3. THE FISHING GEARS

3.1 The fishing gears of north Orissa

3.1 .1 Medium-to-large-mesh surface driftnets

3.1.1.1 Phasi Jab

Netting material PE multifilament (white)

Length 500 meshes

Depth 100 meshes (150 meshes)

Mesh size 110mm (100 mm) stretched

Twine size (PER 152 tex) (210d6)

Float line PP 8 mm dia
Sinker line PP 8 mm dia

Floats PE hollow spherical, 115 mm dia/tied to float line, 10 a

piece, one every 2.30 m.

Sinkers Cement, 100 x 60 mm, fastened with short pendant lines

7 in a piece.

Hanging ratio 0.42, webbing fastened to framing line every 1.85 m

(40 meshes).

Number of nets 30 in fleet, carried in a Donga or Patia or Chhoat, nets

joined by float line and sinker line and loose lacing of

adjoining nets.

Mode of operation Surface driftnet operated from one boat.

Fishing time Net set in the evening till next morning, occasional day

fishing when shoals are available.

Fishing area Off Balasore coast up to 20 km from shore in good

weather.

Fishing season July to March, peak period October to February.

Main species caught Shad, also white pomfret, black pomfret, croaker, seer-

fish, horse-mackerel, silver bar fish and catfish.

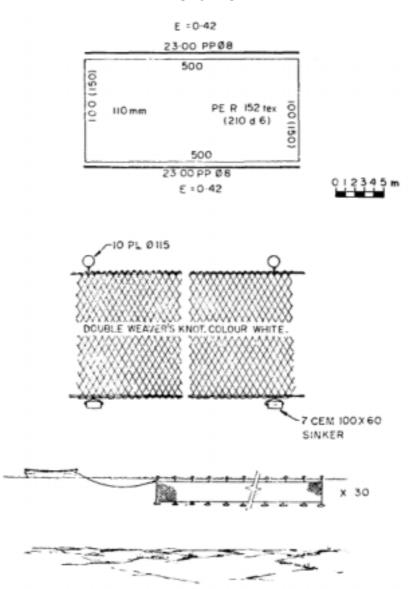
Average catch 20 kg/day for the fleet of nets, valued at Rs. 50.

Estimated cost Rs. 300
Annual maintenance Rs. 100

Life of gear 2to 3 years

Crew Four

PHASI JALO



3.1.1.2 Ilishi Jab

Netting material PA multifilament (PE also used) (white).

Length 970 meshes. This is a variation of Phasi Jab but longer

with less depth.

Depth 70 meshes

Mesh size 85 to 110 mm stretched.

Twine size PA-PE R 152 tex (210 d6)

Float line PP8mmdia.
Sinker line PP6mmdia.

Floats PE hollow spherical 100 mm dia tied to fboatline one every

7.62 m

Sinkers Clay (circular 100 mm dia) 750 g, fastened with small

pendent lines or clay, circular 150 mm dia, one kg, one

every 8 m.

Hanging ratio 0.41

Number of nets 18 to 21 in fleet, carried in a dinghy or salti, nets joined by

fboatlines and ground-lines or loosely lacing adjoining

nets.

Mode of operation Surface driftnet operated from one boat.

Fishing time Net set in the evening till next morning, occasional day

fishing when shoals are present.

Fishing area Off Balasore coast up to 20 km from shore.

Fishing season July to March, peak period October to February.

Main species caught Shad, also white and black pomfret, croakers, seer fish,

silver bar fish, catfish, threadfin, horse-mackerel and ox

eye herring.

Average catch 30 kg/day valued at Rs. 75 for the fleet of nets.

Estimated cost As. 450

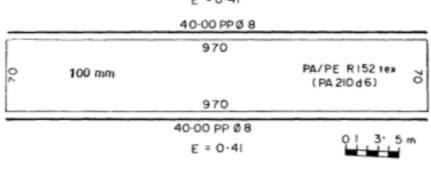
Annual maintenance cost Rs.150

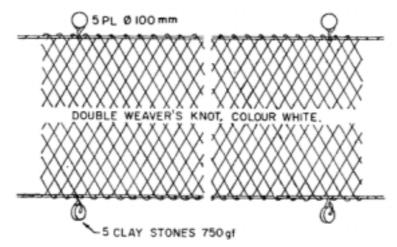
Life of gear 3 years

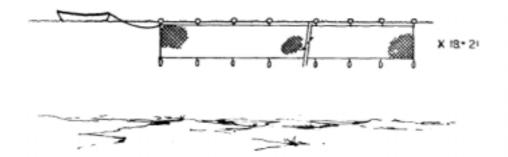
Crew Three or four

ILISHI JALO

E = 0.41







3.1.1.3 Nakuda Jab

Netting materials PA mubtifilament

Length 80 meshes (730 in single unit)

Depth 40 meshes (61 meshes)

Mesh size 200 mm stretched (210 mm stretched)

Twine size PA 210 d 60 (PA R 1520 tex)

PA210d72 (PA R 1822 tex)

Float line PE 8 mm dia (PE 10 mm dia)
Sinker line PE 4 mm dia (PE 6 mm dia)

Floats PE 200 mm dia (PE 300 mm dia) every 2 nets and one

empty 5 litre oil can every 10 nets.

Sinkers Cem 175 mm dia x 37—40 mm (Cern 250 mm dia x 50 mm)

every 2 nets.

Hanging ratio 0.44

Number of nets 100 nets in a set (one unit of 10 nets contributed equally

by 10 fishermen).

Mode of operation Shallow water drift net, one end attached to a Danga, the

webbing covers entire depth, the sinker line grazing the

bottom.

Fishing time During spring and early summer, small mangrove shrubs

bordering the coastline are in bloom, and these are locally believed to attract large threadfins and such other fish

towards the coast.

Fishing area Off central Balasore district in shallow waters between

5 m and 10 m depth.

Fishing season February to April

Main species caught Threadfin, also large croakers and saw fish

Average annual catch 50 kg per day in a set valued at Rs. 150

Estimated cost Rs. 300 for each net

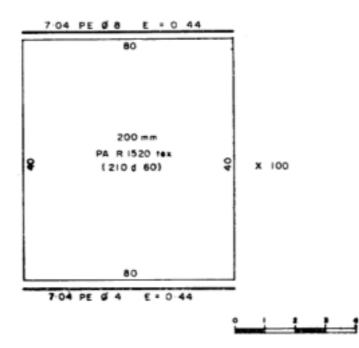
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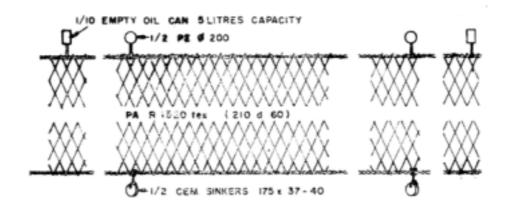
Life of gear 3 to 4 years

Crew 10

Ownership and financing Individual ownership and self financing

NAKUDA JALO







3.1.2 Small-to-medium-mesh surface driftnets

3.1.2.1 Behendi Jab

Netting material PE (white)
Length 400 meshes

Depth 150 meshes (140 meshes for 70 mm mesh stretched nets)

Mesh size 53 to 70 mm stretched, single knot

Twine size PE 210 d3 (PE R 75 tex).

Float line PE 6 mm dia.
Sinker line PE 5 mm dia.

Floats PE spherical, 80 mm dia.

Sinkers Cement 200 g

Hanging ratio 0.50

Number of nets 40 to 45 in a unit.

Mode of operation Surface driftnet, operated from one boat.

Fishing time Early morning till noon.

Fishing area Off south Balasore coast within 5 km from shore.

Fishing season September to February

Main species caught Small clupeids, jew fish and prawns.

Average catch 10kg a day valued at Rs. 25.

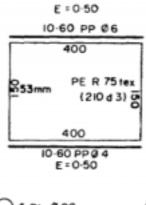
Estimated cost Rs. 200

Annual maintenance cost Rs.60

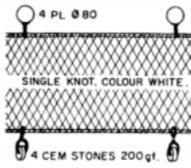
Life of gear 3 years

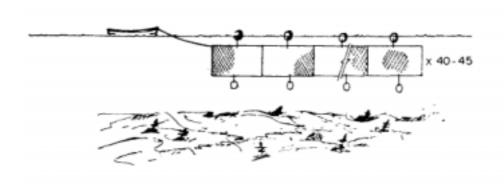
Crew Four

(BEHENDI JALO)









3.1.2.2 Bhasani Jab

Netting material PA (multifilament) (white)

Length 2060 meshes

Depth 100 meshes

Mesh size 33 mm stretched

Twine size (PAR5Otex) (210d2).

Float line PE3mmdia
Sinker line PE3mmdia.

Floats Cylindrical wooden, 60 mm x 15 mm dia, species is

(Calotropis procera), with central hole, one float every

200 mm.

Sinkers Clay 100 g, one every 7.85 m

Hanging ratio 0.80

Number of nets 6 to 8 nets in a fleet in a Patia.

Mode of operation Surface driftnet operated from one boat.

Fishing time Early morning to noon.

Fishing area Off north Balasore coast up to 10 km from the shore.

Fishing season January to June, also at other times during favourable

conditions.

Main species caught Small clupeids, catfish, ribbon fish,

small perches and jewfish.

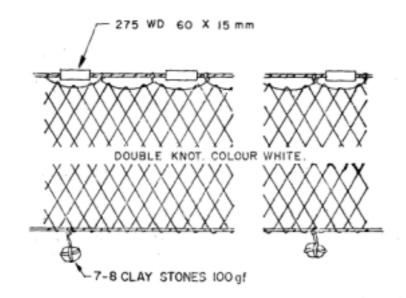
Estimated cost Rs. 400
Annual maintenance Rs. 150
Life of gear 3 years

Crew Three orfour

BHASANI JALO

E = 0.80 55.00 PE Ø 3 2060 PAR 50 tex 8 2060 (210 d 2)







3.1.3 Encircling nets, inshore seines

3.1.3.1 Sarini Jab

Netting material Cotton (4 meshes selvedges PA)

Length 760 meshes
Depth 460 meshes

Mesh size 25 mm stretched

Twine size Cot 20/12 (PA 2TOd 9, for selvedges).

Float line Hemp 8 mm dia.

Ground line Hemp, one 9 mm dia, along with a second 6 mm dia.

Floats Cylindrical wooden 40 mm x 30 mm (alt 50 mm x 50 mm).

Sinkers No sinkers

Hanging ratio 0.49

Number of nets 120 in an unit, total length being 600 fathoms

Mode of operation Shallow beach shore seine used from 2 saltis, or some-

times used for inshore seining with 3 sabtis further off the beach. 3 nets are contributed each by 30 participating

fishermen.

Fishing time Early morning till afternoon

Fishing area Off north Balasore coast within 2 to 3 km from the shore

line.

Fishing season July to April.

Clupeids, jew fish, perch, cock-up, threadfin, ray, also grey

Main species caught

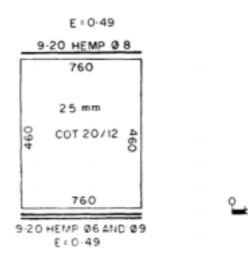
mullet (when fishing close to river mouths).

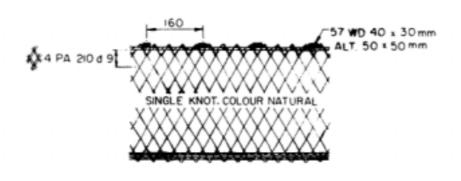
Estimated cost Rs. 450
Annual maintenance cost Rs.50

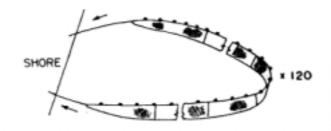
Life of gear 3 years

Crew 30

SARINI JALO







3.1.3.2 Jangal Jab

Netting material PE multifilament

Length 360 meshes

Depth 330 meshes

Mesh size 62 mm stretched (single knot).

Twine size (PER 152 tex) (210d 6)

Float line PE8mmdia.

Sinker line PE 5 mm dia, additional line with ground rope for sinkers.

Sinker line joined at intervals to the main net forming

pouches.

Floats Cylindrical, wooden, 60 mm dia x 35 mm,

alt 80 mm dia x 50 mm.

Sinkers Clay 50 mm dia.

Hanging ratio 0.48

Number of nets 175 nets in a unit.

Mode of operation 35 persons each contributes 5 nets to the Jangal net unit,

5 boats (all chhoats or 3 chhoats and 2 patias) participate in the fishing operation, the two biggest carrying the gear to the fishing areas. The net is deployed in a circle by two big boats around a certain area (usually after locating shoals). The three smaller boats remain within the encircled area to beat the water with empty tins and oars to scare the fish; small ones are gilled, the larger ones trapped in the pouches above the sinker line, which

touches the sea floor.

Fishing time Usually mornings

Fishing area Off north Balasore coast normally within 10-15 m depth.

Fishing season August to February.

Main species caught Shad, croaker, threadfin, catfish and perch.

Estimated cost Rs. 250

Annual maintenance cost Rs.80

Life of gear 5 years

Crew 35

JANGAL JALO E = 0-48 10-75 PE Ø 8 360 62 mm PERISZIEN S (210d6) 360 120 WD 60 x 35 mm -IO-75 PE Ø 5 E = 0-48 110 CLAY STONES 50 X 50 mm X 21 - 22 SIDE -VIEW X 175

3.1.3.3 Sabado Jab

Netting material Cotton

Length 410 meshes

Depth 975 meshes

Mesh size 50 mm stretched excepting middle net (40 mm stretched).

Twine size Cot 20/9, excepting middle net (serving as bunt, cot

20/27).

Float line PE 5 mm dia, another PE 3 mm dia. rope below, to which

webbing are hung.

Sinker fine Jute 25 mm dia.

Floats Cylindrical, wooden 200/300 x 50 dia threaded on to line

with 25 mm gaps in between for tying to 5 mm rope.

Sinkers Stone 2—2.5 kg, 10 in number for whole unit consisting

of 27 nets.

Hanging ratio 0.66

Number of nets 27 nets in one unit, one middle piece and 13 pieces on

either side.

24 m depth. Seven Sabado fishing boats operate jointly in inshore areas: the larger two carry the net, and on locating a shad, shoal, share the net between themselves and encircle an area, releasing the net as they go; the five other sabado boats scare and drive the fish into the area from a distance by beating empty tins. The sinker-'ine which touches the bottom is pulled and forms something like a purse where the shad and other fish are trapped. The float line remains in its original encircled position, and fishes are kept alive in the net and harvested gradually

over three or four days to avoid bulk landings.

Fishing time As and when opportunities occur during the shad season.

Fishing area Off Balasore and north Cuttack districts.

Fishing season Four months approximately, October/November to

January/February.

Main species caught Shad

Estimated cost Rs. 600 (Rs. 1,200 middle piece). Total unit costs,

Rs. 15,000.

Annual maintenance cost Rs. 2,000 Life of gear Two years

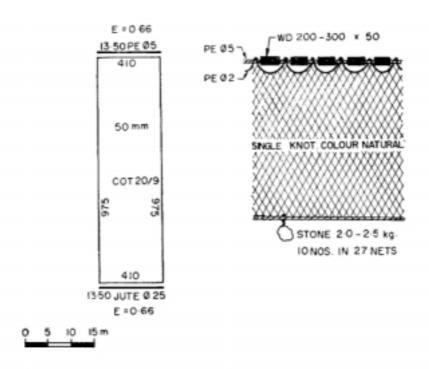
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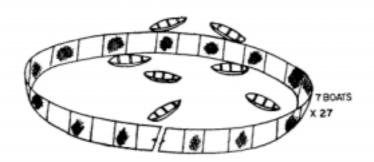
Remarks Though operated on a limited scale by a few people, the

method is paying. Switching from cotton to polyethylene would enable quicker handling due to less weight of material. Perhaps better catches might be taken by having additional sinker line, with rings to work like a purse seine,

in waters deeper than 24 m.

SABADO JALO





3.1.3.4 Khia-Badia Jab

Netting material PA multifilament (white)

Length 200 meshes

Depth 60 meshes

Mesh size 122 mm stretched

Twine size (PAR1O2tex) (210d4)

Float line PE5mmdia
Sinker line PE5mmdia

Floats PE 100 mm dia spherical.

Sinkers Stone 500 g (2 in a net, one sinker for three floats).

Hanging ratio 0.37

Number of nets 90 in a fleet (180 when two boats work together).

Mode of operation Inshore seine-cum-gillnet, operated from a Danga (flat

bottom). The headropes remain at the surface, but as the net is mainly operated in shallow depths less than the depth of the net, the sinker line touches the bottom. The net is laid in a circle. During hauling the fish are scared into the enclosure by beating the water with oars and empty tins, the two ends are drawn together enveloping

the larger fish that are not gilled.

Fishing times Early morning till noon.

Fishing area Northern Cuttack district in inshore waters, off Hukitola

bay and Hansua river.

Fishing season November to March

Main species caught Shad, other clupeids, threadfins and croakers.

Estimated cost Rs. 200 per net.

Annual maintenance cost Rs.30
Life of gear Four years

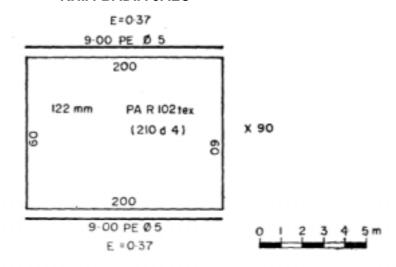
Crew : 14 (for two boats when 180 pieces are operated together).

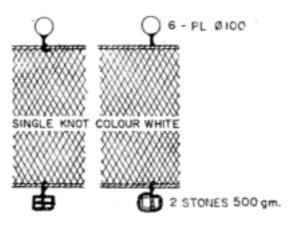
Remarks The 500 g stone sinkers may perhaps be replaced by

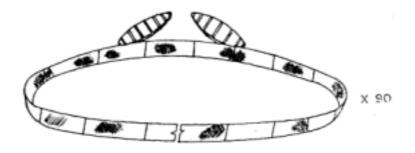
smaller cement or clay sinkers with less weight evenly distributed in the sinker line, so as to make the net operation more even. Blue and other coloured PA twine might

be tried.

KHIA BADIA JALO







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3.1.3.5 Gheri Jab

Netting material PA multifilament (white)

Length 1000 meshes

Depth 35 meshes

Mesh size 200 mm stretched

Twine size (PA R 1820 tex) (210 d 72)

Float line PE7mmdia.
Sinker line Sis 10mm dia

Floats PE 152 mm dia spherical

Sinkers Stone, 3 kg (app.).

Hanging ratio 0.50.

Number of nets Seven nets in a fleet, sometimes eight.

two flat bottomed Dangas at both ends or alternatively one end in boat, the other near the shore. In the latter case, the shore-side rope is usually 600 m, and the boat side 100—200 m, the rope touches the bottom and the larger fish not gilled are enveloped in the enclosure during

hauling.

Fishing time Operated from early hours till afternoon, but fishing nor-

mally continues at a stretch for seven to eight days, usually three days before full moon or new moon to three days after. During this period the catches are sent to

market in separate boats.

Fishing area North Cuttack district, in inshore waters

off Hansua river mouth.

Fishing season October to March

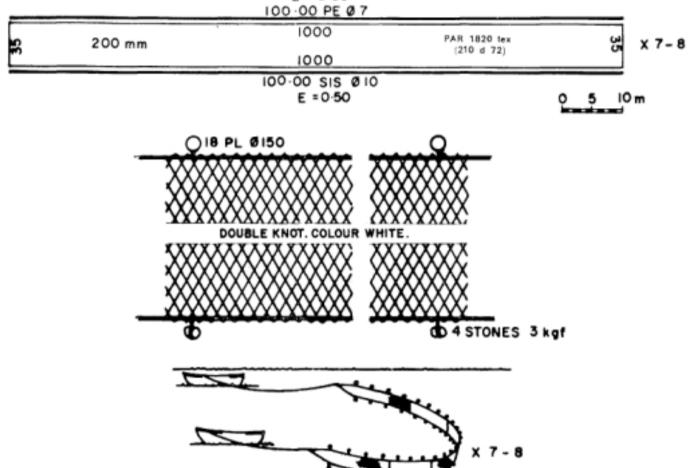
Main species caught Cock-up, croakers and threadfins.

Estimated cost Rs. 900
Annual maintenance cost Rs.90
Life of gear 4 years

Crew Seven or eight.

GHERI JALO

E = U-5U



3.1.4 Wall Nets

3.1.4.1 Mabo Jalo*

Netting material PE (light blue and white)

Length Length of net pieces not constant, webbings normally

extended when area encircled is large.

Depth 67 meshes (140 meshes at middle portion where fishes

are collected).

Mesh size 45 mm (40—50 mm) stretched.

Twine size (PE R 228 tex) (210 d 9).

Head line PE6mmdia.
Ground line PE6mmdia.
Floats Not used
Sinkers Not used
Hanging ratio 0.75

Mode of operation, fishing

area and time

Tidal wall net tied with bamboo stakes at intervals from **2.8 m to** 4.4 m, length of the bamboos being about 50 per cent more than the depth of webbings. Net fixed during bow tide on the flat gradual beaches of Central Balasore district, where the distance between high tide line arid low water line is from 2 to 4km. The gear is set continually for 7 to 8 days at a stretch, i.e., 3 or 4 days before or after new moon and full moon.

The area is leased to a group of about 10 fishermen for As. 8,000. Scoop nets of 8.80 to 10 m dia, iron hoops with small mesh netting are used to collect the fish at low tide from the central portion where the mesh size is slightly smaller and the depth greater than elsewhere. Fish passing over at high tide are trapped in the enclosure and harvested at low tide.

Fishing season All the year round

Main species caught Clupeid, jew fish and miscellaneous fish.

Estimated cost Rs. 5,000 (Cost of net webbings and bamboos for a set).

Annual maintenance cost Rs. 500

Life of gear 2 years

Operators 10 fishermen

Remarks Fish passing over the fixed tidal wall net get into the

enclosed area, while those running into the net from the

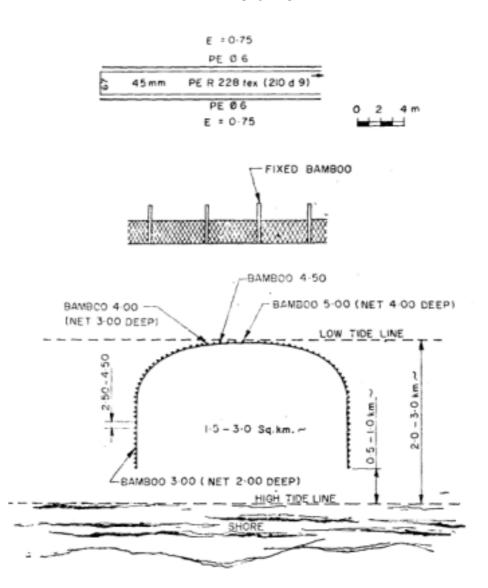
sea side may turn back.

Modification of the gear is therefore desirable to let the fish pass by automatic lifting of the ground line and lowering of the net while the tide is gathering with the net operating as at present during ebb tide. The modifications may cost an additional 10 to 20 per cent in first cost, but the return is expected to increase more than proportionately.

tionately.

^{*} In other areas this net is known as 'Bedha' net.

MALO JALO



3.2 Fishing Gears of south Orissa

3.2.1 Boat seines

3.2.1.1 Irragali

Netting material Cotton

Mesh size Ranging from 20 mm stretched in cod end to 120 mm

stretched in wings.

Twine size Ranging from Cot 20/4 to Cot 20/20.

Float line Cotton 8 mm dia.
Sinker line Cotton 8 mm dia.

Floats Wooden, approximate 400x150 mm, middle 600 mmx

200 mm.

Sinkers 5 stone.

Mode of operation Boat seine, mouth kept stretched by two kattumarams

sailing/rowing on a parallel course, each with two men. One of the kattumarams carries the net. On reaching the ground, both come together, the net is stretched, the boats move almost directly away from each other, laying out the net and 60 m coir ropes (25 mm) on each side; when fully released the craft turn at right angles and move on parallel courses. Usually dragged with the current.

Fishing time Early morning till noon.

Fishing area Southern coast within 5 km from shore.

Fishing season February to August

Main species Jew fish, ribbon fish, clupeids, small threadfins, silver

bellies and shrimp.

Estimated cost Rs. 1,000
Annual maintenance cost Rs. 200
Life of gear 3 years

Preservation Nets darned; bark from plant Acacia fishtu/a mostly used

for catch, usually 2 kg bark, pounded into bits, placed in 9 litres water, extraction done overnight at ordinary or boiling temperature. Two immersions done. Nets treated

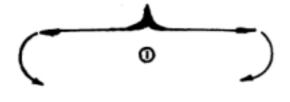
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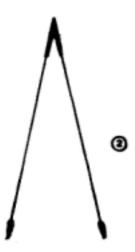
Crew Four

Remarks Changing the net material from cotton to PA, wooden

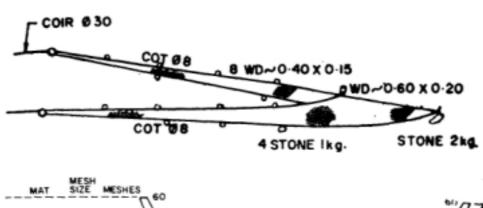
floats to PE/PVC, and larger stone sinkers to cement! clay of smaller sizes are ways in which this important gear

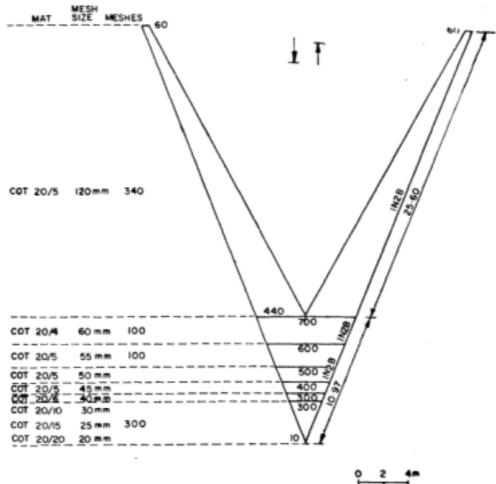
might be improved.





IRRAGALI





3.2.2 Bottom driftnets

3.2.2.1 Jagawala

Netting material PA multifilament (white)

 Length
 1500—2160 meshes

 Depth
 120—130 meshes

Mesh size 60—70 mm stretched

Twine size PA 3—4 mm dia.
Sinker line PP 4—5 mm dia.

Floats PVC cylindrical 70 x 35 mm

Sinkers Cern 300 g

Hanging ratio 0.42

Number of nets 10 to 12 nets in a unit.

Mode of operation Bottom driftnetting, operated from one boat.

Fishing time Early morning till afternoon.

Fishing area Up to 10km from the shore in the southern coastline.

Fishing season March/April to July/August.

Main species caught Prawns, also croakers, pomfret and ribbon fish.

Estimated cost Rs. 800 per net
Annual maintenanpe Rs. 200 per net

Life of gear 3 years

Crew Five or six

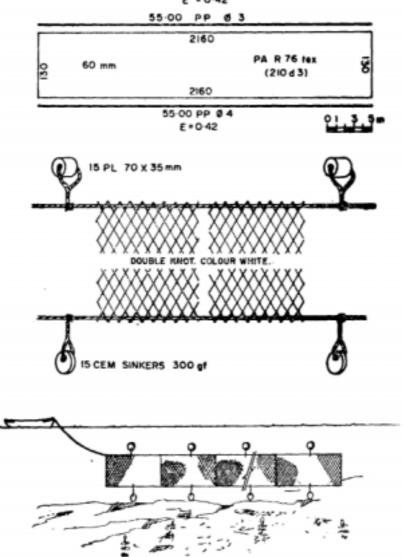
Remarks These gillnets for prawns are made of white PA multifila-

ment twine. Blue and other coloured twine might also

be tried.

JAGAWALA

E = 0-42



3.2.2.2. Kibumala (also called Silkiwala)

Netting material PA multifilament (white)

Length 2400 meshes

Depth 55 meshes

Mesh size 40 mm to 60 mm stretched

Twine size PAR 50tex (210 d2)

Float line PP4mmdia.
Sinker line PP4mmdia.

Floats PVC 57 x 26 mm cylindrical.

Sinkers Cern 300 g

Hanging ratio 0.41

Number of nets 4 nets in a small kattumararn (up to 12 nets in a large

kattumaram)

Mode of operation Bottom driftnet

Fishing time Early morning till afternoon up to 6 km from the shore in

the southern coastline.

Fishing season All year round

Main species caught Prawn, also ribbon fish, croaker, jew fish, pomfret.

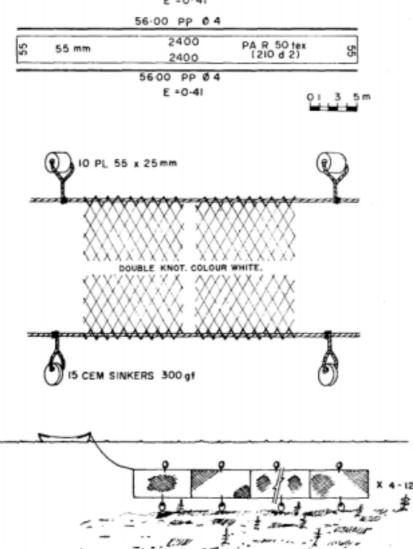
Average catch 10 kg to 25 kg in an unit.

Estimated cost Rs. 300 per net

Annual maintenance cost As. 100
Life of gear 3 years
Crew Two

KILUMALA

E =0-41



3.2.3 Surface driftnets

3.2.3.1 Katlala (Sardines)

Netting material Cotton

Length 4180 meshes

Depth 600 meshes (700 meshes)

Mesh size (25 mm to 40 mm stretched).

Twine size (Cot 40/3 to 40/5) or equivalent.

Float line Cotton 4 mm dia
Sinker line Cotton 4 mm dia

Floats Cylindrical, wooden, 100 mmx50 mm (alt cork or PE

90-100 dia).

Sinkers Lead 20 g.

Hanging ratio 0.75

Number of nets 1

Mode of operation Surface driftnet

Fishing time Early morning till noon.

Fishing area Within 5 km from the shore in the southern coastline.

Fishing season November to April

Main species caught Sardines
Estimated cost Rs. 2,500
Annual maintenance cost Rs. 200

Preservation Treated with fermented gruel (rice water).

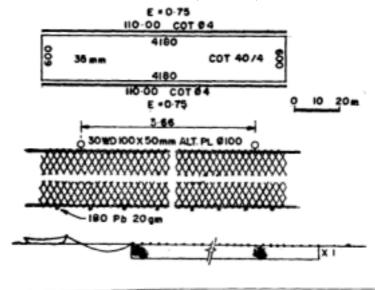
Life of gear 2 years
Crew Two

Remarks Nets made of PA could replace the cotton nets, but the

fishermen have not adopted nylon, though they have adopted it for the Kilumala which was previously made of cotton. Some fishermen feel nylon nets will spoil most of the sardines and earnings will, therefore, be less. However, the gear would have a longer life and the gilling efficiency would be greater. Careful handling of the catch when taking sardines out of the net might not result in as much spoilage as feared. PE/PVC floats could replace

wooden floats.

SARDINE GILLNET (KATLALA)



3.2.3.2 Katlala (Anchovies)

Netting material Cotton

Length 6845 meshes

Depth 700 meshes

Mesh size From 12 mm to 25 mm stretched.

Twine size Cot 40/3 (sometimes 40/4).

Float line Cotton 4 mm dia.

Sinker line Cotton 3 mm dia.

Floats PE dia 90-1 00 mm (alt cork)

Sinkers Lead 20 g

Hanging ratio 0.85

Number of nets One

Mode of operation Surface driftnet for anchovies, small sardines and white

bait.

Fishing times Early morning till noon.

Fishing area Within 3 km from the shore in the southern coastline.

Fishing season November to March

Main species caught Anchovies and white bait.

Average catch 10/20 kg valued at Rs. 10 to 20.

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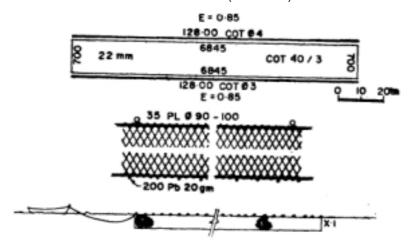
Estimated cost Rs. 2,500
Annual maintenance cost Rs. 200

Preservation Treated with fermented gruel (rice water).

Life of gear 2 years
Crew Two

Remarks Same as previous sub-chapter.

ANCHOVY GILLNET (KATLALA)



3.2.4 Hook and line/longline

3.2.4.1 Burdu

Line material PA mono

Line size 2 mm dia alt 1 mm dia x 2

Line length 180 m—200 m.

No. of hooks 2 to 4

Weight used 100 mm to 140 mm long flat lead pieces followed by a

small stone below.

Distance between weight

and lowest hook 200mm

Hook size 40mm stemxl6 mm bend x16 mm end with barb.

Snood length 40mm

Snood size P11 mm x

Distance between each hook 175mm

Mode of operation Hooks baited with small fish and shrimps and lowered

into the water close to the bottom and jerked at intervals.

Fishing time Usually early morning

Within 3 km from shore only in the southern coastline Fishing area

during the operation of other gears from kattumarams

(only an occasional gear).

Fishing season Not specific

Main species caught Dogfish, catfish and peith

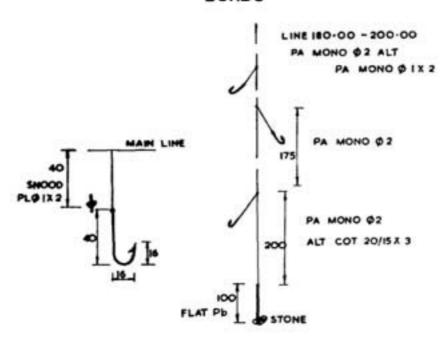
Estimated cost Rs. 20 Annual maintenance cost Rs. 5 2 years Life of gear Operator One

Remarks

Hand reel for line operation may be possible but only from a suitable craft. Jiggers and artificial baits should be tried. Fishermen have adopted stronger PA monofilament which has replaced the 3 mm to 4 mm dia cotton twine

(20s/14) used a decade ago.

BURDU



3.2.4.2 Kata

Line material : PA mono

Line size : 1 mm dia. x 2

Line length : 50.0 m to 60.0 m.

No. of hooks : Two

Design : 150 mm wood to which is attached a 30 g lead piece,

wrapped in a white cloth to look like a fish. At the time of operation the lead side remains below the wood, facing downwards, the wood floating on the surface. The hooks are wrapped along with the lead, both point downwards. The wood is normally grooved to fit the stems of the

attached hooks.

Hook size : Larger hook 80 mm stem x 35 mm bend x 34 mm end

with 20 mm barb, and the smaller hook, 50 mm stem x 20mm bend x 16 mm end with barb. (Larger hooks up to

320 mm stem are also used.)

Mode of operation Surface handline or 'spinning' line thrown beyond the

breakers or waves by the operator.

Fishing time Usually early morning or evening, only close to the shore.

Fishing area The operators stand on the shore near the surf line or

mouth of the estuary.

Fishing season Not specific

Main species caught Threadfin, perch and cock-up.

Estimated cost Rs.20

Annual maintenance cost Rs.5

Life of gear 2 years

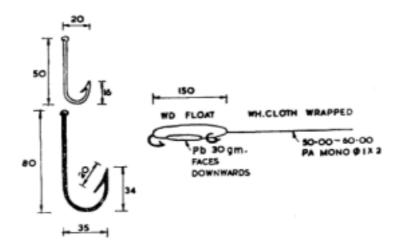
Operator One

Remarks Artificial baits like rubber worm baits and shiny metallic

jiggers could be tried along with hand reel where

practicable.

KATA



3.2.5 Beach seines

3.2.5.1 Bada Jab

Netting material

Cotton

Length

: Each wing 224 m and bag 26 m.

Depth

: 9 m at mouth.

Mesh size

'10 mm stretched at cod end extreme, increasing to 15 mm stretched and 17 mm stretched where the cod end is laced to the belly part for opening and taking out the fish, the belly portion 20 mm stretched where it meets the cod end increasing to 62 mm stretched at the mouth where the wings are attached. The cotton portion of the wings 90 mm stretched, the coir wings (middle) 900 mm stretched and the SF alt hemp (outer) wings 900 mm stretched.

Twine size

Cot 10/7 at cod end extremity decreasing to Cot 10/5 where cod end is laced to belly, the belly Cot 10/4, throughout, the first part of wings also Cot 10/4, the coir rope portion of wings 3 mm dia and hemp or SF portion 3 mm dia.

Float line

: Coir 10 mm die from top of wing to 137.16 m, followed by

cotton 7 mm die where it joins belly.

Sinker line

Same as floatline.

Floats

Wood (Erythrina SP) 600—700 mm x 100—150 mm, 80 nos. (in some nets 3 floats together at the junction of belly to wings) besides floats of 75 mm x 75 mm at 0.40 to 0.50 m intervals on ropes.

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Sinkers

Stone 4 kg to 1 kg, 80 nos. opposite to each float.

Cod end of bag

Upper half and lower half made up by joining 8 square pieces across and 22 square pieces length-wise, each square being 50 meshes across x 110 meshes length-wise. (In some nets there are 400 square pieces 25 length-wise x 50 meshes across, first 23 longitudinal rows of cotton and the last two cod end tip rows made up of thick hemp instead of cotton with 8 mm mesh stretched).

Belly portion of bag

12.34 mm length, 500 meshes each half, the edge joining the cod end is much narrower, the mesh size being 20 mm stretched compared to the 62 mm stretched near the wing. (Belly portion of some nets made of 4 upper and 4 lower parts joined longitudinally). The two outer pieces of upper half and lower half similar, with same mesh (75 mm stretched at wing and 25 mm stretched at cod end). The two inner portions of lower half and upper half are also similar.

Wings

Each wing 3 pieces, the belly end made of cotton, the upper and lower halves of each wing being 220 meshes across, the middle portion made of coir, having 41 meshes in both upper and lower halves, and the rope end made up of hemp or SF also having 41 meshes and the length being 32 m, 54.86 m and 137.16 m respectively. (In some nets, the outer coir portions extend from top of wings to belly, to which are attached the inner cotton portions, both of which converge to the belly where there are 3—5 mesh selvedges.)

Towing warps

A single rope is 22.50 m length x 37 mm dia. 2 hemp/SF ropes, and 1 coir rope are joined in series. This is repeated until there are 30 ropes connected to one end of net (the shore side) and 50 ropes connected to other end of net (the sea side). In some nets, a single hemp rope and a coir rope are attached alternately.

Mode of operation

Beach seine, loaded on a bar boat, leaving the extremity of the shore side warp on the beach. The ropes are laid out till one wing of the seine is reached; the net is then laid and after the cod end bag is released, the boat moves in a semi-circle to bring the end of the sea side ropes to the shore, after which the two warps are dragged by 10 or 12 men on each side, moving nearer to one another as the net comes closer, two or three more remaining in the water and guiding the seine to the shore.

Fishing time

Early morning till noon.

Fishing area

Within 2/3 km from the shore, in Pun and Ganjam districts.

Fishing season

October/November to March/April.

Main species caught

Anchovies, sardines and silver bellies.

Cost

Rs. 8,000—14,000

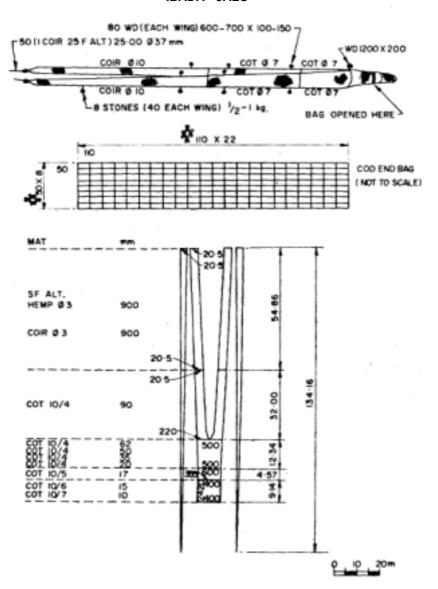
Life of gear

2 to 3 years

Crew

25 approximately.

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3.2.6 Lift net

3.2.6.1 Marala

Netting material Cotton

Dimensions Wing sides 25.60 m of four cornered net, fabricated by

side-wise joining of 2 boat seine nets.

Mesh size 20 mm stretched in middle of bunt to 60 mm stretched in

mouth of belly and 120 mm stretched at wings.

Twine size Cot 20/20 at bunt to Cot 20/4 at mouth of belly and wings

Cot 20/5.

Sinkers 1 kg stones used sometimes at the 4 interjunctions of the

wings.

Rope Cotton 8 mm dia. rope at the wing edges, to the corners of

which are attached 60 m x 25 mm dia. coir rope warps.

Mode of operation The net is worked by four kattumarams, which drop the

net to the sea bottom and lift it up after sometime, when

fish seem to be over it.

Fishing time Early hours till noon.

Fishing area Off Ganjam district.

Fishing season February to April, occasionally at other times.

Main species caught Anchovies, other clupeid, Jewfish, silver bellies and shrimp.

Estimated cost Rs. 2,000
Annual maintenance cost Rs. 400

Life of gear 3 years

Crew Eight

LIFT **NET** (MARALA)

