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Government Notifications

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FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES ACT, No. 2 OF 1996

REGULATIONS made by the Minister of Fisheries and Ocean Resources under Section 61 of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act, No. 2 of 1996.

MAHINDA WIJESSEKARA,
Minister of Fisheries and Ocean Resources.

Colombo,
19th September, 2002.

Regulations

1. These regulations may be cited as the Parakrama Samudraya Fisheries Management Area Regulations of 2002.
2. These Regulations shall apply to the Fisheries Management Area of the Parakrama Samudraya described in the Schedule hereto (hereinafter referred to as the "Fisheries Management Area").
3. Notwithstanding anything contained in any other written law to the contrary, no license holder shall engage in any fishing operations within the Fisheries Management Area unless the license issued to such license holder bears an endorsement to the effect that it is " valid for Parakrama Samudraya Management Area".
4. No person shall use any fishing gear other than the gill nets within the Fisheries Management Area, and the maximum number of gill nets and the boats (Oru) that could be used, shall be determined by the Parakrama Samudraya Fisheries Management Committee.
5. No person shall use any gill net of mesh size less than four inches (101.6 mm), and the set of will nets that could be in a boat (Oru) shall be as follows :—
 - (a) maximum number of net pieces in a set of gill nets, shall be limited to five (05) ; and
 - (b) maximum length of a net piece shall not exceed one thousand and five hundred (1,500) meshes.

6. (1) Any use of gill nets and removal of gill nets in the Fisheries Management Area shall not be carried out except during the times indicated below :—

use of gill nets from 3.00 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

removal of gill nets from 4.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.

(2) No person shall engage in taking of fish and use of gill nets during the hours from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.

7. In these Regulations—

“Fisheries Management Committee” means a Committee set up under the Fisheries Committee Regulations of 1997, published in *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 972/15 of April 25, 1997;

“license holder” means a person who is in possession of a valid license issued under the Inland Fisheries Management Regulations, 1996; and

“gill net” means a net set at any depth, surface, mid water or at the bottom layers of waters.

SCHEDULE

The Parakrama Samudraya in the Tāmānkaduwa Divisional Secretary's Divisions in Polonnaruwa District, in the North Central Province covering the following Grama Niladhari Divisions, is declared as a Fisheries Management Area :—

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| 01. | No. 155 | — Athumalpittiya ; |
| 02. | No. 154 | — Samudragama ; |
| 03. | No. 155A | — Sirisangabo Pedesa ; |
| 04. | No. 157 | — Sinha Udagama ; |
| 05. | No. 161 | — Ganangolla ; |
| 06. | No. 164 | — Parakrama Samudraya ; |
| 07. | No. 165 | — Amban Ganga ; |
| 08. | No. 166 | — Talapagala ; |
| 09. | No. 167 | — Pothgul Pedesa ; |
| 10. | No. 171 | — Thopawewa ; |
| 11. | No. 172 | — Polonnaruwa Town ; |
| 12. | No. 199 | — Nissankamallapura and Minneri Girithale Wild Life Reserve 1. |

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