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INTEGRATED FISH FARMING

Integrated fish farming combines fish, swine, poultry, and vegetable production. Chicken coops and pens for pigs and ducks can be constructed on the dikes or above the ponds. Fresh animal manure thus enters the pond directly, hastening the growth of natural food organisms for the fish being cultured in the pond. Moreover, livestock feeds that fall into the pond can be directly utilized by the fish.

Animal manure can also be used to grow fodder crops on the sides of dikes such as squash for its chopped-up leaves to feed herbivorous fish. And adjacent vegetable plots can be fertilized by the nutrient-rich pond water.

Integrated farming thus brings aquaculture to resource-poor, small-scale farmers who cannot afford expensive farm inputs. Recycling by-products of animal husbandry greatly lowers the cost of fish production.

Item One: Milkfish, Tilapia, Shrimp Plus Chickens

In 1984-86, the Leganes Research Station of the SEAFDEC Aquaculture Department developed the polyculture of milkfish, tilapia, and shrimp with poultry. The fish swim in the water and the chickens grow to slaughter-size in poultry houses built above the water.

The two forms of husbandry mesh well in the biological food chain. Chicken droppings that pass through a welded-wire floor in the poultry house into the water below become a fertilizer for plankton, the natural food organisms on which fish feed. The milkfish, tilapia, and shrimp then thrive on the plankton.

Further research showed that a 4m x 8m poultry house was right for a 1000 m² fish pond. A bamboo catwalk connected the poultry house to the dike.

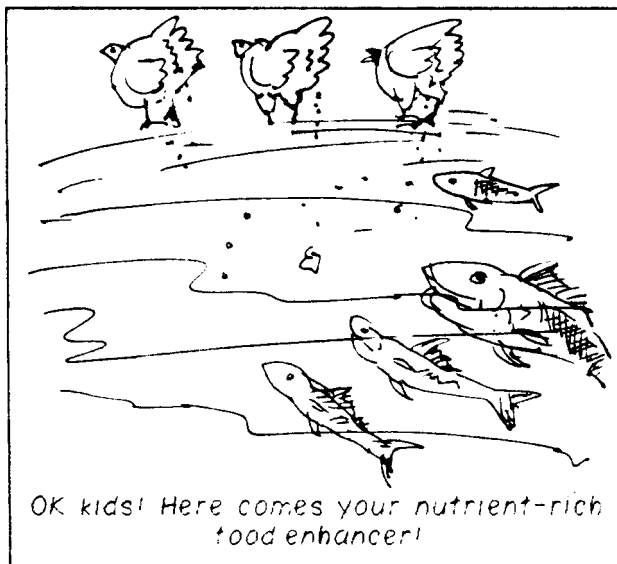
Stocking in the pond consisted of 200 milkfish fingerlings, 1 500 tilapia fingerlings, and 5000 shrimp juveniles - and above it, 90 3-wk old chicks were put in the poultry house. This mix was found to give the best productivity.

The chickens were harvested after 45 days - half the period for the fish. Two chicken crops were harvested for one fish crop.

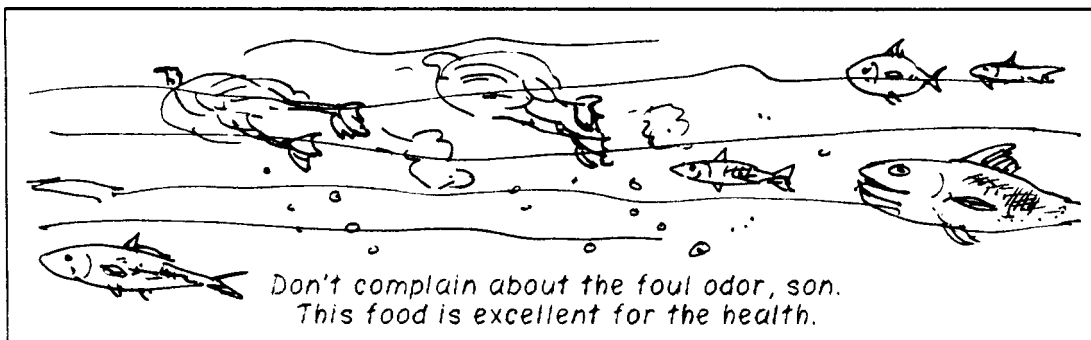
At harvest time, farmers who go into polyculture have both fish and chickens for household food and for sale.

For sanitation, it is suggested that chickens be harvested a week before the fish, and the pond water, immediately changed. When the fish are harvested after another week, the pond has the healthy smell of fresh fish.

Source: Terminal Report of Kaylin G. Corre, Research Associate, and Beato Pudadera, Jr., former Research Associate, SEAFDEC Aquaculture Department, Tigbauan, Iloilo, Philippines.



Item Two: Fish-cum-Duck Farming



The dikes of grow-out or 2-yr-old fingerling ponds are partly fenced to form a dry run and part of the water area or a corner of the pond is fenced with used material to form a wet run. The net pen is installed 40-50 cm above and below the water surface to save net material. In this way, fish can enter the wet run for food and ducks cannot escape under the net. In a large pond, a small island is constructed at the center of the pond for demand-feeding facilities. Stocking densities in China are higher than those in other countries, averaging 4.5 individuals/m² of pen shed including the dry run and 3-4 individuals/m² for the wet run.

In the early years of integrated fish-cum-duck farming, ducks went everywhere in the fish ponds to feed; this pattern has been improved. The duck-raising area has been set up to connect the duck shed, the dry run, and the wet run. Whether fish-cum-duck integration succeeds or not primarily depends on technical measures of duck raising. Both meat and egg-laying ducks can be raised in fishponds. In the summer, 14-day ducklings are accustomed to life on the water surface. The food stocks of meat ducks grow quickly, reaching marketable size (2 kg) in fishponds in 48-52 days; slow-growing stocks need 55-56 days. Ducks should be marketed as soon as they reach the marketable size or they will lose their feathers, resulting in decreased food efficiency, body weight, and commodity value.

The number of ducks to be raised in fishponds depends on the quantity of excreta per duck, which, in turn, depends on the species of duck, the quality of feed applied, and the method of raising. In raising Beijing ducks, about 7 kg excreta/duck can be obtained during the 3-day fattening period. The egg-laying Shaoxin ducks raised in Wuxi annually produce 42.5-47.5 kg manure/duck; hybrids of Shaoxin and Khaki-Comb ducks annually produce more than 50 kg/duck. The stocking rate of ducks also depends on climatic conditions and the stocking ratio and density of the various fish species in the pond. In Europe, the stocking rate is usually around 500 individuals/ha. As a result, the increment of fish yield will be 90 kg/ha. In tropical and subtropical zones, it has been recommended that the stocking rate should be 2250 individuals/ha. In Hong Kong, the optimum stocking rate is 2505-3450 individuals/ha; in Wuxi, 2000 individuals/ha. For meat ducks, the stocking rate should be reduced because of the greater production of excreta. In the Taihu district, 7 or 8 fish species are polycultured in fish ponds. The stocking ratio of the various species remains unchanged when ducks are raised. If the number of ducks exceeds 3000/ha, filter-feeding fish and omnivorous fish should be increased and herbivorous fish should be reduced.

Organic-material stacking won't occur in fish-cum-duck integration on the fishpond as long as the stocking rate of ducks is appropriate and the amount of excreta does not exceed the transforming power of the fishpond. Ducks swim loosely in the wet run to search for food, their excreta drop evenly into the wet run, and the fertilization effects of the droppings are felt throughout the pond.

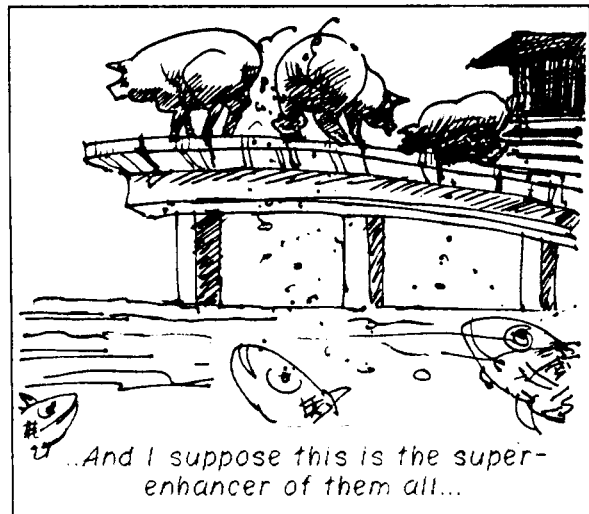
Item Three: Fish Culture with Pig Raising

Fish culture combined with pig raising is a traditional integrated fish-farming practice in rural China. Combining pig raising with duck raising and fish farming, not only increases economic efficiency but also increases social and ecological efficiency. The leftovers and residues from kitchen, aquatic plants, and products and wastes from agriculture and side occupations are often used as pig food. Pig excreta, in turn, are used as organic manure in fishponds. Pork is a main subsidiary food of the people in rural China, and pig excreta make a high-quality manure.

There are two types of pigsties in China: the simple pig shed constructed on the pond dyke or over the water surface and the centralized hog house. Both types have advantages and disadvantages. The simple pigsty is more suitable for households because of its lower cost and because of small-scale farms. The pig excreta can automatically flow or be flushed into the fishponds; this saves much labor. If the area of a fishpond is less than 8 mu,* a pigsty can be set up on the pond dyke and pig wastes will flow directly into the pond. If more than 30 pigs are raised on the same spot, there is too much manure for the direct-flow method. Manure is often heaped near the pigsty, causing a partial deterioration in water quality. Fish surfacing increases (dissolved oxygen content decreases) when pig manure sinks to the bottom of the pond or when too much manure flows into the pond.

Centralized hog houses are suitable for large-scale integrated fish farms. After dilution, the manure can be spread along the pond dyke manually from a small boat. In a large fish pond, the use of a boat and a mechanical spreading apparatus will facilitate application of manure.

In fish-cum-pig integration, the water quality must be constantly monitored because of the dissolved oxygen problem. Besides, the production period of pigs should match the demand of pig manure in fish farming.



* 1 mu = 667 m²

Item Four: Fish-cum-Aquatic Plant Integration

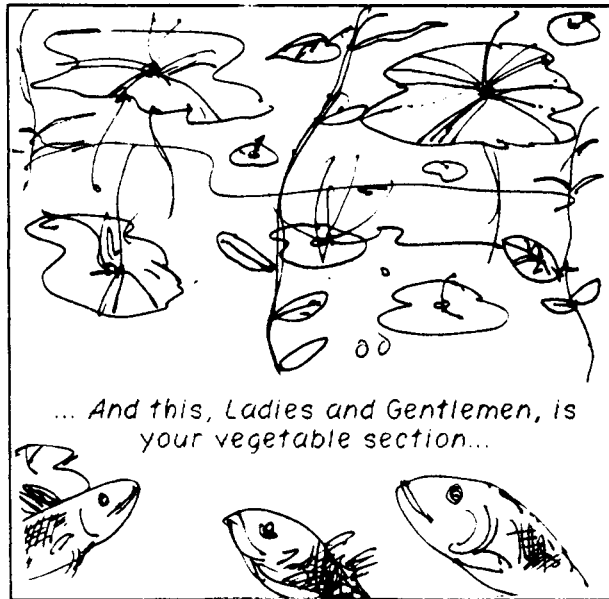
Fish farmers in southern China often culture aquatic plants in lakes, rivers, waterlogged areas, or inlets and outlets of irrigation canals. The principal aquatic plants cultured are the water hyacinth (*Eichhornia crassipes*), water lettuce (*Pistia stratiotes*), and water peanut or alligator weed (*Alternanthera philoxeroides*).

Water hyacinth is known as the "king of aquatic plants." Per unit area, it produces 6-10 times more protein than soybean. Aquatic macrophytes are easy to manage with less labor and lower costs. One person can manage about 50 mu of three aquatic plants and can produce 13.1% (dry weight) crude protein in 6 months.

The three aquatic plants are especially good for rearing fingerlings of silver and bighead carps. The plants should be mashed into a paste, but the residue could not be removed. To rear

adult fish, with herbivorous fish as the major species, these plants are often pulverized with a green fodder-crop pulverizer and fed to the fish.

Aquatic plants are also palatable to various animals in integrated fish farms. For this purpose, they need little or no processing. The rate of utilization, therefore, is high: with a small amount of wheat and rice brans, 900-1000 kg of aquatic plants can rear one piglet to an adult with a body weight of 60-70 kg. The excreta of one pig can be converted into more than 40 kg of fish per year. Water hyacinth can be fed to ducks at a daily rate of 150 g/duck with a little wheat and rice brans. The excreta of one duck (about 52 kg) can be converted into 3 kg of fish per year.

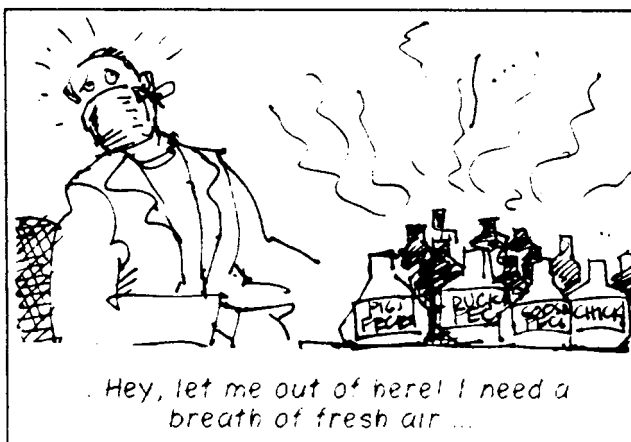


Aquatic plants have a high nutrient content as shown below.

Nutrient contents of three aquatic plants

	Dry matter (%)	Crude protein (%)	Crude fat (%)	Non-N extract (%)	Crude fibre (%)	Ash (%)	Ca (%)	P (%)	Yield (t/mu)
Alligator weed	9.2	2.18	0.18	2.49	1.19	1.25	0.23	0.03	15-25
Water lettuce	4.6	1.07	0.26	1.63	1.10	1.30	-	-	10-20
Water hyacinth	7.3	1.90	0.25	2.21	1.11	1.33	0.11	0.03	10-26

Item Five: Nutritional Elements in Pig and Poultry Manure



Pig manure includes much organic matter and other nutritional elements such as nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium and is a fine, complete manure. Pig feces are delicate, containing more nitrogen than other livestock feces (C:N=14:1), making them more susceptible to rotting. The major portion of pig urine is nitrogen in the form of urea. It decomposes easily.

The amount of excreta of a pig is greatly associated with its body weight and food intake. A 50-

kg pig discharges around 10 kg/day or 20% of its body weight. A pig excretes 1000 kg of feces and 1200 kg of urine in the growing period of 8 months from piglet to adult. A pig's daily excretion is less than a cow's or a horse's; however, pigs are better because of their faster growth, shorter fattening period, and suitability for pen culture. Also, pigs are raised on much larger scale, so it is beneficial to collect their manure.

Nutritional elements in pig manure

Item	Organic matter (%)	Inorganic matter (%)		
		N	P ₂ O ₅	K ₂ O
Feces	15	0.6	0.5	0.4
Urine	2.5	0.4	0.1	0.7

Poultry manures include the feces of chickens, ducks, and geese, and are rich in both organic and inorganic matter. Poultry manures rot quickly and their nitrogen is mostly in the form of uric acid, which cannot be absorbed directly by plants. Accordingly, poultry manures are more effective after fermentation. The annual amount of excrement per fowl is as follows: chicken, 5.0-5.7 kg; duck, 7.5-10.0 kg; goose, 12.5-15.0 kg. Although the annual excretion of each is comparatively small, the quantity of poultry culture is often great; therefore, the total amount of feces is significant.

Nutritional elements in poultry manure

Item	Organic matter (%)	Inorganic matter (%)		
		N	P ₂ O ₅	K ₂ O
Chicken feces	25.5	1.63	1.54	0.83
Duck feces	26.2	1.14	1.44	0.62
Goose feces	23.4	0.55	0.50	0.95

Source of Items Two to Five: **INTEGRATED FISH FARMING IN CHINA**, Technical Manual 7, 1989, Network of Aquaculture Centres in Asia and the Pacific, Bangkok, Thailand.

Item Six: Swine Manure as a Dietary Ingredient

Chinese integrated fish farms combine polyculture of carps with organic fertilization derived from agriculture. A study examined the response of a polyculture of silver, bighead, common, and Crucian carps to varying amounts and frequencies of fermented pig manure application.

Net fish yield averaged 10.2 kg/ha/d with an average manure application rate of 31-48 kg dry weight /ha/d. Daily manuring increased net fish yields by 38% over applying manure at 5- or 7-day intervals. Silver carp accounted for 62% of this increase. Net fish yield was directly proportional to the amount of manure applied over the range 0-48 kg dry weight manure/ha/d. Net fish yield increased 1.2 kg/ha/d for each 10.0 kg/ha/d increase in the manuring rate. Plankto-phagic fishes accounted for about 75% of this response. The conversion of manure to fish biomass was in the ratio of 8.3 kg dry manure: 1 kg wet fish weight. The contribution of primary productivity to fish yields was estimated in control ponds to which nothing was introduced except inorganic nitrogen and phosphorus equivalent to the amounts introduced as manure in the

experimental ponds. The average net fish yield in these control ponds was 4.3 kg/ha/d. Net fish production was directly proportional to the rate of microbial decomposition of cellulose at the sediment surface. This, and water quality measurements, demonstrated the importance of the heterotrophic food chain in these aquaculture systems.

Source: **Animal Nutrition Research Highlights**, June 1991, publication of American Soybean Association, P.O. Box 27300, St. Louis, MO., U.S.A.

Item Seven: Potential Health Hazards of Fish from Manured Ponds

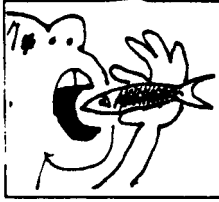
The introduction of a fishpond as a farm subsystem should not pose any unacceptable risks to public health. There is a possibility that livestock manured ponds may present health problems for humans because some diseases of animals are transmissible to human beings. Although there are few data in the literature on disease transfer through the use of manure as a pond fertilizer, it does appear that the risk of disease transmission via fish grown in such ponds is low. Furthermore, such fish are nutritionally and economically beneficial for farmers and consumers. Fish are not susceptible to most infections of warm blooded animals (livestock and man); they are healthy and demonstrate good growth in well managed manured ponds. The main danger lies in the passive transfer of disease-causing microorganisms like *Salmonella*. However, there is a rapid decrease and weakening of microorganisms in manured ponds in the tropics, probably due to high temperature, pH, and dissolved oxygen. As a final safeguard, fish raised in manured ponds should be washed and cooked well prior to consumption.

The construction of fishponds may provide breeding sites for disease-transmitting insects, particularly mosquitoes that may transmit malaria. However, mosquito breeding in ponds can be largely controlled by good design and management, in particular by preventing vegetation either hanging into or emerging through the surface of the pond. On the other hand, the fish themselves may aid mosquito control by the consumption of larvae.



Source: **Research and Education for the Development of Integrated Crop-Livestock Fish Farming Systems in the Tropics** (1988) by P. Edwards, R.S.V. Pullin, and J.A. Gartner. ICLARM, MC P.O. Box 1501, Makati, Metro Manila, Philippines.

Item Eight: Taste Tests



The International Center for Living Aquatic Resources Management (ICLARM) and the Central Luzon State University (CLSU) conducted two taste-test experiments: one for fish raised in pig-fish ponds and the other in duck-fish ponds. Fish grown in ponds fertilized with inorganic fertilizer were used as the controls.

Fish from the experimental ponds were randomly selected and harvested. The fish were prepared by removing the gills, internal organs, scales, and fins. The cleaned fish were cooked by steaming. One fish from each treatment (manure level or inorganic fertilizer) was placed in each platter. The fish were coded so the taste panel could not identify them.

Each taste panel was composed of six persons selected to include males and females, laborers and scientists, and different cultures (Malay and Caucasian). The panelists were asked to evaluate the taste of the fish on the basis of the following scores:

- | | |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| 10 - Excellent | 5 - Slightly fair |
| 9 - Very good | 4 - Slightly poor |
| 8 - Good | 3 - Poor |
| 7 - Slight good | 2 - Very poor |
| 6 - Fair | 1 - Extremely poor |

Results are shown in tables below. In both tests, fish reared in manured ponds received higher ratings than those reared in ponds receiving inorganic fertilizer. Further, high manure levels gave higher ratings than lower manure levels. This palatability of fish grown in manured ponds is further supported by observations made during the sale of fish produced from the experiment. Buyers would line up on pond dikes to buy the fish as the fish were harvested. The buyers were well aware of the nutrient source for the ponds.

It is suggested to hold the fish grown in manure ponds overnight or for a few days in "clean" water to allow them to "clean" themselves out. This was initially done but was stopped when the buyers wanted to take the fish directly from the pond. Immediate sale minimized both labor and weight loss during holding (10 to 15% in 14 h). The fish should be removed from the pond alive and rinsed before sale. The only complaints received about bad tasting fish occurred when the fish had died in the pond mud during harvest or were inadequately rinsed before sale.

Taste tests of Nile tilapia reared in ponds fertilized with inorganic fertilizer and pig manure

Panelist	Score		
	Inorganic fertilizer input	Manure input (pigs/ha)	
		40	60
1	8	5	7
2	6	3	8
3	10	3	9
4	4	10	10
5	8	7	9
6	3	9	6
Total	39	43	49

Taste tests of Nile tilapia reared in ponds fertilized with inorganic fertilizer and duck manure

Panelist	Score		
	Inorganic fertilizer input	Manure input (ducks/ha)	
		750	1250
1	5	9	9
2	6	6	10
3	7	9	10
4	6	9	9
5	6	8	7
6	6	8	8
Total	36	43	53

Source: **The ICLARM-CLSU Integrated Animal-Fish Farming Project: Final Report (1982)** by Kevin D. Hopkins, ICLARM, MC P.O. Box 1501, Makati, Metro Manila, Philippines; and Emmanuel M. Cruz, CLSU, Muñoz, Nueva Ecija, Philippines.

INLAND FRESHWATER VS. COASTAL BRACKISHWATER AQUACULTURE: BENEFITS FOR WHOM?

While national governments and international agencies are beginning to pour money and technical resources into aquacultural development, the argument is made that its benefits are in danger of being skewed in much the same way that the benefits of development in agriculture and marine fisheries have been skewed in favor of the already affluent. However, aquacultural development is still in its infancy - lessons from past mistakes can be learned - and there is reason to hope that important actors in the field are concerned that the benefits of aquacultural development be equitably distributed.

For present purposes, development is defined as conscious actions which promote sustainable and equitable processes of change leading to improvement in the quality of life. The issue of sustainability is for obvious reasons important in regard to development of natural resources of resource dependent production systems such as aquaculture. Equity demands the socially defined just distribution of benefits.

Policymakers who are responsible for the promotion of aquacultural development make a series of choices regarding which type of aquacultural technology to promote. The choices they make often reflect a common technocratic worldview which equates development with increased productivity and economic efficiency. This view of development is consistent both with the class and institutional interests of national elites in Third World nations and the perspective of international assistance agencies involved in fisheries and aquacultural development. The need to generate foreign exchange earnings is a key factor in decisions to promote capital-intensive, export-oriented aquacultural development. The need to address malnutrition and rural poverty may be recognized as a serious problem, but these often appear to be regarded as secondary to the problem of increasing foreign exchange earnings.

To focus on inland freshwater vs. coastal brackishwater aquaculture, much more than the presence or absence of salt separates fresh and brackishwater aquaculture. Of central importance are differences in market orientation, property rights, and scale of operations.

Prior to the 1970s, coastal aquaculture was the province of small-scale producers of fish and shrimp for domestic markets. Over the past two decades, however, coastal aquaculture has been transformed into a major source of foreign exchange earnings due to technical advancements in the production and international marketing of penaeid shrimp. The expansion of shrimp mariculture into mangrove habitat generally involves the transformation of a multi-use/multi-user coastal resource into a privately owned single purpose resource. The expropriation of coastal resources has a direct effect on coastal residents' ability to earn a living. Not only do they lose access to mangrove products, they also are likely to suffer losses due to declining catches from fisheries resources associated with the mangrove.

Communities of people who depend on mangrove resources tend to be politically and economically marginal. It is not surprising that what they regard as their traditional resource use rights are ignored by modern society.

The question of property rights directly affects the issue of scale in operations. Most land suitable for inland freshwater aquaculture already is owned, in general by small-scale producers. In contrast, coastal mangroves are subject to distribution under state control, making it relatively easy to create large holdings. Shrimp maricultural development of the type most commonly promoted by national governments and supported by international development agencies is oriented to large-scale enterprises rather than to small-scale producers.

Market orientation has direct implications for scale of operations. Most freshwater species are not regarded as luxury food items, so that

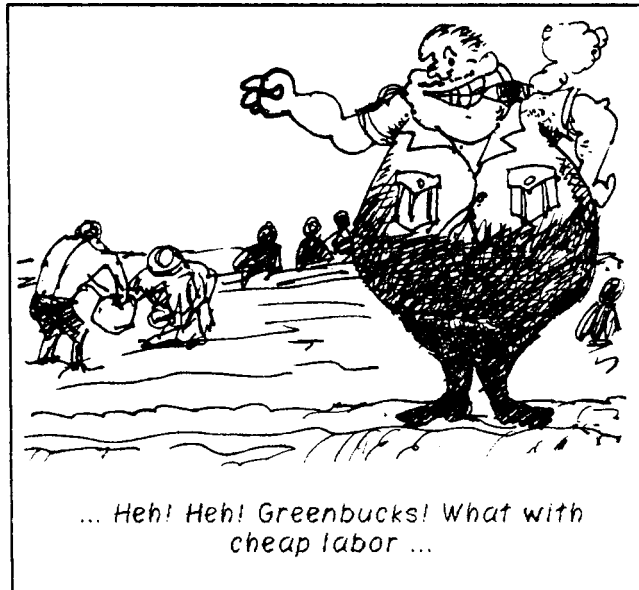
production remains available to rural consumers rather than being attracted into urban markets or exported to other countries. Freshwater aquaculture lends itself well to integration with other farm household activities. Selling small quantities of fish to local residents also may provide small but for the household important increases in income.

Opportunities for supernormal profits in shrimp mariculture have attracted well-financed entrepreneurs. Shrimp culture is capital rather than labor intensive. During the construction phase, significant amounts of unskilled labor are required, but once the ponds are in place, the labor demand is limited. The irony is that the very process of shrimp maricultural development directly contributes to low wages by restricting access to local resources, thereby reducing local employment opportunities and increasing workers' dependence on seasonal jobs which require few skills. The problem with shrimp culture is that it is being pursued with such single-minded devotion that social and environmental consequences are not adequately considered.

The negative consequences of shrimp maricultural development are not the blind chance of a cruel economic fate, but rather are the direct result of structural inequalities of wealth and power. These factors combine to create significant structural change, the marginalization of coastal residents as unskilled labor, and a seriously skewed distribution of development benefits. Profits and foreign exchange from shrimp mariculture often have been earned at the expense of broader social interest.

Development of the productive potential of aquaculture represents an important opportunity to help solve problems of protein malnutrition which occur in rural inland areas of many Third World nations. Production of such freshwater species as tilapia involves relatively simple technologies and little capital investment. Such production systems can be integrated into existing household activities and contribute to fuller utilization of available labor and material resources, including animal wastes and crop residues. Freshwater aquaculture can be promoted either as a private activity of individual households or as communal activities organized along cooperative lines.

If development is perceived as a process through which improvements are made to the quality of life for society as a whole, rather than for certain classes or groups, current policies by national and international agencies need to be reconsidered. In particular, greater emphasis needs to be placed on inland freshwater aquaculture, where the potential for improving nutrition and income for those most in need is great.



Source: Conner Bailey and Mike Skladany, *The Political Economy of Aquacultural Development in the Third World* in *ICA Communicae*, December 1989, Auburn University International Center for Aquaculture, Auburn University, Alabama, U.S.A.

SHELF LIFE OF DRIED AND FERMENTED FISH PRODUCTS

Below are the results of a survey conducted by the SEAFDEC Marine Fisheries Research Department among six ASEAN countries: Brunei, India, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, and Thailand.

Dried product	Country	Storage period and condition
Abalone	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Anchovy	MAL	1-6 months at cool, dry place
	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Barracuda	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Bigeye scad	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Chilled sour salted fish	BRU	2-3 wk in refrigerator
Crevalle	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Deep-bodied herring	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Fimbriated herring	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Hairtail	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Indian sardines	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Jelly fish	THA	3-6 months at room temperature
Lizardfish	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Long tailed Nemipterid	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Milkfish	PHI	42 days at room temperature or 49 days in refrigerator
Prawn	BRU	6 months at cool, dry place
	MAL	3-6 months at cool, dry place
Roundscad	PHI	Few months at clean, cool and dry place
Salted fish	IND	3 months at room temperature
	MAL	6 months at cool, dry place
	THA	3-6 months at room temperature
Salted freshwater fish	THA	3-6 months at room temperature
Sea cucumber	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
	SIN	Indefinite period at cool, dry place
Shark fin	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
	SIN	Indefinite period at cool, dry place
Shellfish	THA	3-6 months at room temperature
Shrimp	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
	THA	3-6 months at room temperature
Slipmouth	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Soft-bodied mackerel	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
Squid	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place
	THA	3-6 months at room temperature
Striped mackerel	PHI	Few months at clean, cool, and dry place

Fermented product	Country	Storage period and condition
Fish	BRU	3-4 wk
	IND	2 wk at room temperature
	THA	2-3 wk at cool, dry place
	THA	1-3 yr at (29-33°C)
Fish paste	IND	2 months at cool, dry place
	PHI	6-12 months
Fish sauce	IND	1 yr at room temperature
	THA	1-3 yr at cool, dry place
	PHI	6-12 months
	THA	more than 1 yr at cool, dry place
Fish stomach	BRU	3-4 wk
Mussel	BRU	3-4 wk
Pickled shrimp	BRU	1 month in refrigerator
Shrimp paste	BRU	1-2 yr
	PHI	3 wk to 6 months
	THA	1-2 yr at cool, dry place

Source: **Southeast Asian Fish Products**, 2nd ed., 1991, SEAFDEC Marine Fisheries Research Department, Changi Point, Singapore.

SHRIMPATCH AND FISHHEALTH CLOSE

Droves of aquaculturists continue to "partake of the fruits" of SEAFDEC/AQD's research and development efforts. Participants from all over Southeast Asia graduate from its training courses to enrich aquaculture activities in the region.

On 14 May this year, the training course in *Shrimp Hatchery/Nursery Operations and Management* (SHRIMPATCH for short) closed with 17 graduates. Coming from five countries, they were: Mary Lynn Seneriches-Abiera, Antonio P. Morales, Armando R. de Lima, Jaime S. Mora, Rosauro P. Baldia, Eden Japitana, Reynaldo R. Constantino, Inocencio L. Cosare, and El Cid R. Caballes - Philippines; Mohd. Zakaria bin Morshidi and Daut B. Md. Ali - Malaysia; Pajongjit Boonnoon, Yowwapa Kulangkooravired, and Nopadon Kakhai - Thailand; Jahangir Jafari - Iran; and Wamakulasuriya Ranjith Perera and K.M.C.W.B. Wickramathilake - Sri Lanka. They composed Batch 29.

SHRIMPATCH covered site and species selection; design and construction of hatchery and nursery tanks; larval and post-larval rearing and feeding; harvesting, packing, and transport of fry; and hatchery economics.

The 5th session of the *Fish Health Management Training Course* (FISHHEALTH for short) graduated 14 trainees on 29 May. The graduates were Francisca P. Galura, Rosalina N. Dy Contreras, Julita P. Lavaro, Hope Marie Metal, Salvacion G. Esibra, Eleonor J. Resotay, Grace B. Bangud, Gary A. Grijaldo, Armando G. Puzon, Jr., Plutomeo M. Nieves, and Kenneth S. Kennedy - Philippines; 00 Mooi Gaik - Malaysia; Sanchai Tandavanitj and Wasan Sreevatana - Thailand.

The training course covered topics on the occurrence and spread of disease in aquaculture operations; microbial diseases affecting aquaculture; non-infectious diseases; and disease prevention and control.

ADSEA II SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Following is the schedule of activities of the 2nd Seminar-Workshop on Aquaculture Development in Southeast Asia (ADSEA II) and Prospects for Seafarming and Searanching to be held at the Amigo Terrace Hotel, Iloilo City, Philippines, 19-23 August 1991:

Monday, August 19

a.m. 10:00 Registration
p.m. 3:00 Opening Ceremony
5:00 Cocktails

Tuesday, August 20

a.m. 8:00 Overview of Aquaculture Development in Southeast Asia (1988-1991)
8:30 Country Papers (Japan, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand)
11:00 Review of SEAFDEC/AQD Research and Training Activities (1988-1991)
p.m. 3:20 Mini-workshops

Wednesday, August 21

a.m. 8:00 Directions for Aquaculture Research and Training (1992-1994) (Plenary Session Workshop I)
p.m. 1:30 Free Time

Thursday, August 22

a.m. 8:00 Overview of Seafarming and Searanching Technologies in Southeast Asia and Japan
8:30 Country Papers (Japan, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand)
10:10 Prospects of Seafarming through the Fisheries Sector Program (Philippines)
p.m. 1:00 Ecological Impact of Seafarming; Social and Economic Considerations in the Implementation of Seafarming and Searanching; An Assessment of the Artificial Reef Programs in Southeast Asia (Plenary Session Workshop II)
2:30 General Discussion
6:00 Banquet

Friday, August 23

a.m. 8:00 Workshop Recommendations I
9:45 Workshop Recommendations II
11:15 Closing Ceremony

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