Two new clown fish species bred under captivity at Vizhinjam Research Centre of CMFRI



Pink Skunk clown (A.perideraion) pair with eggs



Clark's anemonefish (A.clarkii) pair with eggs

Two new clown fish species namely Amphiprion perideraion Bleeker, 1855 (Pink Skunk clown) and A. clarkii Bennett, 1830 (Clark's anemonefish) were successfully bred under captivity and are being sold under the ICAR Mega

seed project. A. *perideraion* is considered one of the toughest clown fish to bred under captive conditions. The fecundity ranged from 200 to 250 eggs per clutch in the case of A.*perideraion* and 250 to 300 in the case of A. *clarkii*. The incubation period was seven days for both species. Both these clown fishes have excellent demand in international market.

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