

Genome secrets of Indian oil sardine unearthed

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In a major breakthrough in marine fisheries research, a team of scientists at the ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) has decoded the whole genome of

the Indian oil sardine, a popular food fish.

This is the first time that the genome of a marine fish species from the Indian sub-continent has been decoded, a CMFRI statement said here.

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Gopalakrishnan described this development as a 'milestone' in Indian marine fisheries, saying that the decoded genome will be a valuable resource for understanding the biology, ecology and evolution of the oil sardine.