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Reporting period (6 months from July to December 2005).

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National Coordinator

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

- a) August, 04. Puntarenas
- b) October, 06. Puntarenas
- c) November, 03. Puntarenas

summarize the main points from these meeting, and please provide separately a copy of the minutes, **including names/titles of the participants:**

- a) Planning of the visit of the Mexican Technical Experts
- b) Analysis and advantage of the knowledge acquired in Colombian Workshop.
- c) Analysis of results of Technical Mission of Mexican Experts
- d) Analysis of results of the net of test left by Mexican experts
- e) Analysis of report presented by participants in technical visit made by two representatives of Costa Rican Stockolders and one from by the member Board of directors from the INCOPECA to Mexico
- f) Agreement on use of net trawlers and BRDs used by fleet Mexican shrimp fishery, for the experimental phase of the Project

2. Describe the progress of each national project activity

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

- Collects of information of field of characteristics of the fleet shrimp fishery
- There have been three meetings of National Steering Committee
- Technical assistance of two Mexican experts from IPN, to test modification of Costa Rican shrimp trawls
- Receipt of Mexican experts in arts of fishing to verify the information collected on the characteristics of the fleet semi industrialist
- One Workshop with fishermen, technicians, boat owners, skippers and net makers
- Analysis of information of Technical Mission of Mexican experts on fishing arts
- Elaboration and shipment of Report of the second semester of the 2005
- Participation in Meeting of National Coordinators in Mexico
- Costarrican technical were sent to a training Workshop in Colombia
- Visit made by two representatives of Costa Rican Stockolders and one from by the member Board of directors from the INCOPECA to Mexico to have the whole écheme of shrimp fishery in México.

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

Shrimp Trawling Fishery Colombian Workshop. Colombia. Two participants. July 12-26.2005

Workshop with INCOPECA authorities/ researchers and stockholders (boat owners, skippers and net makers) to presentation of preliminary results. Puntarenas, Costa Rica. Thirty and nine participants. September, 3. 2005.

Conference it on the Project. Seventeen participants. October 20

A visit to Mexico of two representatives of Costa Rican Stockholders and one from INCOPESCA, during which they met with IPN technologist, stockholders, net makers. The visit included a short fishing trip in a commercial trawler already using Dyneema shrimp trawls and Hi-Lift otter boards.

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

The shrimp trawling industry showed a small improvement in the captures of shrimp and has continue participated in the Project by providing boats for the net trawlers probes

5. List the financial inputs (in-kind, in US\$)

a) by government, for this reporting period:

professional staff:	3.6 (m/m)	US\$ 5500
support staff:	1.6 (m/m)	US\$ 960
travel expenses:		US\$ 45
operating expenses:		US\$ 200
equipment:		US\$ 300
other		

b) by government, from the beginning of the project:

professional staff:	3.6 (m/m)	US\$ 7000
support staff:	1.6 (m/m)	US\$ 1260
travel expenses:		US\$ 45
operating expenses:		US\$ 350
equipment:		US\$ 600
other		

c) by the industry, for this reporting period:

professional staff:	2.0 (m/m)	US\$ 2000
support staff:	14 (m/m)	US\$ 6000
travel expenses:		US\$ 35
operating expenses:		US\$ 8500
equipment:		US\$ 100
other		

d) by the industry, from the beginning of the project:

professional staff:	2.0 (m/m)	US\$ 2000
support staff:	14 (m/m)	US\$ 6500
travel expenses:		US\$ 35
operating expenses:		US\$ 8500
equipment:		US\$ 100
other		

6. Estimation of by-catch reduction:

a) Total Number of shrimp trawlers: About 45

b) Number of shrimp-trawlers that used BRDs when the project started: None

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

shrimp trawlers
fish trawlers
pair trawlers

7. List all equipment purchased, indicating date of purchase, serial number, quantity, cost in US\$, and any remarks (for vehicles, give mileage report).

equipment purchased	date of purchase	serial number	quantity	cost in US\$
shrimp trawls	August,29	-----	1	1948.8