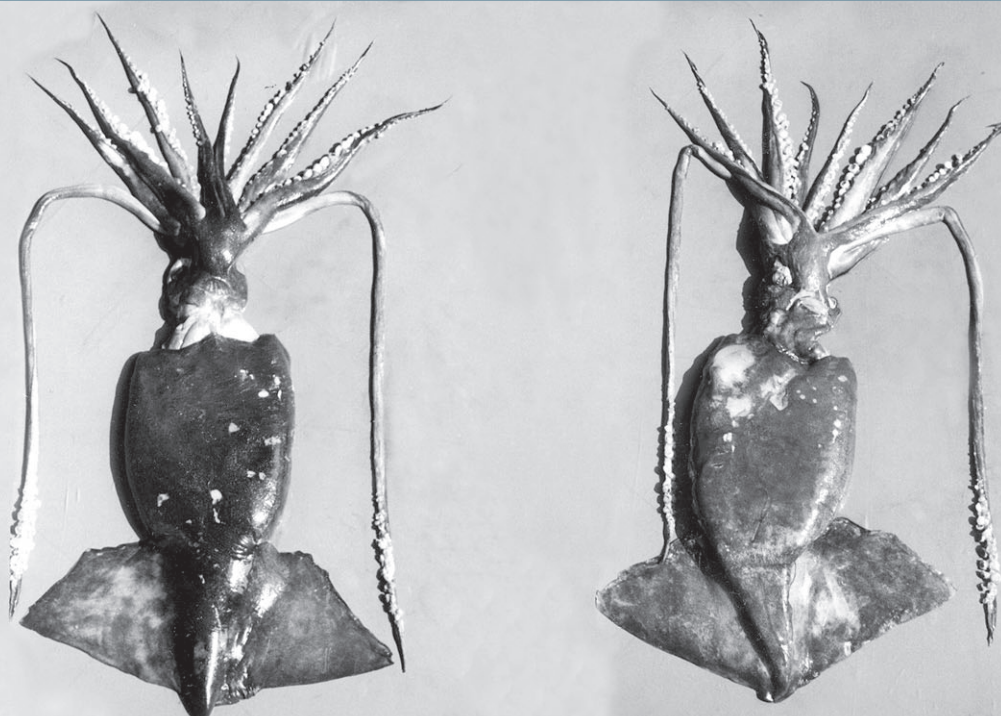




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Unusual heavy landing of white prawn, *Penaeus indicus* by purseseiners at Gangoli Fisheries Harbour, Udupi District, Karnataka

On 28-4-2004 four purseseine units operating at a depth of 18-20 m, along the Gangoli coast of Udupi district of Karnataka captured shoals of *Penaeus indicus* totalling 13,950 kg. The boats individually landed 4000, 3000, 3500 and 3450 kg. They fetched a market price of Rs. 230 per kg. Heavy landing of white prawns of this

magnitude by purse seine units is unusual along this coast. Its length range was 140-150 mm (males) and 165-170 mm (females). The average weight of the shrimp was 25-30 g. Majority of the females were in spent condition.

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