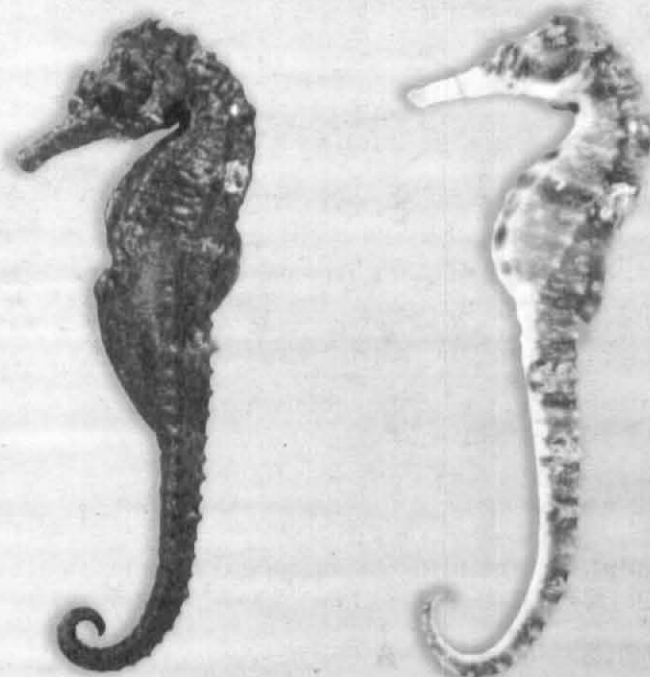




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1012 **Unusual landings of *Lates calcarifer* by shoroseine at Venkatarayapur in Ganjam District, Orrissa**

An unusually large quantity of *Lates calcarifer* was caught in a single shore seine (Peddavalala) at Venkatarayapur on 2-2-2002 around 13.00 to 14.00 hrs, operated at a distance of 1 to 1.5 kms and 6 to 8 mt depth. About 62 *Lates calcarifer*, each weighing 18.00 kg was caught in a single operation. Each specimen realised Rs.2,500/- and the entire catch was sold for Rs.1,55,000/-. On the same day another shore seine caught 130 fish weighing 3700 kgs of *Lates calcarifer* at the same centre, which

realised Rs.2,99,000/-. It was a rare occurrence in this region. Local fishermen claimed that they used to get only one or two *Lates calcarifer* by hook and lines, gill net (Panduvalla) or shore seine. The local people informed that similar landing of about 90 *Lates calcarifer* was reported from New Boxipeta during 1998.

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