop EAFM plans for two key Fishery Management Units (FMUs) in Koh Panyee (Phang Nga Province) and Rawai (Satun Province) as part of the Bay of Bengal Large Marine Ecosystem (BOBLME) Phase II Project. This project emphasizes resource conservation and sustainable marine ecosystem use, aiming to implement two EAFM plans per participating country.

Scheduled from 19-21 August 2025 in Trang Province, this workshop builds on the achievements of the past year, with preliminary work completed in June 2025 to define FMUs and engage stakeholders. The workshop will focus on enhancing capacity and practices in fisheries management by addressing specific community challenges, including gender considerations in fisheries management and the sustainability of Indian mackerel fish stock.

Objectives

1. **Develop EAFM Plans:** Facilitate tailored EAFM plans for Koh Panyee and Rawai, addressing local challenges and needs, including gender equity and sustainable stock management.
2. **Develop Implementation Plans:** Develop actionable strategies for executing management actions.
3. **Enhance Capacity:** Strengthen skills through targeted training on EAFM implementation.
4. **Promote Collaboration:** Encourage stakeholder collaboration for local ownership and active engagement in fisheries management.

Expected Outputs

1. **Tailored EAFM Plans:** Comprehensive plans for Koh Panyee and Rawai, incorporating stakeholder inputs and addressing community-specific challenges, with a focus on gender and Indian mackerel sustainability.
2. **Implementation Strategies:** Detailed plans for executing management actions.
3. **Enhanced Skills:** Improved participant knowledge through EAFM and gender-focused training.
4. **Strengthened Networks:** Established networks to support ongoing EAFM cooperation.

Target Participants

1. Chief of Phang Nga and Satun Fisheries Provincial Offices
2. Local government and fisheries department representatives
3. Community leaders from Koh Panyee and Rawai
4. Local fishing community organizations
5. Academics and researchers in sustainable fisheries practices
6. EAFM practitioners and trainers

Timetable

19 August 2025	
0830-0900	Registration
0900-0930	Opening Ceremony: Welcome Remarks by Chief of Trang Fisheries Provincial Office and Workshop Opening by SG/TDC
0900-1000	Participant Introductions
1000-1100	Presentation on Background of the Workshop
1100-1130	Overview of EAFM Framework and Plan Development
1130-1200	Gender in Fisheries Management: Equity and Importance
1200-1300	Lunch Break
1300-1400	Special Talk: Precautionary Measures for Indian Mackerel Fish Stock and Appropriate Fisheries Management in Satun
1400-1500	Review of FMU Maps and Draft Plans
1500-1600	Group Discussions on Local Challenges and Needs
1600-1630	Day 1 Wrap-Up
20 August 2025	
0900-1200	Refinement and Finalization of EAFM Plans for Koh Panyee and Rawai
1200-1300	Lunch Break
1300-1600	Work Groups on Implementation and Work Plans Development
1600-1630	Day 2 Wrap-Up
21 August 2025	
0900-1100	Presentation of Final EAFM and Implementation Plans
1100-1130	Feedback and Advice from Chiefs of Phang Nga and Satun Fisheries Provincial Offices
1130-1200	Closing Ceremony: Way Forward in Formalizing EAFM Plans by Chiefs of Phang Nga and Satun Fisheries Offices & Workshop Closing by SG/TDC
1200-1300	Lunch Together