

Antigua & Barbuda Country Update

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Workshop on FAD Fishery Managements

9th -11th December 2013

St. Vincent and the Grenadines

Updated Country Activities

Identified FAD Fishers and explained project
Consultation with fishers
NJCC meeting – Presentation of work plan
Procurement of ID card printer
Participation in Training Course for FEW
Continuing discussions on strategy for FAD
fishing licence/permit

Action Plan From Okinawa – Fiji Training

Situation of target area and target group

These Fishers are currently seeking to capitalize on the underutilized pelagic resources in an effort to be able to remove them from having to compete too much for the already heavily fished demersal fish.

Overall Goal (After ten years vision)

Fishers will be involved in co-management activities and will be able to develop, manage and maintain effective fisher-folk organizations.

Project Purpose (in Action plan)

To get fishers engaged in the utilization of FADs to assist them to successfully harvest pelagic fish in an effort to facilitate co-management through working together to construct, deploy, manage, maintain and monitor these FADs.

Project Outputs, Activities and Implementation Schedule

Outputs	Activities	2013	2014				2015				
Output 3: Fishers have more experience in FAD design and construction	Activity 3-1: Fishers receive training in FAD design and construction										
	Activity 3-2: Invite FAD fishing experts from Dominica to Antigua & Barbuda										
	Activity 3-3: Consultation with JICA Regional Expert and D.O.F Dominica to get FAD fishing experts to train local Fishers in FAD design construction and fishing technology.										
Output 4: Monitoring and Evaluation of the FAD program	Activity 4-1: Presentation of progress report										
	Activity 4-2: Collection of FAD landing data										
	Activity 4-3: Training of Data Collector										
	Activity 4-3: Contracting data collector										

Important Assumption

The FAD activities will create a common interest for Fishers to facilitate Co-management.

Pre-condition

- 1) Budget is allocated for purchasing FAD materials
- 2) Fishers are able to agree on policies for FAD operations and management

Implementation Structure (Strategy) of the Project

The project will be implemented under the auspices the JICA CARIFICO project with the guidance of the Fisheries Division with the support of the local FAD Fishers.

Continuous monitoring and evaluation of the project's activities will be done by the Fisheries Division and support from the FAD Fishers.

Implementation Structure (Strategy) of the Project

Catch data from FAD fishing will be collected to compare to non-FAD (pelagic) fishing trips in order to monitor the economic benefits of the program.

Fisheries Co-management will be promoted throughout and beyond the duration of the project period.

To Do List/Work Plan

- Data Collector/Collection
- Design and Issue Log book
- FAD licence/permit
 - User fee
- Training of Fishers in drop line fishing
- Handling of large pelagic fish
- Post harvest processing

To Do List/Work Plan

- Develop policies for operating around FADs
- Outfitting of vessel
- Finalize FAD design
- Deployment of FADs
- Marketing of large pelagic to local consumers

To Do List/Work Plan

- Maintenance of FADS
- Monitoring and evaluation of program
- Updating regulations to include FAD fishing Licence/Permit
- Continue dialogue with port authority on areas to set FAD.



Thank You