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Annex: Compliance issues from CoC20.

CPC: Thailand	Responses/clarifications
Has not reported size frequency for coastal fisheries to IOTC Standard, as required by Resolution 15/02. Data partially provided by IOTC standards. Less than 1 fish measured per metric tonne for some species.	The Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division of the Department of Fisheries in Thailand has been conducting data collection on coastal tuna and tuna-like species through accidental sampling from purse seiners at the port on a monthly basis. However, this sampling method has certain limitations. For instance, there may be instances where no purse seiners catch tuna or tuna-like species during the data collection period, or no purse seiners are found at all during that period. Additionally, the monsoon winds in the Andaman Sea coast can prevent fishing vessels from operating throughout the year. Furthermore, the previous measurement of the length of tuna and tuna-like species was conducted solely by one official from the Marine Fisheries Research and Development Division. This limited approach resulted in a small amount of data being collected compared to the total number of purse seiners that catch aquatic animals. Consequently, there is insufficient information on the length of tuna and tuna-like species to fully comply with the requirements of the IOTC conservation and management measures.