

Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of Fisheries *Refugia* in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand

REPORT

TRAINING-WORKSHOP ON DIVING FOR COASTAL RESOURCES SURVEY

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REPORT OF THE TRAINING-WORKSHOP

Training-workshop on diving for coastal resources survey was financed by the Project entitled: Establishment and Operation of a Regional System of Fisheries Refugia in the South China Sea and Gulf of Thailand. It was organized by Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division of the Department of Fisheries on $21^{th}-25^{th}$ March 2022 at Rayong Marine Fisheries Research and Development Center, Rayong Province, Thailand. The training-workshop was instructed and trained by four diving professionals from Association of Thailand Underwater Sports. There were 15 participants from Department of fisheries and Department of Marine and Coastal Resources participated in the training-workshop. Agenda and a list of participants are shown in Annex 1 and Annex 2, respectively.

The training-workshop has the purpose to enhance the efficiency of scuba divers for accessing the information relating to the locations and status of coastal habitats and management areas in Thai Waters. The workshop objected to provide the fisheries technical officers and concerned personnel in Department of Fisheries and Department of Marine and Coastal Resources with a basic functional understanding of diving and how to dive properly with the aim of high safety surveying for on-site assessment of coastal and fisheries resources, particularly their behavior and abundances, in coastal habitats and fisheries refugia areas.

Training participants were initiated by one day of theoretical basis which included fundamental of diving, dive planning, sickness caused by diving and first aid for underwater victim. For fundamental diving, it contained the scientific basis for diving, i.e. law of physics related to diving, underwater visibility, underwater hearing, underwater balance, and underwater breathing (see Annex 3). Dive planning subject included the preparation of divers' health and their practices, as well as the significant information such as location, current, depth, objectives of diving, diving buddy, equipment, and hand signals (see Annex 4). Sickness caused by diving was also explained, the main of which were nitrogen narcosis, oxygen toxicity, decompression sickness, pulmonary barotrauma, and barotrauma (see Annex 5).

There followed two days of training on scuba diving in swimming pool started by introduction to diving equipment and their assembly and universal hand signals (see Annex 6). For the final two days of the course, participants were trained on scuba diving at sea, guided and controlled by all of four diving professionals. Monitoring and assessing coastal resources by scuba diving techniques were also guided at the last session. Finally, the tests were done on diving theory and practical scuba diving.

According to the evaluation and recommendation for training-workshop on diving for coastal resources survey, the post-test revealed that most of the participants got much more knowledge than before. Training participants were highly satisfied with the course and agreed that it was significantly beneficial for the personnel in charge of underwater survey as it provided the knowledge for diving techniques, risks and diseases caused by diving and how to protect and treat the symptoms. Participants also appreciated the practices for preparing and use of diving equipment properly with the highest safety. They were grateful to fisheries *refugia* project for the supports and appreciated efforts and concerns of all diving professional and organizing team. Diving certificates were handed out to all participants and the training-workshop was closed successfully.

ANNEX 1 AGENDA

Date	Time	Content
21 th Mar 2022	9:30 – 12:00 am	Introduction to fundamental of diving and dive planning
	12:00 – 13.30 am	Lunch break
	13:30 – 16:30 am	Sickness caused by diving and first aid for underwater victim
22 th Mar 2022	9:30 – 12:00 am	Introduction to diving equipment and their assemblyTraining for diving equipment assemblyPhysical performance testing
	12:00 – 13.30 am	Lunch break
	13:30 – 16:00 am	Training on scuba diving in swimming pool
23 th Mar 2022	9:30 – 12:00 am	Training on scuba diving in swimming pool
	12:00 – 13.30 am	Lunch break
	13:30 – 15:30 am	Training on scuba diving in swimming pool
	15:30 – 16:00 am	Scuba diving theory test
24 th Mar 2022	9:30 – 12:00 am	Training on scuba diving at sea
	12:00 – 13.30 am	Lunch break
	13:30 – 16:00 am	Training on scuba diving at sea
24 th Mar 2022	9:30 – 12:00 am	Training on scuba diving at seaPractical scuba diving test at sea
	12:00 – 13.30 am	Lunch break
	13:30 – 16:00 am	Training on monitoring and assessing coastal resources by scuba diving techniques
	16:00 – 16:30 am	Close

ANNEX 2 LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Diving Professionals

1.	Mr.Chananpat Surachaikul	CMAS Three Star Instructor, Association of Thailand Underwater Sports
2.	Mr.Suteerachai Somtha	CMAS one Star Instructor, Association of Thailand Underwater Sports
3.	Mr.Kissanu Chanchana	CMAS one Star Instructor, Association of Thailand Underwater Sports
4.	Mr.Paisan Bonsawat	CMAS one Star Instructor, Association of Thailand Underwater Sports
		Remark: CMAS stand for Confederation Mondialedes Activities Subaquatiques

Training Participants

1.	Ms. Wannalai Pooyam	Fisheries Technical Officer, Fishing Ground Development and Rehabilitation Group, Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division, Department of Fisheries
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3.	Mr. Anusorn Kobchainarong	Fisheries Technical Officer, Fishing Ground Development and Rehabilitation Group, Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division, Department of Fisheries
4.	Ms. Nattapat Mongsiri	Fisheries Officer, Fishing Ground Development and Rehabilitation Group , Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division, Department of Fisheries
5.	Mr. Kissada Burapajit	Fisheries Officer, Fishing Ground Development and Rehabilitation Group , Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division, Department of Fisheries
6.	Mr. Yuttawee Dunyarat	Fisheries Officer, Samut Prakan Marine Fisheries Research and Development Center, Department of Fisheries
7.	Mr. Kongkit Chuenbarn	Navigation Operation, Samut Prakan Marine Fisheries Research and Development Center, Department of Fisheries

8.	Ms. Manusanun Sornjunsri	Fisheries Technical Officer, Rayong Marine Fisheries Research and Development Center, Department of Fisheries
9.	Ms. Paungporn Prabset	Fisheries Technical Officer, Chumphon Marine Fisheries Research and Development Center, Department of Fisheries
10.	Mr. Supachai Pimnoi	Navigation Operation, Chumphon Marine Fisheries Research and Development Center, Department of Fisheries
11.	Mr. Prapat Kaewmane	Fisheries Technical Officer, Satun Marine Fisheries Research and Development Center, Department of Fisheries
12.	Mr. Incha Langji	Fisheries Officer, Satun Marine Fisheries Research and Development Center, Department of Fisheries
13.	Mr. Tanawat Chaitanee	Officer, Marine and Coastal Resources Research Center, the Eastern Gulf of Thailand, Department of Marine and Coastal Resources
14.	Mr.Sattawat prathumkarn	Officer, Marine and Coastal Resources Research Center, the Eastern Gulf of Thailand, Department of Marine and Coastal Resources
15.	Ms. Panita Choopan	Fisheries <i>Refugia</i> Project Technical Officer, Department of Fisheries

ANNEX 3 PRESENTATION OF SCIENTIFIC BASIS FOR DIVING























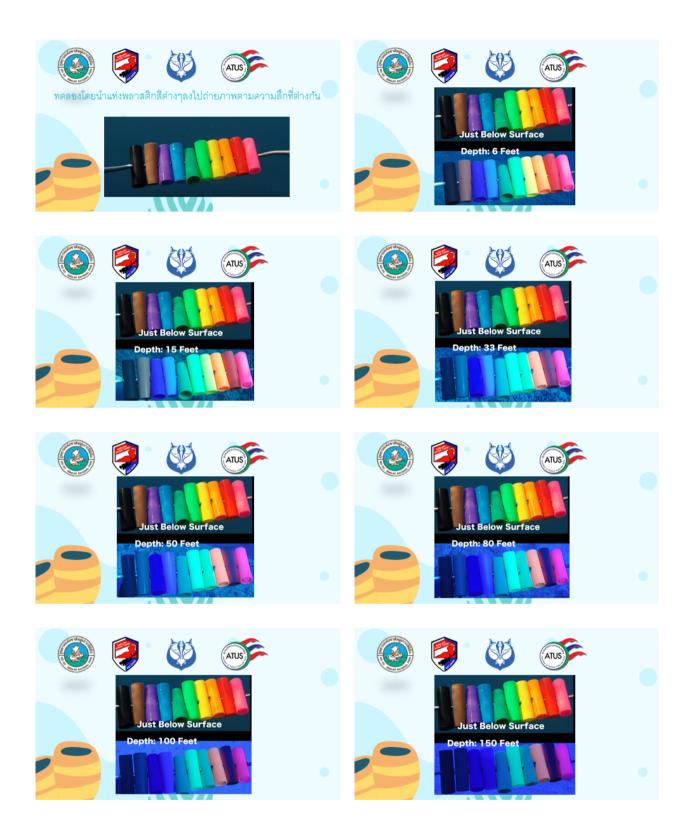
































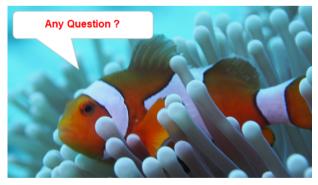












ANNEX 4 PRESENTATION OF DIVE PLANNING













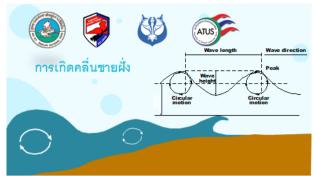




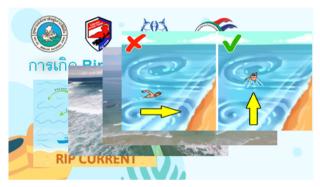




















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ANNEX 5 PRESENTATION OF SICKNESS CAUSED BY DIVING

















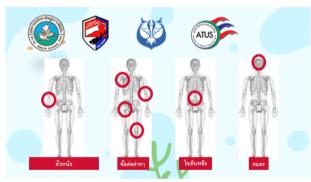
































ANNEX 6 PRESENTATION OF DIVING EQUIPMENT

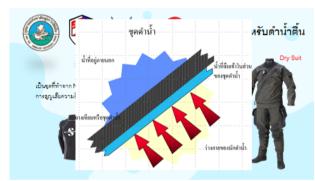






















































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TRAINING-WORKSHOP ATMOSPHERE



















