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At Sassoon docks (new jetty), which is a major cephalopod landing centre in Mumbai, very high landings of *Loligo duvauceli* were observed on 09-06-11. The fishing ground was south of Mumbai in the depth range of 40-50 m. Usually in the month of June, not much trawlers

are operated from Sassoon docks due to the monsoon ban on trawling. Eight trawlers landed squids on this day and about 1.5-2 t was observed in each trawler. A catch of this magnitude in the month of June is very unusual and therefore gains a lot of importance. The

Dorsal mantle length of ranged between 90 mm to 335 mm. The species fetched a price of ₹110 per Kg. at the landing centre.

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