SOMALIA CRYING FOR HELP
TO GET FISHERY DATA COLLECTION

- **DATA COLLECTION & MCS :**

Data collections and monitoring control & surveillance are not existing at the moment, but we are on the process of starting the data collections.

Registration of fishermen has started in Puntland, Somaliland and in Mogadishu and its surrounding regions registration of fishing cooperatives has started. Registration of fishing boats has also started in some areas.

- **CONSTRAINTS :-**

There are various constraints and the major ones are:-

      a) Security.

      b) The long cost line.

      c) Un designated fishing sites.

      d) Lack of skilled & trained fishing data collectors.

      e) Lack of funds.

      f) Lack of Infrastructures.

      g) Fishery policies.

- **CATCH SPECEIES**

Large Pelagic Fish:

Tuna : Yellow fin tuna, long-tail tuna, big-eye tuna.

Mackerel : Skipjack, Spanish Mackerel.

Plenty in central/southern areas, they are mostly caught inshore waters. Total catch before the civil war 50,000-70,000 tons/year.

No correct data available.

- **SMALL PELAGIC FISH**

Dominating ones are oil Sardinella, rainbow sardine, scuds & lesser quantities of anchovies.

Mostly caught at Northeast coast of Somalia, and are considered local stock. 120,000 – 200,000 tons/year.

No correct data available.

Demersal fish (bony fish) Fauna consists of several hundred species and are highest in the coral reef regions from Adale to the Kenyan border.

The main commercial species are: scavengers, groupers, snappers, grunts and sea breams. They make important contributions to the artisanal fisheries.

Accessible stock estimated 85,000 tons/year.

No correct data available.

Lobsters : Variety of spiny lobster of the genus penulirus is found off the entire cost of Somalia. Annual catch of rock lobster 800T/year.

Deep sea lobster 400T/Year.

No correct Data available.

Shrimps: small quantities of penacid shrimps are found in the waters in the southeast coast particulars between the mouth of Jubba river.

Presence of deep sea shrimps has been reported by a Spanish research vessel in 1981.

Lessons to be learned: We expect to learn new technique and ways on how to improve our date collection system and fishing management.

THANK   YOU   ALL.