



Provisional Prospectus

Conducting the Stakeholder Consultation Workshop on Fisher's Livelihood Improvement through Indo-Pacific Mackerel from Gillnet Supply Chain Study Results in Thasala District, Nakhon Si Thammarat Province, Thailand, 1-4 September 2026

I. Introduction

The small-scale fisheries supply chain improvement initiative is being implemented under the project "Improving Fishers' Livelihood and Fisheries Co-Management in Inland and Coastal Small-Scale Fisheries" (2025–2029), supported by the Japanese Trust Fund VII (JTF7). The project aims to enhance the livelihoods of small-scale fishers through improved supply chain efficiency, market access, value addition, and evidence-based interventions that contribute to sustainable fisheries development. As part of the project, supply chain studies were conducted in three pilot sites in Lao PDR, the Philippines, and Thailand to examine the structure and functions of fisheries supply chains, including production, processing, distribution, and marketing, and to identify key challenges and opportunities for improvement.

In Thailand, the study focused on the Indo-Pacific Mackerel supply chain from gillnet fisheries in Thasala District, Nakhon Si Thammarat Province. The study findings were reviewed and finalized during the Workshop on the Finalization of Small-Scale Fisheries Supply Chain Study Reports in Three Pilot Sites, held on 9–11 June 2026 at SEAFDEC/TD. The results indicated that improving market efficiency and reducing dependence on unnecessary intermediaries could enhance fishers' incomes and strengthen the overall performance of the supply chain. The study further highlighted the importance of strengthening direct market linkages, improving fishers' marketing capacity, and increasing access to higher-value markets. In addition, stakeholder capacity development, climate resilience, gender equality, and social inclusion (GESI) were identified as key cross-cutting priorities for strengthening the sustainability and resilience of small-scale fisheries supply chains.

To validate the study findings and build consensus on future actions, the Stakeholder Consultation Workshop on Fisher's Livelihood Improvement through Indo-Pacific Mackerel from Gillnet Supply Chain Study Results in Thasala District, Nakhon Si Thammarat Province, Thailand, will be organized to bring together government agencies, fishers, traders, retailers, researchers, and other relevant stakeholders for reviewing the findings, discussing priority interventions, and strengthen collaboration among supply chain actors. Through participatory consultation and knowledge exchange, the workshop is expected to support the development of a more sustainable, resilient, and inclusive mackerel supply chain that contributes to improved livelihoods for fishing communities and the long-term sustainability of fisheries resources in Thailand.

II. Objectives

The objectives of preparing and conducting the stakeholder workshop are to:

1. Report the study findings and validate the results through consultation with all relevant stakeholders.
2. Finalize proposed activities and interventions in collaboration with stakeholders to support and strengthen the fishing community.
3. Build the capacity of the community in climate resilience and gender responsiveness as a cross-cutting issue for small-scale supply chain development.

III. Expected outputs

1. Validated study findings and supply chain information through feedback and input from relevant stakeholders.
2. A finalized action plan or roadmap to support sustainable supply chain development and improve the livelihoods of the fishing community.
3. Strengthened coordination and collaboration among government agencies, fishers, traders, processors, and other stakeholders.

IV. Participants

1. Five Officers from the Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division, Department of Fisheries, Thailand, DOF from Songkhla Province
2. Three SEAFDEC officers
3. At least 40 stakeholder representatives from the Indo-Pacific Mackerel Gillnet supply chain, including fishers, middlepersons, retailers, restaurants/shops, local authorities, traders, processors, researchers, and development partners.

V. Tentative Schedule

Time	Activity	Responsible team/Remark
Tuesday, 1 September 2026 (Day 1)		
06.00-12.00	Travel from Bangkok to Nakhon Si Thammarat Province	SEAFDEC/TD and DOF
12.00-13.00	Lunch	
13.00-16.00	Discussion with DOF to prepare the stakeholder workshop	SEAFDEC/TD and DOF
Wednesday, 2 September 2026 (Day 2)		
08.30-12.00	Conduct the stakeholder workshop at Ban Nai Thung Village - Indo-Pacific Mackerel from Mackerel Gillnet Fisheries Results Supply Chain - Identify the intervention	SEAFDEC/TD and DOF <i>Mr. Wirot Kongasa</i> and his team are the main presenters and facilitators
12.00-13.00	Lunch	
13.00-16.00	Strengthening the Capacity of Stakeholders: - Enhancing understanding of climate resilience and adaptation measures by <i>Rattana</i> - Promoting awareness and understanding of gender equality and social inclusion (GESI) by <i>Jariya</i>	SEAFDEC/TD
Thursday, 3 September 2026 (Day 3)		
09.00-12.00	Meeting with DOF to summarize the stakeholder workshop results	SEAFDEC/TD and DOF
12.00-14.00	Lunch (time including traveling to the DOF provincial office)	
14.00-16.00	Meeting with the DOF provincial to report on the results of the stakeholder workshop	SEAFDEC/TD and DOF
Friday, 4 September 2026 (Day 4)		
09.00-12.00	Wrap up with the focal point on the way forward	SEAFDEC/TD and DOF
12.00-13.00	Lunch	Traveling back after lunch