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# Our Story from the Field

This our news from the field reported directly by APRI Field Support at the blue swimming crab data collection around Indonesia



## Fishermen Repairing Boats and Miniplants Off Due to Construction in Lampung

September 5, 2024. The most important fishing equipment is a ship or boat. on September 5 2024 fishermen from Mr Eko currently repairing the damaged ship at the rear of the ship. repair it in preparation for when crab season arrives. Repairs are not just the rear part, all parts of the ship are checked and repaired if anything is damaged. Ship repair is one of the measures to prevent accidents when sailing or at sea.

Mr. Haflin's miniplant is temporarily closed due to construction for a better place, considering that the fishermen's catch is not too much so this activity can be carried out. **(Gamma Z.)**



## Some Crab Fishermen have Switched to Catching Squid in Cirebon

September 2, 2024. To meet their needs and maximize operational capital, some crab fishermen who go to sea choose to temporarily switch to catching squid. Apart from being abundant, squid can be used as food for the family and can also be used as fishing bait.

Fishermen in Bondet Cirebon generally use gill nets so that squid which usually become NTS can now be used by fishermen to take and sell.. **(Meitha P.)**



## Seagrass and Coral Transplantation and Mangrove Planting at Jambore Festival in Rembang

On 14 – 15 September 2024 in Rembang Regency, precisely in Pasar Banggi Village, mangrove planting, coral reef transplantation and mangrove planting activities were held by the Rembang youth organization or the environmental care community "Rembang Bermobil". This activity was facilitated by the Ministry of the Environment and was attended by several schools in Rembang Regency. The aim of this activity is to introduce the importance of keeping the environment green and sustainable to school students as the nation's next generation. The environment that needs to be protected is not only on land, but plants or biota in the sea must also be protected. On the first day, there was the opening of the activity which was resourced by the chairman of Rembang Mobil and the environmental service. Next, 400 api-api type trees were planted by school students around the coast of Pasar Banggi Village (**Kamal M.**).



## Capture the Moment of Women Pickers Crabs in the Mengare - Gresik



Fast and precise handling of the crab production process is an important factor that must be considered because it will affect the quality of crab meat. The freshness and condition of the crab determines the selling value, the fresher and better the condition, the more expensive the selling price will be. Likewise, the freshness of the crab depends on how it is handled, whether it comes from the fisherman or has reached the crab meat peeling place or what is usually called a miniplant. The quality of crab meat plays an important role because the quality of crab meat must meet the criteria and quality standards set by the company.

Mrs Hj. Solihah, the owner of miniplant Mengare, located on Mengare Island, Bungah District, Gresik Regency, always ensures crab meat quality by overseeing the entire process, from receiving the crabs from fishermen to boiling and peeling them. Agus, a miniplant employee responsible for boiling the crabs, emphasizes the importance of the crabs' freshness and condition upon arrival, as these factors directly affect the meat quality; the precise boiling time is also a concern to ensure optimal results. Enforcing standards, such as only catching crabs larger than 10 cm, could maintain the crab's sustainability and high-grade meat quality.. **(Pahad M.)**



## Benefits of 4.5 Inch Nets for Fishermen in Pamekasan

On September 2 2024, Field Staff conducted an interview with one of the net fishermen (Mr. Sarkawi) as the head of the KUB Snapper group. Mr Sarkawi said that he often used 3.5-4 inch nets before there was a 4.5 inch net program from the Indonesian Crab Management Association (APRI). Since the 4.5 inch net program has been introduced, he feels comfortable with the 4.5 inch net fishing gear, because according to him the 4.5 inch net is one of the most environmentally friendly fishing gear, which has been proven that small crabs can escape. so that small crabs are not caught. Apart from that, the by-catch obtained in 4.5 inch nets is very small so it can shorten the fishermen's time while working. The experience of the program implemented by APRI has inspired fishermen to use 4.5 inch nets.

The commitment made by Mr. Sarkawi and other fishermen groups in using 4.5 inch nets obtained from APRI deserves to be appreciated with good maintenance **(Lailatul Q.)**



## APRI Field Support doing Mangrove Observation in Muna District Southeast Sulawesi

September 20, 2024. as a field support in Muna. Mr. Cardin doing a mapping area potential for mangrove. This activity was carried out to fulfill data collection needs and also in the future if an activity program related to mangrove ecosystem habitat will be implemented.

Mangroves have an important role for coastal communities as tourist attractions and as preventing abrasion. Apart from that, parts of the mangrove can also be processed as an alternative income for coastal communities. On the other hand, mangrove habitats are also rich in other ecosystems for nursery grounds or just shelter.

Mangrove in the South Sulawesi area are quite dense and abundant, but as time goes by, the mangroves are starting to decrease due to the large number of developments that are consuming the mangrove areas in the South Sulawesi area. However, many people in Sulawesi, through local environmental organizations, also care about this (**M. Cardin**)



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## The Tide Brings Good Fortune to Fishermans in Batubara - North Sumatera

September 10, 2024. Dahar Selebar is a village located in Talawi sub-district, Batu Bara district. The number of people who work as fishermen reaches 15% of the entire village community in Dahar Selebar. One of the catches of fishermen in Dahar village is crab. Crab fishermen in the village of Dahar Selebar work during high tide, whereas during low tide some of them do not go to sea and some go to sea to catch fish.

According to crab fishermen, during high tide is the right time to get lots of crab, whereas during dead tide they can catch crab, but the costs they incur are not commensurate with what they get so they experience losses.

Like the crab fishermen in MP Mr. Irun, who only go to sea at high tide. This has an impact on the income of crab fishermen because the crab fishermen in MP Mr. Irun do not have boats so Mr. Irun facilitates boats for them to look for crab. Fishermen who are facilitated by the ship are obliged to sell their catch to Mr. Irun.

Crab fishermen try to find and catch as many crabs as possible to get a large salary so that they can support their families when the tide is dead. (**A. Sitorus.**)



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