

## PROSPECTIVE Indonesia Sumatra yellowfin tuna & skipjack tuna - purse seine

### Overview

#### FIP Description

The Prospective Fishery Improvement Project (FIP) focuses on commercial purse seine fisheries in Aceh Province, Indonesia. Approximately 200 vessels operate in the Unit of Assessment (UoA), with 40 vessels already committed to the FIP's early development stage through partnerships with local companies.

The project aims to improve fisheries management and enhance environmental and social sustainability, ultimately achieving Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) certification. Target species include skipjack and yellowfin tuna in Indian Ocean. The MSC pre-assessment is currently ongoing, with the goal of completing Fisheryprogress Stage 2 within one year.

The Aceh Province offers a unique context for this FIP. Having recovered from the devastating 2006 tsunami, the region boasts strong customary law, represented by Panglima Laot, which designates "no fishing" days. Additionally, the province's special autonomy grants local authority over vessels up to 60 GT, differing from other provinces.

The tuna supply chain involves landing and storage in Aceh, with some processing and exporting activities taking place in North Sumatera (Medan).

### How is this FIP Doing?

#### Current Status:

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

0%

**FIP Type**

Prospective

**FIP Stage**

Stage 0: FIP Identification

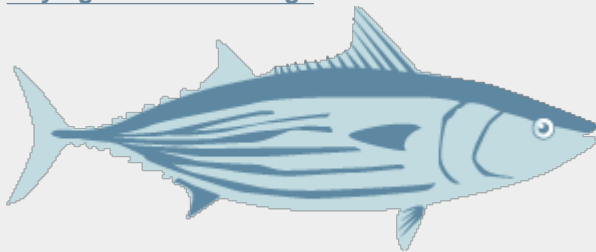
**Start and Projected End Dates****Species****Common Name**

Skipjack Tuna

**Scientific Name**

Katsuwonus pelamis

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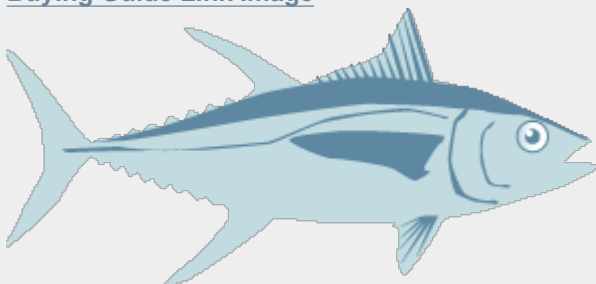
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Yellowfin Tuna

**Scientific Name**

Thunnus albacares

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**Gear Type**

**Location**

**FAO Major Fishing Area**

Area 57 (Indian Ocean, Eastern)

**Exclusive Economic Zones**

**Country**

Indonesia

**Geographic Scope**

Aceh

**Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)**

IOTC

**FIP Leads**

**Organization Name**

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Industry

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