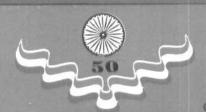


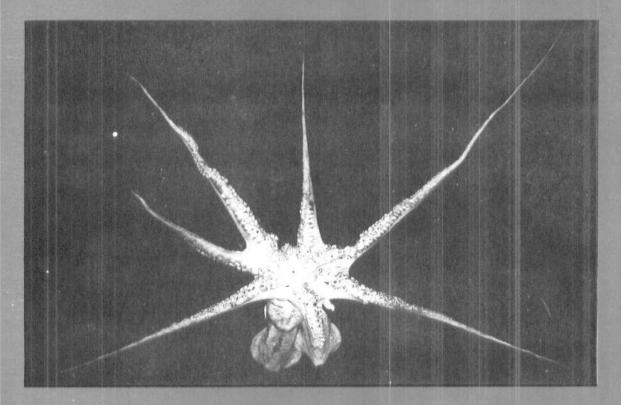
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879 On a whale shark at landed Pamban

A male whale shark Rhincodon typus Smith measuring a total length of 9.2 m was landed at Pamban on 17-4-'98 (Fig.1). The fish weighing approximately 1.5 t was caught by a bottom-set gill net unti locally called Paru valai operated off Pamban in the Gulf of Manmar at a depth of 30 m. The fish was buried after removing liver and fins as there was no demand for flesh.

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