

Suriname corvina and acoupa weakfish - driftnet and trawl FIP Progress Update

Updated in May 2026

Results/FIP Stage	Indicator of Success	Specific Details	Date Achieved	Entities in charge	Evidence
FIP Development (Stage 1)	Assessment of the fishery Suriname corvina and acoupa weak fish driftnet's environmental performance	MSC pre-assessment	March 2020	CeDePesca	MSC Pre-assessment
FIP launch (Stage 2)	Participants and work plan finalized and made public.	Framework Agreement launching the FIP and setting guidelines	October 2020	Sea Delight Deep Sea Atlantic Caribbean Sea Foods Marisa Fisheries Omicron Seafood CeDePesca	FIP Framework Agreement
FIP Implementation (Stage 3)	Workplan implemented and progress tracked.	The Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries (Ministry of LVV) continued holding meetings with the artisanal and industrial fishing sectors to discuss the draft of the new Fisheries Management Plan (FMP) for the period 2021-2025.	February 2021	Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries (Ministry of LVV)	Declaration on the adoption of the FMP 2021-2025
		Report on training Fisheries Information System for Suriname (Calipseo v.2)	February 2021	REBYC-II LAC Project – FAOSR LVV	FAO-MinLVV (Feb 2021) Training Report Fisheries Information System for Suriname
		Suriname's Fisheries Management Plan for the period 2021-2025 (in Dutch), and a machine generated English translation.	March 2021	Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries (Ministry of LVV)	Fisheries Management Plan for Suriname 2021 – 2025
		FIP Presentation - Action Plan Suriname corvina and acoupa weakfish driftnet and trawling FIP	March 2021	CeDePesca	CeDePesca (2021 Mar 30) FIP presentation
		News report in FAO website regarding the validation of Suriname's Fisheries Management Plan.	April 2021	FAO	MediaReport_FAO (2021 Apr 07) Suriname's national Fisheries Management Plan validated by stakeholders
		FIP Progress: Fishery Improvement Program for Suriname corvina and acoupa weakfish driftnet and trawling	June 2021	CeDePesca	CeDePesca (2021 June 29) FIP presentation

FIP Implementation (Stage 3) (CONTINUED)	Workplan implemented and progress tracked. (CONTINUED)	Suriname FISMIS: Implementing sample-based surveys to obtain catch estimates. using Calipseo v.2	October 2021		Working Document Sample based survey & Calipseo - Suriname_07102021
		Implementation of centralized Fisheries Information and Monitoring System (FISMIS) for monitoring of industrial and small-scale fisheries in Suriname	December 2021	FAO LVV CeDePesca	Suriname Calipseo FISMIS implementation report December 2021
Improvements in Fishing Practices and Fishery Management (Stage 4)	Verifiable improvement in policy/management and fishing practices	Increase to PI 3.1.1, 3.1.2 & 3.1.3; the 2021-2025 FMP was adopted March 2021	March 2022	LVV	Fisheries Management Plan for Suriname 2021 – 2025
		Agenda and reports of the Project Preparation Grant Inception Workshops held by FAO for the REBYC-III CLME+ project and the EAF4SG project on 28 and 29 April 2022, respectively.	April 2022	FAO	REBYC-III-CLME+ PPG Inception Workshop AGENDA_28Apr2022 REBYC-III CLME+ PPG Inception Workshop (28 Apr 2022) REPORT EAF4SG PPG Inception Workshop AGENDA_29Apr2022 EAF4SG PPG Inception Workshop (29 Apr 2022) REPORT
		Paramaribo, Suriname Report of a training workshop in 9 – 13 May 2022 Paramaribo, Suriname 9 – 13 May 2022 Paramaribo, Suriname Fisheries Port Inspection	May 2022	LVV FAO IDB	Report Suriname Port Inspection Training May 2022
		Presentation on fisheries data collection for Suriname in the context of a FAO Regional Workshop on Fisheries Data Collection and Statistics held on 12-13 July 2022.	July 2022	Ministry of LVV CeDePesca	Country presentation Suriname fisheries data collection
		National Workshop on the implementation of the Regional Action Plan for the Northwest Atlantic Leatherback Turtle	May 2022	WWF	Northwest Atlantic Leatherback Regional Action Plan (2022)
		Training Workshop on Port Data Collection for Artisanal Fisheries in Suriname	October 2022	CeDePesca	Training at port data collection artisanal fisheries_oct 2022

Improvements in Fishing Practices and Fishery Management (Stage 4) (CONTINUED)	Verifiable improvement in policy/management and fishing practices (CONTINUED)	Report of the Project Preparation Grant Validation Workshop held by FAO for the EAF4SG project	October 2022	FAO	EAF4SG PPG Validation Workshop (06 Oct 2022) REPORT
		Length Data Collection Method used in the Suriname Corvina and Acoupa Weakfish Fisheries Improvement Project	December 2022	CeDePesca	Suriname corvina FIP Length Data Collection Program Methods and preliminary report (July Dec 2022) final
		Progress Report At-port data collection	January 2023	CeDePesca	Progress report (2023 01) At-port data collection
		Report of the Project Preparation Grant Validation Workshop held by FAO for the REBYC-III-CLME+ project on 18 January 2023.	January 2023	FAO	REBYC-III CLME+ PPG Validation Workshop (18 Jan 2023) REPORT
		CMRF Letter of invitation. Regional Data Training Workshop	March 2023	CMRF	CRFM Letter of invitation - GRO-FTP-CRFM Regional Data Training Workshop
		A Preliminary Assessment of the Spawning Potential Ratio of Five Target Species of the Coastal Gillnet Fishery in Guyana and Suriname	May 2023	CeDePesca	Willems <i>et al.</i> (2023) Guyana and Suriname gillnet fishery SPR
		Protocol for processing industrial landing data (in Dutch)	June 2023	CeDePesca, Ministry of LVV	Protocol for processing industrial landing data (in Dutch) 12Jun2023
		Short Training Course	June 2023	UNESCO	CRFM Data training workshop course outline
		Updated onboard catch monitoring form for self-reporting	July 2023	CeDePesca, Ministry of LVV, WWF	Printout Digital Onboard Catch Monitoring Form - self reporting (v20230712)
		At port Data Collection Program Progress Report	August 2023	CeDePesca	Progress report (2023 08) At-port data collection program
		Modern tools for fisheries data collection and data management: Experiences from Suriname	August 2023	SFD CeDePesca FAO	PowerPoint (CRFM 20th Anniv) Modern tools for fisheries data collection
		Digital Landing Form Demersal Trawl v2023 (in Dutch)	October 2023	CeDePesca, Ministry of LVV	Digital Landing Form Demersal Trawl v2023 (in Dutch)
Improvements	Verifiable	Launch of patrols in join approach to Illegal Fishing	November 2023	WWF	WWF-Guianas Press release (2023 Nov 08)

in Fishing Practices and Fishery Management (Stage 4) (CONTINUED)	improvement in policy/management and fishing practices (CONTINUED)				Launch of patrols in joint approach to IUU
		Letter CeDePesca - Suriname Fisheries Department	November 2023	CeDePesca	Letter CeDePesca - Suriname Fisheries Department signed
		The National Action Plan for the reduction of IUU fishing was formally adopted by the government in February 2025	February 2025		NPOA-IUU Suriname
		Shell Corporation provided the Fisheries Department with further equipment for data collection and fisheries monitoring	March 2025	Ministry of LVV Shell Corporation	Ministry of LVV Press Release (20250325) Ministry of LVV Fisheries Department receives support from Shell
		An addendum was added to the Fisheries Management Plan (FMP) 2021-2025, prolonging its validity until an updated version is formally adopted	June 2025	Ministry of LVV	Addendum VMP 2021-2025 1 (in Dutch)
		On-board observer program in the Suriname demersal finfish trawl fishery	June 2025	CeDePesca	Preliminary report
		Meeting with sector representatives (including the FIP partners)	August 2025	Ministry of LVV	Improving implementation of EU catch certificates (original in Dutch)
		SGFWG met and discussed important issues in relation to the management of both FIP fisheries	August 2025	Shrimp and Ground fish Working Group (SGFWG)	National SGFWG Agenda (in Dutch)
		CeDePesca, in alliance with the Fisheries Department, has been actively participating in two regional FAO-GEF funded projects to ensure they are aligned with this FIP objectives		Fisheries Department CeDePesca	EAF4SG Y1 progress report & Y2 work plan SUR
		Fisheries personnel trained in data collection and fish species identification	September 2025	Fisheries Department CeDePesca	Press release
		CeDePesca signed an agreement with WWF Guianas to implement a study on the historical impact of marine fisheries on ETP species	October 2025	CeDePesca WWF Guianas	WWF-CeDePesca Project Agreement public
		Fifth (virtual) meeting of the WECAFC Working Group on	December 2025	CeDePesca	Meeting

		Shrimp and Groundfish in the Northern Brazil-Guianas Shelf			
		Preliminary results on bycatch of marine mammals and marine turtles	December 2025	CeDePesca	Sampling Report
		The FIP has continued to support at-port data collection in both the driftnet and trawl sub-fishery, including the collection of biological (length-frequency) data, catch/effort data and socio-economic data.	May 2026	Fisheries Department	Suriname Fisheries Statistical Report 2024
		Year 2 Progress Report & Year 3 Workplan	January 2026	CeDePesca	Reports link 1 link 2
		Meeting of the ICES/FAO Working Group on Fishing Technology and Fish Behaviour in Australia.	May 2026	CeDePesca	Document