## Vietnam swordfish FIP. Initiatives to increase survival rates of sharks caught incidentally in the fishery.

Sea Delight commissioned the design and manufacturing of simple locally made hook removing and fishing line cutting tools in March 2022. These are made by local blacksmiths who specialize in home cutlery and farming tools. They can easily be made in any province in Vietnam. The tools will be tested by COPPA fishers in Nha Trang on the next fishing trips in June 2022. The goal is to encourage fishers to release accidentally hooked sharks before bringing them onboard the vessel to reduce possible injury to the animals.

Picture 1. Dehooking tool (above) and line cutter (below).



Picture 2. Setting dehooking tool to slide down fishing line and cut line near hook.

