



National Aquaculture Development Plan (NADP)

What is the NADP?

The National Aquaculture Development Plan is a strategic, action-oriented and forward-looking national plan that aims to foster sustainable development of the aquaculture sector in Myanmar.

Why is the NADP important?

Myanmar is located in a rising global fish demand zone for both processing and final consumption and has relatively rich land, water, and coastal resources, as well as a diversity of agro-climatic conditions. The NADP will focus on upgrading the entire value-chain through quality infrastructure, as well as linking global markets and local service corridors. In turn, this will coincide with a shift in the Myanmar aquaculture sector from a supply-driven to a market-driven outlook. The NADP will adhere to key principles of advocating for equitable social development, sustainable economic development, as well as ecological health and biodiversity. Through these social development goals, the people of Myanmar will benefit from sector-led growth, as well as food and nutrition security.

How is the NADP being developed?

The Centre for Economic and Social Development (CESD) undertook several rounds of independent consultations with the Department of Fisheries (DOF), Myanmar Sustainable Aquaculture Programme (MYSAP) and its relevant partners. The CESD conducted desk reviews of other aquaculture strategies from neighbouring countries as well as rapid assessments across the country in order to gather relevant inputs across the entire aquaculture value chain. The final stage of the process are state and regional consultations, which include Mandalay, Mawlamyine, Taunggyi and Yangon. The objective of these consultations is to gather vital feedback from key stakeholders from different states and regions to ensure that as many inputs as possible are heard during the development of the NADP.

What is the CESD's role in the NADP?

The Centre for Economic and Social Development (CESD) is currently drafting the NADP under the auspices of The Myanmar Sustainable Aquaculture Programme (MYSAP) steering committee, chaired by H.E U Hla Kyaw, Deputy Minister of The Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation (MOALI), with members representing various relevant ministries. CESD is also represented in the MYSAP steering committee. The drafting process is undertaken in collaboration with DOF, MOALI, and MYSAP.

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