

BOBP-IGO: A decade of success

2013 marks the 10th anniversary of the establishment of BOBP as an inter-governmental organisation. In the last ten years, BOBP-IGO has not only turned out to be a showcase of regional cooperation, but also a 'success story' created by its member-countries and partners. We salute their commitment to the growth and development of this Organisation.

Looking forward, we see challenges of course, but also opportunities to improve BOBP-IGO's ability to learn from its experiences, and to meet the aspirations of its member-countries and development partners. This calendar not only marks the beginning of our anniversary celebrations, but also provides glimpses into the activities conducted in the last one decade.



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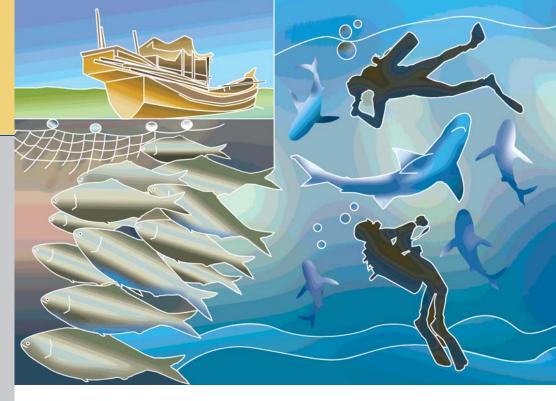
Bay of Bengal Programme Inter-Governmental Organisation (BOBP-IGO), successor to the BOBP, was set up in April 2003. It assists the governments of Bangladesh, India, Maldives and Sri Lanka and also other countries in the region in improving the conditions of small-scale fisherfolk communities. Sample activities: Workshops, studies, training or technical assistance relating to safety at sea, MCS (monitoring, control and surveillance), management plans on common resources (hilsa, shark), promotion of the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries, climate change and its impact on fisheries, cleaner fishing harbours and 'safe fish', networking, information support through publications, posters and video films (http://www.bobpigo.org).

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$\begin{array}{c} 2013 \\ \text{January} \end{array}$

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Managing fisheries: Hilsa (Tenualosa ilisha) and sharks are both iconic and keystone species in the Bay of Bengal region. Community-supported management plans are needed to ensure their sustainable exploitation.



2013 February

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Conserving biodiversity: The Bay of Bengal is a hotspot of biodiversity. Mangroves, coral reefs and sea grass beds abound and are source of the many goods and services provided by the Bay. Community-driven management and conservation of biodiversity is essential.



2013 March

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Building communities: For fisheries management to be successful, skills and capacity development of fishers, fisheries managers and other stakeholders is of fundamental importance. Strong and knowledge-empowered communities are key to effective co-management of the fisheries resources.



2013 April

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Developing ecosystem approach to fisheries management: The ecosystem-based approach to fisheries management takes a holistic view and includes the actions of humans and their social and economic systems in ecological considerations. This approach needs promotion at all levels.



2013 May

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Gender mainstreaming: Women constitute a sizeable workforce in fisheries and carry out a range of activities from fishing to marketing. They need more attention and support to become equal partners in fisheries development.



2013 June

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Adapting to climate change: Coastal fishing communities are in the frontline facing the consequences of changing climate. The community needs exposure to sound adaptive strategies to meet the challenges and sustain their livelihoods.



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Improving safety at sea: Fishing has been identified as one of the world's most dangerous occupations. Governments, fishers and other stakeholders need to work together to reduce the risks and enhance fishers' safety at sea.



2013 August

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Reducing post-harvest losses: Post-harvest losses in fisheries are sizeable. Reducing such losses will mean more fish to eat, less wastage of the natural resources and better economic returns to the fishers.



2013 September

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Strengthening MCS: Managing fisheries is more about managing people and businesses. A sound monitoring, control and surveillance regime is essential for both sustainable use of the resources and for controlling illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing.



2013 October

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Reducing risks: Millions directly depend on fishing activities for their livelihoods. They need to be insulated from environmental hazards, both natural and man-made. Awareness on disaster management can empower communities to face the risks.



November

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Enhancing livelihoods: Investments are needed for effective resources management, good governance and sound ecosystem health for supporting and improving livelihoods of small-scale fisher households. This will help in enhancing their livelihood opportunities and building capital.



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Disseminating information: Fisheries is an important sector in the struggle against poverty and promotion of economic growth. Development strategies will also require raising the standard of knowledge and capacity of the workforce engaged in the sector.



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