

## Indian Ocean tuna - longline (FCF)

## Overview

## FIP Description

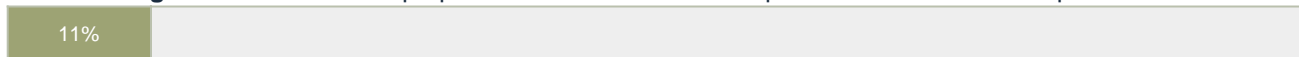
The FIP first launched as the Indian Ocean Albacore Tuna Longline fishery but after a scope extension in October 2021, the fishery now fishery targets albacore (*Thunnus alalunga*), bigeye (*T. obesus*) and yellowfin (*T. albacares*). The pelagic longline vessels are flagged to China, Taiwan, Malaysia, Seychelles and Oman and fish on the high seas of the Indian Ocean and within the EEZ's of Mauritius, Seychelles, and Madagascar. The fishery is managed regionally by the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC).

## How is this FIP Doing?

## Current Status:



**Actions Progress** This shows the proportion of actions in the workplan that the FIP has completed.



**Actions Overview** This shows the proportion of actions that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
89%	0%	11%	0%

**Red Indicator Progress** This shows the proportion of actions specifically addressing red indicators that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started. This helps users understand the progress the FIP is making on the biggest challenges in the fishery.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
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100%	0%	0%	0%
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**FIP Progress Rating**

A - Advanced Progress

**FIP Objective(s)**

- There shall be robust and precautionary harvest strategies in place for Indian Ocean (IO) tuna
- A comprehensive range of information related to stock structure, stock productivity, fleet composition and other data are available to support the harvest strategy; and all information required by the harvest control rule is monitored with high frequency and a high degree of certainty.
- Improved availability of accurate and comprehensive data on catches, especially bycatch, by strengthening information systems and training. Recording and reporting of discards
- Strengthened Endangered, Threatened and Protected and retained species management strategies; and ensure the fishery is not hindering the recovery of species
- Evidence that the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission and flag states have solid fisheries management at a level to pass Principle 3 of the MSC assessment.
- To achieve a certifiable status by the end of 2024.

**FIP Type**  
Comprehensive

**FIP Stage**  
Stage 4: Improvements in Fishing Practices or Fishery Management

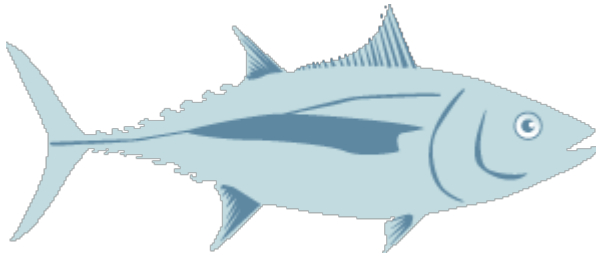
**Start and Projected End Dates**  
November, 2019 -  
April, 2025

**Species**

**Common Name**  
Albacore Tuna

**Scientific Name**  
Thunnus alalunga

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**Common Name**

Bigeye Tuna

**Scientific Name**

Thunnus obesus

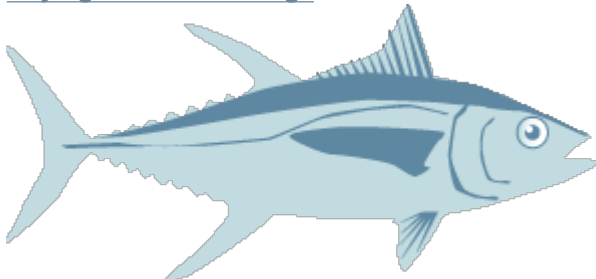
**Common Name**

Yellowfin Tuna

**Scientific Name**

Thunnus albacares

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**Gear Type**

[Longline](#)

**Location**

**FAO Major Fishing Area**

[Area 51 \(Indian Ocean, Western\)](#)

[Area 57 \(Indian Ocean, Eastern\)](#)

**Exclusive Economic Zones**

**Country**

Madagascar

**Geographic Scope**

The entire country

**Country**

Mauritius

**Geographic Scope**

The entire country

**Country**

Seychelles

**Geographic Scope**

The entire country

**Country Flag of Vessel**

Taiwan

**Country Flag of Vessel**

China

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Malaysia

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Seychelles

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Oman

**Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)**

IOTC

**High Seas Name**

Indian Ocean

**Estimated Total FIP Landings**

25000 metric tons

**FIP Leads**

**Organization Name**

KangTai (KT Asia)

**Organization Type**

Consultant

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