

# OUR FISH- OUR WEALTH



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For hundreds of years now our people have depended almost entirely on the sea for a livelihood. So dependent are we on her that we revere and worship her.

And yet sometimes when the catch is very poor and seems to decrease day by day whatever we do, we tend to blame her. We say she is angry, she has been unkind. Has she?

Could it be that in our ignorance, our need, our greed, we are taking too much, too soon from her?

Are the fishing methods, gear and craft we use today the best ones?

Do they do the best for us by way of catch weight? If they do not, what can we do about it?

In a series of colourful picture story books like this one, we will discuss these questions one by one and try to understand and learn about what we could do to protect and conserve the wealth that is ours – our fish stocks.

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