



Gender Roles in Fisheries

let's see what women and men are doing in fisheries





It has generally been perceived that the fisheries sector is dominated by men, especially in the capture fisheries sub-sector.



90% of the world's fishers working in the small-scale sector (Kolding et al., 2014)



70% of the global fish catch comes from small-scale fisheries, with a further 200-300 million people, many of whom are women, working in fisheries value chains (Kolding et al., 2014)



50% of women globally work for small-scale fisheries, particularly in processing and trade. (FAO, 2011)



60% of Women in Asia involve in seafood market (processing and trading)

Roles of Women and Men in Fisheries: Fishing



Women fishing along the shore

**: Blood Cockle and Mantis Shrimp
were collected by hand in
Cambodia**



While men go fishing at Sea



Roles of Women and Men in Fisheries: Fishing gear



Crab Trap fixing in Thailand



Net fixing in Cambodia



Combining net in Myanmar

Women and Men working together in making and maintaining their fishing gear

Roles of Women and Men in Fisheries: Fish processing



Fish Cutting in Thailand



Shrimp Paste Making in Myanmar



Peeling Mantis Shrimp in Thailand



Peeling Blue Swimming Crab in Cambodia



Dry Shrimp Processing in Cambodia



Anchovy Product in Malaysia

Women are mainly working in fish processing

Roles of Women and Men in Fisheries: Fish trading



Fish Sorting in Malaysia



Fish Sorting and Unloading in Viet Nam



Trader/Middle Person in Indonesia



Trader/Middle Person in Philippines



Local Market in Thailand



Fish Market in Cambodia

Women mainly work as fish traders in the local market, while at the fishing port, women and men can be the middle persons, fish sorter, etc.

From the roles, the result showed that women and men are important in fisheries, Therefore, when we have fisheries management or development project we should;



- Engaging women and men in fisheries management project;
- Identifying the impact from the project to women and men; and
- Empowering women and men by involving them in decision-making.



To equity benefit to everyone



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