

Heavy landings of juvenile threadfin bream at Munambam and Cochin

Large quantities of the threadfin bream *Nemipterus mesoprion* were landed by trawlers at Cochin and Munambam Fisheries Harbours during January–February 2011. The characteristic feature of the landings was the dominance of juveniles in the size range of 60 – 110

mm TL, contributing 70 - 90% of the landings of the species in terms of estimated numbers. A total of about 80 tons of *N. mesoprion* were landed at Munambam Fisheries Harbour on a single day on 18 February 2011. The entire catch which is sold at ₹ 20/- to 40/- per kg is iced, loaded

in trucks and taken to Mangalore for utilization as raw material for surimi production.

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