

Blue Swimming Crab Bank: Community Struggle for Sustainability



OUTLINE



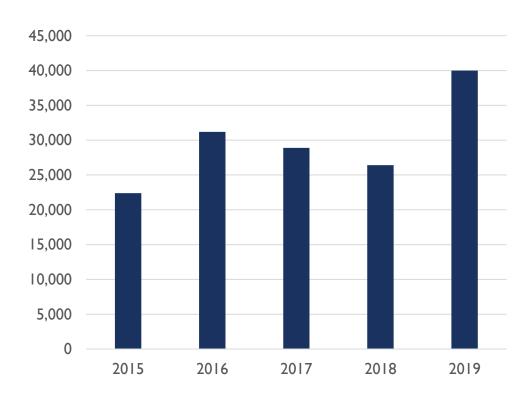
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. THE IMPORTANCE OF THE BLUE SWIMMING CRAB

- The Thai BSC fishery is in the Gulf of Thailand and Andaman sea or in the Eastern part of Thailand such as Chanthaburi, Chonburi, Trat, and Southern parts of Thailand such as Surat Thani, Phuket, Nakhon Si Thammarat.
- The number of BSC decreases because of the increase of demand in both fresh and processed products with high domestic and international market demands due to good taste and texture.



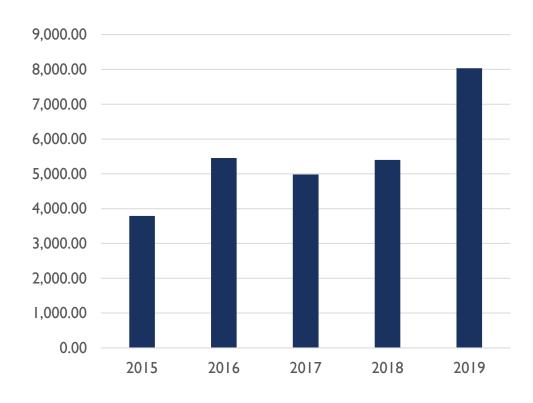
Tons



BSC Fishery in 2015 - 2019

• From the production by species for whole marine fishery (including coastal culture) of Thailand during 2015 - 2019, BSC increased from 22,400 tons in 2015 to 31,200 in 2016, 28,900 in 2017, 26,400 in 2018, and 40,000 in 2019.

Million Baht



Value of BSC in 2015 - 2019

• The value by species for whole marine fishery (including coastal culture) of Thailand during 2015 – 2019, BSC increased from 3,793.0 million baht in 2015 to 5,453.1 in 2016, 4,980.2 in 2017, 5,398.4 in 2018, and 8,034.2 in 2019













Effects from High Consumption

Population of BSC decreases

Size of BSC is getting smaller

Income of villager decreases



Fishermen have to do fishery further than in the past time

Fishermen have to stay far away from family

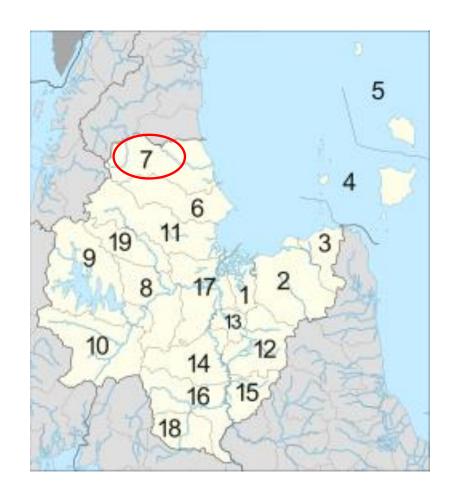
Villager family expenses increases



The community leader at Somboon Beach thought about blue swimming crab bank.

I. THE BLUE SWIMMING CRAB BANK AT SOMBOON BEACH, SURAT THANI PROVINCE (Southern Part of Thailand)







The community leader reads the book about BSC bank.



The community leader contacts a lecturer in the local university to help.



The community leader groups community members to build up BSC bank. The university lecturer contacted a network to build up BSC bank.





BSC Bank at Somboon Beach, Surat Thani Province.





Learning Resources at Learning Center, Somboon Beach, Surat Thani Province.



Fisherman ejected crab eggs from their shells.



Crab larvae that were released back to the sea.





The activity releasing crab larvae to the sea.







Fish houses that are habitats of baby crabs, baby fish and baby shellfish.

Obstacles

Bring to

- Not enough money to buy the female crab holds the fertilized eggs.
- High expenses of taking care of crab larvae such as electricity bill, water bill,
- etc.

 Women in the community build up Community Enterprise







Groups of women who run community enterprise to raise money for family and support BSC Bank.









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Products of Somboon Beach Community.

Benefit from Community Enterprise

Income for household like electricity bill, water bill

Relax with their friends

Happiness when cooking.



The pride for women having their own income

Supporting the projects of BSC bank

Gaining higher income for community members due to selling raw materials such as lemongrass for doing chili paste

III. THE BLUE SWIMMING CRAB BANK AND SDGS



SDG Localization' during 25-27 July 2023, organized by IHPP, SDG Move with TSRI and partners.

The forum that Somboon Community has to share BSC bank case study.





Thailand Sustainable Development Forum organized by

- International Health Policy Program, Thailand
- SDG Move (A research center under the Faculty of Economics, Thammasat University, and Thailand Science Research and Innovation
- partners.

SUSTAINABLE GALS





































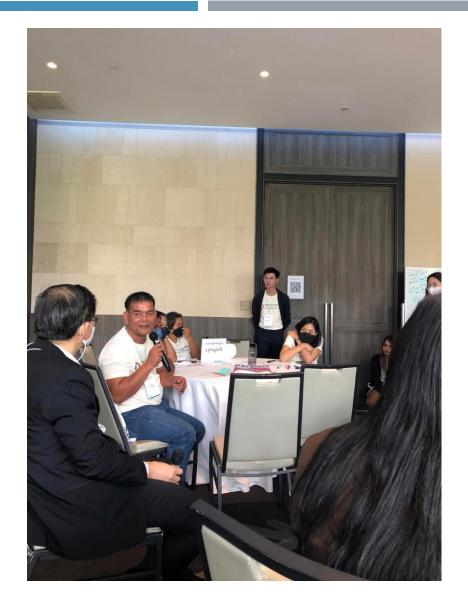


The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), also known as the Global Goals, were adopted by the United Nations in 2015 as a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure that by 2030 all people enjoy peace and prosperity.

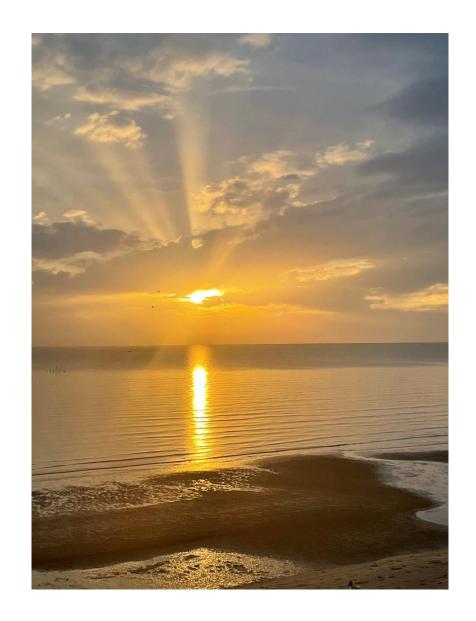
The 17 SDGs are integrated—they recognize that action in one area will affect outcomes to others, and that development must balance social, economic and environmental sustainability.







During 25-27 July 2023, IHPP, SDG Move with TSRI and partners organized 'SDG Localization' activity, that scholars used SDGs mapping to encourage community people to map BSC Bank with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).







Lesson Learned and SDGs mapping activities.





SDG I No Poverty	Community people can earn money for living from fishery and enterprise.
SDG 2 Zero Hunger	Community people have enough food to consume.
SDG 4 Quality Education	There is 'BSC Bank Learning Center' for community members and interested people.
SDG 8 Decent Work and Economic Growth	Community and country have income from BSC which is one of the economic aquatic species.
SDG 12 Responsible Consumption and Production	People consume suitable size of BSC and conserve natural resources.
SDG 14 Life Below Water	BSC Bank can restore the natural resources in the sea.
SDG 17 Partnership for the Goals	There are partnerships that work together in BSC Bank project.

V. FUTURE OF SOMBOON BEACH COMMUNITY

The community members hope that in the future, BSC Bank, Somboon Beach will have 'Sea People School' or 'Fisherman School' that maintains valued knowledge about local fishing and encourages a new generation to inherit the local wisdom and restore the natural resources for sustainability.



Examples of the knowledge;

- ✓ Stars as a navigation
- ✓ Local fisheries
- ✓ Local fishing tools
- √ Fisherman tradition
- ✓ Seafood preservation
- √ Local food menu
- ✓ etc.









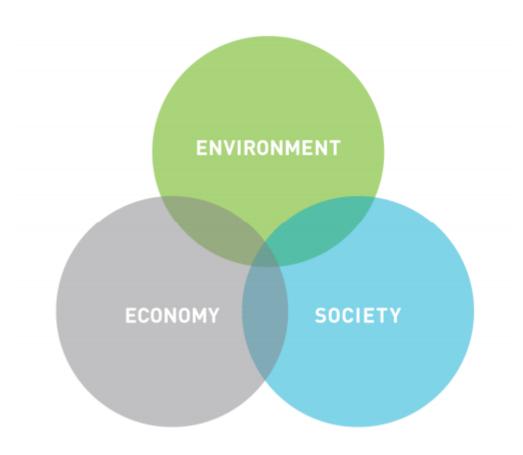












- ✓ Integrate to ESD course
- ✓ Story telling song
- ✓ Research
- ✓ etc.

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