

NATURE-POSITIVE LIVELIHOODS & SMART FISHERIES DATA FOR BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION



17 18 months

Regions 2, 4, 5 and 6, **Guyana**

Estimated budget: USD 164K

Sector: Fisheries



Context

Fisherfolk in Guyana are increasingly affected by declining catches, overfishing, climate change and limited income diversification. At the same time, incomplete and delayed fisheries data makes it harder to manage resources sustainably and respond to emerging biodiversity threats. The project combines two complementary approaches: developing nature-positive alternative livelihoods to reduce pressure on fish stocks, and piloting a fisher-friendly digital self-reporting tool to improve catch data, safety information and evidence-based fisheries management.



Objectives

- To support biodiversity conservation and climate-resilient livelihoods in Guyana by enabling artisanal fishers to diversify income sources, strengthen fisheries monitoring, and actively participate in sustainable marine resource management.
- To identify and develop feasible, environmentally sustainable alternative livelihoods for artisanal fisherfolk.
- To pilot high-potential livelihood activities that support both income generation and biodiversity conservation.
- To develop a user-friendly digital self-reporting tool to strengthen fisheries monitoring



Institutions : Fisheries Department, local fisheries officers and extension workers

Local actors : artisanal fisherfolk, cooperatives, fishing communities, women and youth

Technical support : app developers, livelihood experts, trainers and field officers

Partners : AFD, WWF, UICN, EF

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STRENGTHENING SKILLS, SAFETY, AND COMMUNICATION FOR SUSTAINABLE ARTISANAL FISHERIES



17 1 year

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Estimated budget : USD 179K

Sector: Fisheries



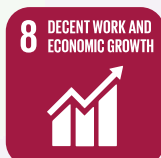
Context

Artisanal fisheries are central to coastal livelihoods in Guyana, providing income, employment and food security for vulnerable communities. However, fisherfolk face growing pressure from declining fish stocks, unsafe equipment, weak cooperative governance, limited access to timely information and climate-related risks. The project responds to BIODEV2030 stakeholder consultations by strengthening fisherfolk skills, improving safety and communication, and promoting biodiversity-friendly fishing practices that support more sustainable marine resource management



Objectives

- To enhance the sustainability, safety, and biodiversity performance of artisanal fisheries in Guyana by strengthening fisherfolk skills, improving access to information, promoting nature-positive fishing practices and good governance of Fishing Cooperatives/Groups
- To strengthen safety, professionalism, and governance in artisanal fisheries
- To promote biodiversity-friendly and compliant fishing practices
- To enhance communication, awareness, and access to timely information



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