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On a Spinner dolphin, *Stenella longirostris* (Gray) washed ashore at Mandapam, Gulf of Mannar

A dead dolphin was washed ashore at C.M.F.R.I. jetty along Gulf of Mannar coast on 19-7-2004. From the external characters, mainly the number of teeth, it was identified as spinner dolphin, *Stenella longirostris*. The specimen was a female of 132 cm in total

length and 30 kg weight, having fresh external wounds in the flipper, dorsal side of body and caudal regions, which suggested the possibility of hitting against boats.

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