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Unusal landings of *Xanucus pyrum* in trawlers at Sakthikulangara, Kollam

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A unique catch of *Xanus pyrum* was observed on 13.06.2008 at Sakthikulangara during morning landings. The catch of *X. pyrum* was exceptionally high ranging from 15 to 150 kg per unit. The trawlers (multi-day) targeted for cephalopods had a surprise catch of *X. pyrum* at a depth range of 60-240 m.

The catch was auctioned and the lowest price obtained was Rs. 7,000/unit and the highest was Rs. 17,000/unit. The catch range of multi-day trawlers were 70-140 kg/unit and that of single day trawlers were 15-150 kg/unit.