



CONSTRAINTS ANALYSIS OF INLAND FISHERS IN THENI ARRONDISSEMENT, TAMIL NADU

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ABSTRACT

The present study, an attempt has been made to evaluate the constraint including socio-economic, employment and marketing faced by fishers of inland capture fisheries in Theni, Tamil Nadu. The samples were collected by adopting two stages random sampling method through predesigned interview schedule and these were analyzed by Henry Garrett technique. The results showed school dropout was the primary constraints (Garrett score of 51.96%) under social economic, low wage in employment (Garrett score of 52%) underemployment and lack of market cooperative (Garrett score of 51.96%) under marketing constraints. Income of fishers and employment rate could be raised by fisheries promotional activities like seed stocking, adopting culture practices. Marketing constraints can be overcome by cooperative society and organized fish marketing methods. These measures may assist to uphold the economic and social status of inland fishers of this province.

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