Overview

FIP Description

Note: This FIP went inactive on January 27, 2020.

The Kien Giang blue swimming crab fishery supports the livelihoods of an estimated 20,000 fishers and their families. The blue swimming crab is also an important export product for Vietnam. Yet there are critical issues facing this fishery, including the harvest of undersized crab and gravid females, a lack of sound knowledge of the health of the stock, and lack of enforcement capacity. Through the active involvement of FIP stakeholders, such as the Department of Agriculture and Resource Development (DARD), Research Institute Fisheries Management and Provincial Peoples Committee, and FIP participants, the sustainability challenges facing this fishery are being addressed.

How is this FIP Doing?

Current Status:

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

29%

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

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**FIP Objective(s)**
The objective of this FIP is to ensure the long term livelihood of fishers by establishing sustainable resource management for Kien Giang's Blue Swimming Crab fishery, and supporting preservation of allied ecosystems from which these resources depend.

The project goals are as follows:

- Stock status and fisheries management: *To ensure that the crab catch does not exceed sustainable levels*
- Ecosystem management: *To promote the ecosystem based approach to fisheries management*
- Governance systems: *To strengthen governance systems in the Kien Giang crab fishery*

**FIP Type**
Comprehensive

**FIP Stage**
Stage 5: Improvements on the Water

**Start and Projected End Dates**
September, 2010 - December, 2025

**Species**

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**Gear Type**

- Bottom Gillnet
- Pot/Trap

**Location**

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Viet Nam

Geographic Scope
Kien Giang Province

Estimated Total FIP Landings
3632 metric tons

FIP Leads

Organization Name
Vietnam Association of Seafood Exporters & Producers (VASEP)

Organization Type
Industry

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