

## Indian Ocean tuna and large pelagics - longline (Afrutex)

### Overview

#### FIP Description

Afrutex is an investment holding company with strategic interests in African based fishing operations that markets seafood to a global base of customers. Through its subsidiary companies, Afrutex operates two longline tuna and swordfish operations – (a) one in Port Louis (Mauritius), and the other (b) in Beira (Mozambique). All vessels are now flagged to Mozambique.

#### a) Afrutex Fishing Ltd (Mauritius)

Longline fishing operation based in Port Louis (Mauritius), with commercial quay-side packing and processing facility, and owned fleet of vessels. Fishing in waters of Mauritius, the primary focus is fresh tuna (mainly YFT) and swordfish. The product is distributed fresh by airfreight, as well as processed seafood for retail ready lines, such as tuna, swordfish, dorado and other associated by-catch.

#### b) Pescamoz

Longline fishing company based in the port of Beira (Mozambique). It comprises a processing facility and self-owned fleet of longline vessels. Primary focus is on the export of fresh tuna and swordfish, as well as processing a range of retail lines from tuna, swordfish, and dorado.

### How is this FIP Doing?

#### Current Status:



**Actions Progress** This shows the proportion of actions in the workplan that the FIP has completed.



**Actions Overview** This shows the proportion of actions that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
0%	70%	30%	0%

**Red Indicator Progress** This shows the proportion of actions specifically addressing red indicators that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started. This helps users understand the progress the FIP is making on the biggest challenges in the fishery.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
0%	71%	29%	0%

#### FIP Progress Rating

A - Advanced Progress

#### FIP Objective(s)

- Achieve sustainable stock status' for tuna and swordfish species that is consistent with the Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY) and management systems strengthened to achieve this.
- To improve the availability of accurate data on catches, retained and especially bycatch by strengthening information systems and training.
- To collaborate with other institutions working on tuna fisheries issues in the country, including working together to improve the management and policy towards sustainable fisheries for example Harvest Control Rules.
- Increase observer coverage electronically or in person.
- Promote the adoption by the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) and member countries of precautionary and ecosystem-based management measures and encourage the IOTC to adopt management measures that will reduce fishing mortality.
- Strengthen mahi mahi, ETP and retained species management strategies and reduce bycatch
- Improve governance and decision-making process.
- To achieve a certifiable status by 2025.

#### FIP Type

Comprehensive

#### FIP Stage

Stage 4: Improvements in Fishing Practices or Fishery Management

## Start and Projected End Dates

June, 2019 -

June, 2025

## Species

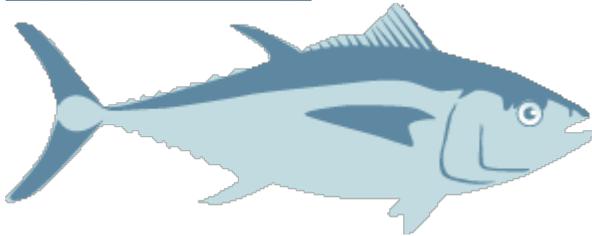
### Common Name

Bigeye Tuna

### Scientific Name

Thunnus obesus

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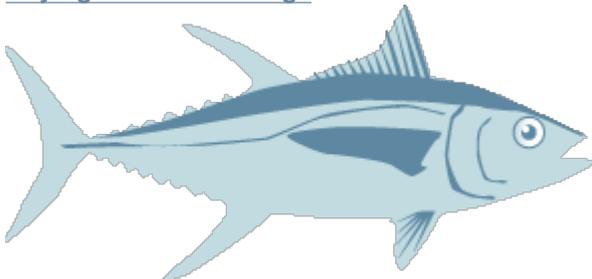
### Common Name

Yellowfin Tuna

### Scientific Name

Thunnus albacares

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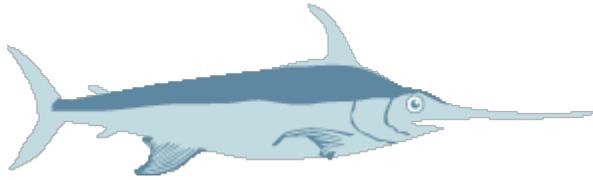
### Common Name

Swordfish

### Scientific Name

Xiphias gladius

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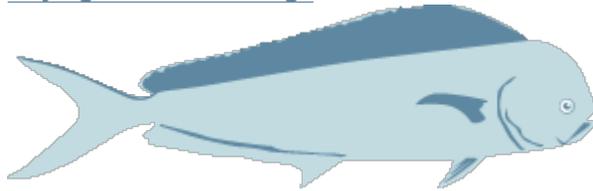
**Common Name**

Mahi-mahi

**Scientific Name**

Coryphaena hippurus

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**Gear Type**

[Longline](#)

**Location**

**FAO Major Fishing Area**

[Area 51 \(Indian Ocean, Western\)](#)

**Exclusive Economic Zones**

**Country Flag of Vessel**

[Mozambique](#)

**Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)**

[IOTC](#)

**Estimated Total FIP Landings**

1365 metric tons

**FIP Leads**

**Organization Name**

Key Traceability

**Organization Type**

Consultant

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