



## 11 June 2022 1000 – 1400

The meetings will be held in Hybrid mode (Online+offline).



# Quadrimester Dialogue Series on Science for Policy (S4P): A Track 1.5 Platform for Evidence-based Fisheries Policy

Fisheries Technocrats Forum (FTF) is a body of eminent researchers, accomplished officials and independent enthusiasts with vast experience in fisheries governance, research, and development planning. The membership includes both serving and retired scientists and officials from different parts of the country. Bay of Bengal Programme Inter-Governmental Organisation (BOBP-IGO) is a knowledge incubator / think tank to develop practical and innovative solutions for policy harmonization, fisheries resilience and sectoral growth.

The Quadrimester Dialogue Series is a Joint Initiative between FTF and BOBP, which intends to serve as a Track 1.5 Dialogue Platform (where government officials could discuss all contemporary issues in their personal capacity, beyond official talking points and explore new ideas).

- The Platform will identify pressing sub-national, national and international issues concerning the fisheries sector, demanding a potential interface for science - policy interaction to develop effective solutions.
- Specific themes for the particular session of the Dialogue series will be co-developed by the President, FTF and Director, BOBP. On the identified topic for the session, a brief opening presentation will be made by a resource person, following which the members would discuss and share their perspectives.
- Subsequently, topic-specific Working Group(s) comprising the members of FTF on voluntary basis will be constituted, who would develop a *'living working document'* during the intervening period, which will be discussed during the ensuing FTF monthly meetings among the members. The final working document with recommendations on the topic will be presented in the subsequent Quadrimester Meeting(s).
  BOBP will extend all logistic support, including technical and secretarial assistance. One of the willing Working Group members would serve as the Convener for the particular theme.
- After completion of the deliberations, the Policy Brief(s) or Working Paper(s) will be published jointly by the FTF and the BOBP for wider circulation among all stakeholders.

#### **Participation:**

Limited to FTF members and Special Invitees. All members interested to participate in person are requested to confirm their participation in advance at least two days prior to the day of meeting.

Please email to info@bobpigo.org

#### Structure of the Quadrimester Meetings @ BOBP

1000 - 1230 Quadrimester Dialogue Series: Thematic Discussions1230 - 1315 Routine Forum Activities Review1315 - 1400 Working Lunch

### First Session of the Quadrimester Dialogue Series on Science 4 Policy

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Venue: Conference Hall, BOBP-IGO, Chennai

**Special Invitees:** 

#### **Mr. Antony Xavier** *Director, Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA), Chennai*

**Mr. Santhana Krishnan** *Founder President, Society of Aquaculture Professionals (SAP)* 

10.00 am – 10.30 am Inauguration & Formalization of Dialogue Series

#### 10.30 am – 11.45 am

Theme 1 Responsible Coastal Aquaculture: Searching the Middle Point for Coastal Aquaculture Development and Environment Conservation

#### The Case

The advocates for coastal aquaculture and environmental conservation in government and industry have been arguing their cases in silos. Can we look for a meeting point?

#### **Discussion Points**

Causes, Consequences, Missed Actions, Required Actions for Future; Some Plain talks on relevant legal positions and strategies.

11.45 am – 12.30 pm Theme 2 Voice for Hilsa in Tamil Nadu

#### The Case

Hilsa, a thriving fishery in Tamil Nadu has now become insignificant.

#### Discussion

Causes, Missed Actions, Lessors from Past and Required Actions for Future.

Zoom Link: Join Zoom Meeting

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