

CONSERVATION OF RARE, THREATENED AND ENDANGERED FISHERY SPECIES

BFAR FISHERIES ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 208, s. 2001, May 17, 2001

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Pursuant to Sections 11 and 97 of R.A. No. 8550, this Order on the conservation of rare, threatened and endangered fishery/aquatic species is hereby issued for the information and guidance of all concerned:

SECTION 1. Definition. — As used in this Order, the following terms shall be construed as:

- Rare — Fishery/aquatic resources with small world populations that are not endangered or vulnerable at present.
- Threatened — A general term which may be used to describe a fishery or aquatic species the population of which is endangered, vulnerable or rare.
- Endangered — refers to the species, subspecies, including the eggs, offspring, parts and derivatives of plants and animals listed in the CITES Appendices.
- CITES — The acronym for the Convention on the International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora.
- CITES Appendices — refer to Appendix I, II and III of the Convention which are lists of species of plants and animals endangered by trade.

SEC. 2. Prohibition. — It shall be unlawful for any person, natural or juridical, to take or catch or cause to be taken or caught the following fishery/aquatic species:

A. RARE SPECIES

Scientific Name

English Name

Bolma girgyllus

Girgyllus star shell

Clypeomorus aduncus

bent cerith

Recluzea lutea

recluzia snail

Separatista blainvilliana

true separatista

Malluvium lissus

deep sea cap

Strombus thersites

thersite stromb

Varicospira crispate

network beak shell

Tibia martini

Martini's tibia

C. childreni

children's cowrie

C. beckii

Beck's cowrie

C. guttata

great spotted cowrie

C. porteri

porter's cowrie

C. teramachii

Teramachi's cowrie

C. martini

Martini's cowrie

C. saulae

Saul's cowrie

C. katsuae

Katsue's cowrie

C. leucodon

white toothed cowrie

C. aurantium

golden cowrie

C. valentia

Prince cowrie

Phenacovolva dancei

dance volva

Cypraeacassis rufa

bullmouth helmet

Phalium coronadoi wyvillei

Wyville's bonnet

P. glabratum glabratum

smooth bonnet

Morum kurzi

Kurzi's morum

M. grande

giant morum

M. watsoni

Watson's morum

2. Bivalves:

Amusium oblitteratum

smudged moon scallop

Eufistulana mumia

club-shaped boring clam

B. THREATENED SPECIES

1. Gastropods

Scientific Name

English Name

Local Name

Turbo marmoratus

green snail

laong, bulatok

Trochus niloticus

smooth top shell

samong; simong; tuwad

Barnea manilensis

angel wing shell

diwal

2. Crabs

Birgus latro

coconut crab

tatus, umang, alimangong lupa

C. ENDANGERED SPECIES

1. Whales and dolphins

Scientific Name

English Name

Local Name

Stenella longirostris

spinner dolphin

lumba-lumba

Stenella attenuata

Pantropical spotted dolphin

lumba-lumba; balakiki

Stenella coeruleoalba

striped dolphin

lumba-lumba

Lagenodelphis hosei

Fraser's dolphin

mayahon

Tursiops truncatus

long-snouted bottle-nose dolphin

lumba-lumba; lumod

Grampus griseus

Risso's dolphin

lumba-lumba, kabang

Peponocephala electra

melon-headed whale

lumod

Feresa attenuata

pygmy killer whale

lumod

Globicephala macrorhynchus

short-finned pilot whale

pakatang-ambuhatan

Pseudorca crassidens

false killer whale

balyena

Orcinus orca

killer whale

balyena

Steno bredanensis

rough toothed dolphin

lumba-lumba

Kogia breviceps

pygmy sperm whale

balyena

Kogia simus

dwarf sperm whale

balyena

Mesoplodon densirostris

Blainville's beaked whale

balyena

Ziphius cavirostris

Cuvier's beaked whale

balyena

Physeter macrocephalus

sperm whale

balyena

Megaptera novaeangliae

humpback whale

balyena

Balaenoptera edeni

Bryde's whale

balyena, bongkaras

Balaenoptera physalus

fin whale

balyena

2. Clams:

Tridacna gigas

true giant clam

taklobo

T. derasa

smooth giant clam

taklobo

T. squamosa

fluted/scaly giant clam

hagdan-hagdan

T. maxima

elongated giant clam

manlet, manlot

T. crocea

boring/crocus clam

let-let

Hippopus hippopus

strawberry/horse hoof clam

kukong kabayo

H. porcellanus

china/porcelain clam

kukong kabayo

3. Sea Snakes

Cerberus rhynchops

dogfaced water snake

kalabukab

SEC. 3. Penalty. — Violation of this Order shall hold the offender liable to the penalty of imprisonment from twelve years to twenty years or a fine of one hundred and twenty thousand pesos, or both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court, including forfeiture of the catch subject of the offense and cancellation of his fishing permit, if applicable.

SEC. 4. Repeal. — All orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. Effectivity. — This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette and/or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation and fifteen (15) days after its registration with the Office of the National Administrative Register.

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