



# **REBYC**

Reduction of Environmental Impact from Tropical Shrimp Trawling, through the introduction of By-catch  
Reduction Technologies and Change of Management  
(EP/GLO/201/GEF)

## **COSTA RICA**

Progress report to the project coordinator  
EP/GLO/201/GEF

January- June 2005



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Country: Costa Rica

Reporting period (6-months from January to June 2005).

Reporting Officer = National Coordinator (name /title):

Antonio Porras National Coordinator

1. List the meetings of the National Steering Committee held: (gives dates, places):

- a) February, 22. Puntarenas
- b) May, 03. Puntarenas
- c) June, 02 Puntarenas

Summarize the main points from these meetings, and please provide separately a copy of the "minutes" including names/titles of the participants:

a) The Work Plan for the year 2005 and the budget for the execution timeframe of the projects were approved.

b) The FAO acknowledged and approved the Work Plan together with the amount of funds sent to the FAO Representation in Costa Rican.

c) The Terms of Reference of the Consultant, who will characterize the Costa Rican Coastal Shrimp Trawling Fleet, were approved.

d) A research project by a professor of the University of Costa Rica about deep water shrimp was presented to the National Steering Committee. This project is financed by a German company and a local company and it is considered that the results generated by this project could be used as complementary information to the Project PG/GLO/2001/GEF.

e) Planning of the visit of the Mexican Technical Experts.

f) Information regarding Fish Excluding Devices was presented to the Committee members.

2. Describe the progress of each activity

(as listed in the project document, section 4.5 General Workplan and Timetable)

- Establishment of National Committee
- Meetings of National Committee

3. Describe briefly any workshops, training, or demonstration activities undertaken. Indicate location, and number of participants and days.

None

4. Describe the progress of each national project activity (as scheduled under the LOA with FAO).

- Preparation and approval of the working plan
- Preparation and approval of the budget
- Collection and assessment of information for the characterization of the coastal shrimp trawling fleet.

5. Give other general comments on the current status of the shrimp-trawling industry.

The shrimp-trawling industry showed a small improvement in the capture of shrimp and has participated in the project by providing information for the characterization of the fleet.

6. List (for this reporting period) the financial inputs (in-kind) by government:

e.g. professional staff (m/m): 1.0 (m/m) US\$ 1500  
 Support staff (m/m/): 0.5 (m/m) US\$ 300  
 Travel expenses: None  
 Operating expenses: US\$ 150  
 Equipment: US\$ 300  
 etc

by industry:

e.g. Professional staff (m/m):  
 Support staff (m/m/): 0.5 (m/m) US\$ 500  
 Travel expenses:  
 Operating expenses:  
 Equipment:  
 Etc

7. Estimation of by-catch reduction:

Number of shrimp trawlers: About 45

Number of shrimp-trawlers currently using BRDs: (expand by major-type of shrimp-trawler (if possible)) None

shrimp trawlers

fish trawlers

pair trawlers

8. List any equipment purchased, with indication of price and present location of the item(s).

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Date of Purchase	Description of item	Serial No.	Quantity	Location	Cost US\$	Remarks
	Computer	45132878K	1	INCOPESCA Puntarenas		
	Color inJet	FKAK007429	1	INCOPESCA Puntarenas		
	UPS	G50200757		INCOPESCA Puntarenas		