

## PART I : SECTION (I) – GENERAL

### Government Notifications

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#### THE FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES ACT, No. 2 OF 1996

REGULATIONS made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61, read with sections 6, 28 and 29 of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act, No. 2 of 1996.

INDIKA RUPASINGHE GUNAWARDENA,  
Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development.

Colombo,  
31st October, 1996.

#### Regulations

1. These regulations may be cited as Fishing Operations Regulations of 1996 and shall come into operation on the first day of December, 1996.
2. (a) No person shall catch, land, transport, sell, buy, receive or have in his possession any marine mammals or turtles.  
(b) The following fishing operations are hereby prohibited :—
  - (i) Push Net fishing operations;
  - (ii) Harpooning for marine mammals;
  - (iii) Moxi Net fishing operations;
  - (iv) Gill Net or Trammel Net fishing operations on coral reefs or rocks.
3. No person shall engage in, or cause any other person to engage in, any fishing operation specified in Part I of the Schedule hereto, in the sea, estuaries or coastal lagoons of Sri Lanka except under the authority of a licence issued under these regulations and otherwise than in accordance with the terms and conditions attached to such licence.
4. Every application for a licence referred to in Regulation 3 shall be substantially in Form "A" in Part II of the Schedule hereto, and shall be sent by registered post to the Licensing Officer of the Administrative District in which the relevant fishing operation is to be carried out, and shall be accompanied by the relevant licence fee specified in Part III of the Schedule hereto, Application shall be made by the owner of the boat (if such boat is used in the fishing operation) or by the owner of the fishing equipment, as the case may be. Where a Licensing Officer has not been appointed for any Administrative District, such application may be addressed to the Director of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (hereinafter referred to as "the Director").
5. Every licence granted under these regulations shall be in Form "B" in Part II of the Schedule hereto and shall be in force for a period of one year from the date of the licence unless it is cancelled earlier under Section 10 of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act.
6. It shall be the duty of every licensee to surrender his licence immediately after its expiry or cancellation or when applying for renewal of such licence.



7. A licence granted under these regulations may be renewed upon application made to the Licensing Officer or the Director as the case may be not less than 30 days before the expiry of the licence. Such application shall be substantially in Form "A" in Part II of the Schedule hereto and shall be accompanied by the fee for renewal of licence specified in Part III of the Schedule hereto.

8. A licence may be renewed by the issue of a licence on Form "B" in Part II of the Schedule hereto with an endorsement by the Licensing Officer or the Director as the case may be, that it is a renewal of licence.

## SCHEDULE

[Regulation 3]

### Part I

#### FISHING OPERATIONS REQUIRING LICENCE

##### *Prescribed fishing operation*

##### *Interpretation*

1. Fishing operations carried out by Seine Nets including fishing operations carried out using beach seine "Madel" or Danish seine nets

"Seine Net" means a net with or without a cod end (madiya) at the centre which covers a certain water mass and has two ropes tied at the two ends of the net which is pulled towards the land or into a vessel with the help of the ropes

2. Fishing operations carried out by Trawl Nets including those using nets without two wings but using vertical poles at the two free ends of the net

"Trawl Net" means towing nets having a cone shaped body and a bag or cod end (madiya) connected to the apex with or without two wings connected to the other end. (These nets are towed in sea, lagoon or in other water bodies or in reservoirs by one or two craft for harvesting of fish.)

3. Fishing operations carried out by surrounding net

"Surrounding Net" means a net set in water covering all sides except the surface of the water

4. Fishing operations carried out by Trammel Nets

"Trammel Net" means a net which is made out of three nets placed one over the other the middle one having the smallest mesh net and the other two nets having relatively larger sized mesh

5. Fishing operations carried out by Gill Nets

"Gill Net" means a net set at any depth, surface, midwater or at the bottom layers of water

6. Fishing operations carried out by Drift Gill Nets

"Drift Gill Net" means a net set at the surface layers of water

7. Fishing operations carried out by Long Lines

"Long Line" means a fishing gear having a main line and number of branch lines fixed at regular intervals, with each branch line having a hook with or without a bait. When a long line is allowed to float freely at the surface, mid-water or close to the bottom, it is known as a Floating Long Line and when the line is anchored close to the bottom or at the bottom it is called the Bottom Long Line

8. Fishing operations carried out by Cast Nets

"Cast net" means a cone shaped net, one end of which is kept free and the other end cast on to the surface of water

9. Fishing operations carried out by Fish Traps

"Fish Trap" means device of various shapes made out of various materials into which fish enters through an opening and gets trapped

10. Fishing operations carried out by Stake Net (Kattu Del)

"Stake Net" (Kattu Del) means a net consisting of a conical or cylindrical trap with or without a frame and with a device which draws the fish into the net



<i>Prescribed fishing operation</i>	<i>Interpretation</i>
11. Bivalve Mussel Fishing Operation	"Bivalve Mussel Fishing Operation" means catching of bivalve mussels with or without using instruments
12. Beche-de-mer Fishing Operations	"Beche-de-mer Fishing Operation" means catching of Beche-de-mer with or without instruments
13. Chank Fishing Operation	"Chank Fishing Operation" means catching of chanks with or without using any equipment
14. Fishing operations carried out by "Pila Atu" ( <i>Tephrosia</i> species)	"Pila Atu Fishing Operation" means the process in which bundles of Pila plants ( <i>Theprosia</i> species) are made to float on water and the fish that aggregate around it are caught using other fishing equipment or gear
15. Fishing operations carried out by Fish Aggregating Devices	"Fish Aggregating Devices" means structures which float on water or are set in or under water to enable the taking of fish that take shelter under the structures by using other types of equipment or gear
16. Fishing operations carried out by Lift Net or Atoli	"Lift Net" or "Atoli" means a net with or without a frame kept underwater, over which fish assemble and are caught by lifting the net
17. Fishing operations carried out by diving (including free diving, SCUBA diving, and diving with HOOKAH)	"Diving" means to enter the water and to collect by hand, or with the assistance of a net or other device, fish, crustacea, molluscs, other shellfish, or any other form of living aquatic creature, for commercial purposes

## Part II

[Regulations 4 and 7]

### FORM "A"

APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A LICENCE FOR FISHING OPERATIONS OR FOR THE RENEWAL OF SUCH A LICENCE  
 (To be submitted in triplicate)

1. Full name of the applicant : \_\_\_\_\_.
2. (a) Permanent address of the applicant : \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (b) Mailing address of the applicant : \_\_\_\_\_.
3. National Identity Card No. of the applicant : \_\_\_\_\_.
4. If this is an application for the renewal of a licence, then give the following details:
  - 4.1 Previous Fishing Licence No. : \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 4.2 Date of issue : \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 4.3 Date of expiry : \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 4.4 Name of issuing officer : \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 4.5 Designation of issuing officer : \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 4.6 District of issuing officer : \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Description of the boat to be used in the fishing operations:
  - 5.1 Type of boat : \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 5.2 Length of boat : \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 5.3 Tonnage of boat : \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 5.4 Registration No. : \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 5.5 Horse power of the engine : \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 5.6 Inboard or outboard engine : \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 5.7 No. of crew (incl. Skipper) to be engaged in the fishing operation : \_\_\_\_\_.



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பகுதி I : தொகுதி (1) — இலங்கைச் சனநாயக சோசலிசக் குடியரசு வார்த்தமாளப் பத்திரிகை — அதிகாரமுள்ளது — 1996.11.07

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6. Description of nets to be used in the fishing operations: Will the fishing operations include the use of nets (Yes...../ No.....).  
If yes provide the following details for each type of net, Examples of types of nets are gillnets, trammel nets, cast nets, trawl nets, seine nets, and purse seine nets,

6.1 Type of net (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 2): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_.

6.2 No. of nets (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 2): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_.

6.3 Av. Length of nets (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 2): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_.

6.4 Av. Depth of nets (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 2): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_.

6.5 Mesh seize of nets (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 2): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_.

7. Description of lines to be used in the fishing operations: Will the fishing operations include the use of lines (Yes...../No.....).  
If yes provide the following details for each type of line, Examples of types of line are longlines, troll lines, and handlines :

7.1 Type of lines (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 2): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_.

7.2 No. of lines (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 2): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_.

7.3 Av. Length of lines (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 2): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_.

7.4 Av. No. of hooks/line (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 2): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_.

8. Description of other gear to be used in the fishing operations. Will the fishing operations include the use of other gear (Yes..... / No.....).

If yes provide the following details for each type of other gear:

8.1 Type of other gear (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 2): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_.

8.2 No. of units of other gear (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 2): \_\_\_\_\_. (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_.

9. Description of the intended marine areas / locations of the fishing operations :

9.1 Name of landing sites (site 1) : \_\_\_\_\_. (site 2) : \_\_\_\_\_. (site 3): \_\_\_\_\_.

9.2 Name of fishing grounds (site 1) : \_\_\_\_\_. (site 2) : \_\_\_\_\_. (site 3) : \_\_\_\_\_.

10. Description of periods and times when fishing operations are intended :

(a) Months during the year that fishing operations are expected to take place : \_\_\_\_\_.

(b) Times of the day that fishing operations are expected to take place : \_\_\_\_\_.

11. Name of the main species that are expected to be caught :

(species 1) : \_\_\_\_\_. (species 2) : \_\_\_\_\_. (species 3) : \_\_\_\_\_. (species 4) : \_\_\_\_\_.

I certify that the foregoing is a true statement of facts to the best of my knowledge. If succesful, I undertake to abide by the fisheries regulations and the conditions of the licence.

Date : \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the Applicant

For office use only

Comments by the fisheries Inspector / Field Officer : \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Officer

Name : \_\_\_\_\_.

Designation : \_\_\_\_\_.

Area: \_\_\_\_\_.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_.



RECOMMENDATION OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE DISTRICT / DISTRICT FISHERIES EXTENSION OFFICER

I recommend that the applicant \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ be granted / not granted a licence to engage in the fishing operations as described, subject to the following conditions : \_\_\_\_\_

If licence not recommended, reasons are: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Designation: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Order of the Director / Licensing Officer

Issue of licence is approved / not approved

If approved, the special conditions to be attached to the licence are :

1. Permitted boat:

1.1 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1.2 Registration No. : \_\_\_\_\_

2. Permitted gears :

- 2.1 Type of net (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.2 No of nets (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.3 Length of nets (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.4 Depth of nets (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.5 Mesh size of nets (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.6 Type of lines (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.7 No. of lines (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.8 Length of lines (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.9 No of hooks / line (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.10 Type of other gear (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.11 No. of units of other gear (type 1): \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3): \_\_\_\_\_

3. Permitted periods in the year and times of the day :

3.1 Periods of the year : \_\_\_\_\_

3.2 Times of the day : \_\_\_\_\_

4. Permitted species : \_\_\_\_\_

5. Permitted areas / locations of operations : \_\_\_\_\_

If not approved, reasons are : \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Director/Licensing Officer

Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Designation : \_\_\_\_\_

District : \_\_\_\_\_

Date : \_\_\_\_\_



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[Regulations 4 and 8].

# FORM "B"

## DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES

New Secretariat,  
Maligawatte,  
Colombo 10,  
Sri Lanka.

Licence No. : \_\_\_\_\_

### LICENCE FOR FISHING OPERATIONS

Licence for engaging in fishing operations is hereby granted to Mr. / Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_ in terms of the provisions of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act, No. 2 of 1996 and regulations made or kept in force under that Act, and the conditions of this licence.

Director of Fisheries and  
Aquatic Resources Licensing Officer.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Conditions

#### Specific Conditions :

- Only the boat identified below may be engaged in the fishing operations :
  - Name : \_\_\_\_\_
  - Length : \_\_\_\_\_
  - Registration No. : \_\_\_\_\_
- Only the fishing gears as identified below may be used in the fishing operations :
  - Type of net (type 1) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
  - No. Nets (type 1) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
  - Av. Length of nets (type 1) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
  - Av. Depth of nets (type 1) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
  - Mesh size of nets (type 1) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
  - Type of lines (type 1) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
  - No. of lines (type 1) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
  - Av. Length of lines (type 1) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
  - Av. No. of hooks (type 1) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
  - Type of other gear (type 1) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
  - No. of units of other gear (type 1) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 2) : \_\_\_\_\_ (type 3) : \_\_\_\_\_
- Fishing operations are permitted only during the period of the year and times of the day as described below:
  - Permitted period of the year : \_\_\_\_\_
  - Permitted times of the day : \_\_\_\_\_
- Only the species listed below are permitted to be taken during the fishing operations : \_\_\_\_\_



5. Fishing operations are permitted only in those areas / locations as described below : \_\_\_\_\_.

*General Conditions :*

6. This licence shall not be transferable except with the sanction of the Director / Licensing Officer.
7. If this licence is lost, the licensee shall inform the Director immediately of that fact.
8. A licence obtained for any specific fishing operation shall not be used for any other fishing operation.
9. This licence shall be valid for a period of one year and it shall be surrendered to the Director / Licensing Officer immediately after expiry.
10. Thirty days before expiry of the licence, it may be renewed for a further period of one year.
11. A recommendation from the Asst. Director / District Fisheries Extension Officer of the district shall accompany each application for a licence.
12. Any person who engages in a fishing operation in breach of the provisions of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act or regulations under the Act is liable to a fine not exceeding Rs. 2,000/- or imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months. The fishing gear may be forfeited to the State and the licence may be cancelled.

*Endorsement of Renewal*

Renewed from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature.

Name : \_\_\_\_\_.

Designation : \_\_\_\_\_.

District : \_\_\_\_\_.

Renewed from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_.

Designation: \_\_\_\_\_.

District: \_\_\_\_\_.

**Part III**

(Regulation 4)

**ANNUAL LICENCE FEES / RENEWAL FEES FOR FISHING OPERATIONS**

*Fishing Operation*

*Annual Licence Fees / Renewal Fees*  
Rs.

- |   |     |
|---|-----|
| 1. (a) All types of fishing operations with multi-day boats over 32 feet in length with inboard engines with one type of fishing gear on board. | 500 |
| (b) For each additional type of fishing gear on board   | 100 |



2.	(a) All types of fishing operations with boats up to 32 feet within length with inboard engines with one type of fishing gear on board.	400
	(b) For each additional type of fishing gear on board.	
3.	(a) All types of fishing operations with boats / traditional craft with outboard engines with one type of fishing gear on board.	200
	(b) Each additional type of fishing gear on board.	50
4.	Fishing operations with beach-seine (madel) craft and nets.	300
5.	(a) Trawl fishing operations with traditional non-motorised craft except beach-seine craft.	200
	(b) Other fishing operations excluding trawling with traditional non motorised craft except beach-seine craft.	50
6.	Fishing operations with Jakottu, Atholi and other traps in addition to above licence fees.	100
7.	All other types of fishing operations without craft.	25

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## THE FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES ACT, No. 2 OF 1996

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

INDIKA RUPASINGHE GUNAWARDENA,  
 Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development.

Colombo,  
 31st October, 1996.

### Regulations

- These regulations may be cited as the Inland Fisheries Management Regulations of 1996 and shall come into operation on the first day of December, 1996.
- These regulations shall apply to and in relation to all parts of inland waters of Sri Lanka.
- No person shall, except under the authority of a licence issued by the Director or by a licensing officer specially authorized in writing by the Director in that behalf, use or operate any type of fishing gear other than a rod and line for the purpose of taking fish in any part of the Inland Waters described in the Schedule hereto.
- A licence shall not be issued under these regulations for the following types of fishing gear or boats:-
  - Any net of mesh size 85 mm or below;
  - Any surrounding or towing net (such as madel, purse seine, trawl net);
  - Any trammel net;
  - Any net made of monofilament netting material,
  - Any mechanised boat.
- Any person, being the owner of a boat or fishing gear equipment, who wishes to obtain a licence under regulation 3 may make a written application substantially in Form "A" set out in the Schedule hereto, to the Director or a licensing officer specially authorized in writing in that behalf by the Director to receive such applications together with the licensing fee:
  - of Rupees Fifty (Rs. 50.00) in the case of a set of gill nets;
  - of Rupees Twenty-Five (Rs. 25.00) in the case of other fishing gear.



6. on receipt of an application for a licence the Director or the licensing officer may, after such inquiry as he may deem necessary, either issue to the applicant a licence in Form "B" in the Schedule hereto or, refuse to issue a licence and refund the licence fee.

7. Every licence issued under these regulations shall be valid for one year from the date of issue.

8. Every licence may be renewed by the Director or the licensing officer as the case may be, for a further period of one year on payment of a renewal fee -

- (a) of Rupees Fifty (Rs. 50.00) in the case of a set of gill nets;
- (b) of Rupees Twenty-five (Rs. 25.00) in the case of other fishing gear.

9. The Director may from time to time limit the number of licences that may be issued in any area forming part of inland waters brought under these regulations in respect of each type of fishing gear or suspend licences for a specified period having regard to the sustainability of the resources in any area or a particular water body.

10. A licence may be cancelled by the Director -

- (i) where the licensee has contravened any of the provisions of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act, No. 2 of 1996 or any regulations made there under or any condition contained in such licence; or
- (ii) where the Director wishes to act under regulation 9 (in which case the licence fee shall be refunded).

Notice of cancellation shall be sent by registered post to the last known address of the licensee.

11. Where the Director or a licensing officer refuses to issue or renew a licence or cancels a licence under these Regulations such decision shall be communicated to the applicant by registered post. The applicant may appeal against such decision in writing to the Secretary within thirty days from the date of communication of the decision. The appeal shall set out the grounds upon which it is made.

12. The decision of the Secretary on any such appeal under regulation 11 shall be final and conclusive.

13. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires -

- "Director" means the Director of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources;
- "Inland Waters" means any public river, lake, estuary, lagoon, stream, tank, pond, channel and any other public area of fresh or brackish water in Sri Lanka;
- "gill net" means a net set at any depth, surface, mid water or at the bottom layers of waters;
- "Secretary" means the Secretary to the Ministry of the Minister appointed under Article 44 of the Constitution to be in charge of the subject of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development;
- "set of gill nets" means a unit consisting of not more than six gill nets;
- "Surrounding net" means a net set in water covering all sides except the surface of the water,
- "trawl net" means a trawling net having a cone-shaped body and a bag or code end or 'madiya' connected to the apex with or without two wings connected to the other end;
- "trammel net" means a net which is made out of three nets placed one over the other, the middle one having the smaller sized mesh and the other two nets having relatively larger sized mesh.



## SCHEDULE

## Form "A"

APPLICATION FOR ISSUE/RENEWAL OF INLAND FISHERIES MANAGEMENT LICENCE  
(TO BE SUBMITTED IN TRIPLICATE)

This application form is in respect to the operation of a fishing unit in inland waters. Where the fishing unit includes a boat, this form is to be completed by the owner of the boat. Where the fishing unit does not include a boat, this form is to be completed by the owner of the fishing equipment.

## 1. Identity of Applicant :

- (a) Full name of the applicant :——.
- (b) Permanent address of the applicant :——.
- (c) Mailing address of the applicant :——.
- (d) National Identity Card No of the applicant :——.

## 2. Particulars of inland waters where fishing is to be carried out :

- (a) Names of rivers, lakes or other water body :——.
- (b) District (s) where fishing will occur :——.

## 3. Particulars of the fishing gear to be used :

- (a) Type of net (type 1) :——. (type 2) :——. (type 3) :——.
- (b) No. of nets (type 1) :——. (type 2) :——. (type 3) :——.
- (c) Av. Length of nets (type 1) :——. (type 2) :——. (type 3) :——.
- (d) Av. Depth of nets (type 1) :——. (type 2) :——. (type 3) :——.
- (e) Mesh size of nets (type 1) :——. (type 2) :——. (type 3) :——.
- (f) Type of lines (type 1) :——. (type 2) :——. (type 3) :——.
- (g) No. of lines (type 1) :——. (type 2) :——. (type 3) :——.
- (h) Av. Length of lines (type 1) :——. (type 2) :——. (type 3) :——.
- (i) Av. No. of hooks (type 1) :——. (type 2) :——. (type 3) :——.
- (j) Type of other gear (type 1) :——. (type 2) :——. (type 3) :——.
- (k) No. of units of other gear (type 1) :——. (type 2) :——. (type 3) :——.

## 4. Description of the boat to be used in the fishing operations :

- (a) Type of boat :——.
- (b) Length of boat :——.
- (c) Tonnage of boat :——.
- (d) Registration No :——.

## 5. The number of persons who will be employed by the applicant :

- (a) The number of crew (incl. Skipper) to be engaged in the fishing operation :——.
- (b) The number of additional persons to be engaged in curing and connected activities :——.

## 6. Particulars of the landing site (s) :

- (a) Name of the landing site (s) :——.

## 7. Particulars about the use of Wadiyas (as relevant) :

- (a) Number of persons to be housed in Wadiyas :——.
- (b) Name the intended location of the Wadiyas :——.



8. Particulars about the vehicles intended to be used for the transport of fish and other connected activities :

- (a) No. of trucks :\_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) No. of utilities :\_\_\_\_\_.
- (c) No. of tricycles :\_\_\_\_\_.
- (d) No. of bicycles :\_\_\_\_\_.

9. If this is an application for the renewal of a licence, then give the following details :

- (a) Previous Fishing Licence No :\_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) Date of issue :\_\_\_\_\_.
- (c) Date of expiry :\_\_\_\_\_.
- (d) Name of issuing officer :\_\_\_\_\_.
- (e) Designation of issuing officer :\_\_\_\_\_.
- (f) District of issuing officer :\_\_\_\_\_.

I certify that the foregoing is a true statement of facts to the best of my knowledge. If successful, I undertake to abide by the fisheries regulations and the conditions of the licence.

Date :\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the applicant.

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**Comments by the Fisheries Inspector / Field Officer :\_\_\_\_\_.**

Name :\_\_\_\_\_  
 Designation :\_\_\_\_\_  
 Area :\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date :\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of officer.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE DISTRICT/DISTRICT FISHERIES EXTENSION OFFICER

I recommend that the applicant \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ be granted/not granted a licence to engage in the fishing operations as described, subject to the following conditions :-

If licence not recommended, reasons are :\_\_\_\_\_.

Name :\_\_\_\_\_  
 Designation :\_\_\_\_\_  
 District :\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date :\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of officer.



9. Environment Protection Licence No. (Under Part 4 (a) of the National Environment Act):\_\_\_\_\_.
10. Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) initial Environment Examination (IEE) approval if applicable (under part 4 (c) of the National Environment Act):\_\_\_\_\_.
11. Approval, of the Coast Conservation Department if applicable:\_\_\_\_\_.
12. Approval from relevant local authority:\_\_\_\_\_.
13. Plan for monitoring the project:\_\_\_\_\_.
14. Expansion of the enterprise:\_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby certify that the particulars furnished by me in this application are true and correct. I am aware that if any particulars herein are found to be false or incorrect, my application will be refused and the licence if issued will be cancelled.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Licence application No.:\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date:\_\_\_\_\_.

1. Reference plans, reports and other documents received:\_\_\_\_\_.
2. Details of any additional information requested:\_\_\_\_\_.
3. If licence is granted:
  - (i) No. of licence:\_\_\_\_\_.
  - (ii) Date of licence:\_\_\_\_\_.
  - (iii) Validity period From \_\_\_\_\_To:\_\_\_\_\_.

4. Conditions attached (if any)
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (iii) \_\_\_\_\_.

5. If the licence is refused reasons for refusal to grant licence:\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature and designation of the Licensing Officer.

Date:\_\_\_\_\_.

**FORM "B"**

[Regulation 7].

**AQUACULTURE MANAGEMENT LICENCE**

1. M/s \_\_\_\_\_ of (address) is hereby authorized to set up and operate a \_\_\_\_\_ of extent \_\_\_\_\_ capacity situated at \_\_\_\_\_ within the area of authority of the Municipal Council / Urban Council / Paradeshiya Sabha / \_\_\_\_\_ in accordance with the conditions of this licence.
2. This licence is issued under the Aquaculture Management Regulations of 1996.



3. This licence shall be valid from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ unless it is earlier cancelled or suspended.

4. This licence is subject to the general terms and conditions stated hereunder and to the additional terms and conditions stated herein.

**Conditions:**

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
- (iii) \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

1. The licence shall be valid for a period of 1 year from the date of issue. An application for renewal of the licence may be made at least one month prior to the date of expiry of the licence.

2. The holder of the licence shall permit the Director or any other officer authorised in writing by him at any reasonable hour to enter the premises in respect of which the licence is issued to examine, and inspect any equipment or the facility, or to take samples of fish, etc., or to take photographs.

3. The holder of the licence shall comply with any requirement communicated from time to time by the Director in regard to the submission of quarterly reports.

4. The licence is valid only for the type and nature of the aquaculture enterprise as stated in the application for the grant or renewal of licence.

5. No alteration or extension of the enterprise shall be made without prior approval of the licensing officer.

6. Contravention of any condition of the licence is an offence punishable under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Director / Licensing Officer.

Date:\_\_\_\_\_.

**FORM "C"**

[Regulations 14 and 15].

**APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LICENCE**

1. Name and location of the farm:\_\_\_\_\_.

2. Name and address of the applicant:\_\_\_\_\_.

3. Previous licence:

(i) Issued on:\_\_\_\_\_.

(ii) Valid until:\_\_\_\_\_.

4. Declaration of previous licensee in the case of change of ownership: Proposed changes/alterations/expansion of the enterprise:  
 \_\_\_\_\_.

5. Details of monitoring reports submitted to the Director:\_\_\_\_\_.

6. Any other additional information:\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of the Applicant.

Date:\_\_\_\_\_.



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1. Was licence renewed:\_\_\_\_\_.

2. If renewed:

(i) No. of licence:\_\_\_\_\_.

(ii) Date of licence:\_\_\_\_\_.

(iii) Validity period:\_\_\_\_\_.

(iv) Date of expiry:\_\_\_\_\_.

(v) Conditions attached if any:\_\_\_\_\_.

3. If renewal of licence is refused reasons for refusal:\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Director of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources.

Date:\_\_\_\_\_.

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