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Unusual landing of *Seriolina nigrofasciata* at New Ferry Wharf, Mumbai

Seriolina nigrofasciata (Ruppell, 1829) is a broadly distributed non-schooling, solitary species in the depth realm of 20 to 150 m. It feeds on demersal fish, cephalopods and prawns.

Stray landing of *Seriolina nigrofasciata* were observed at New Ferry Wharf by trawlers from the later half of February '05 and continued up to the second week of March'05. On 26-2-05 about 300 kg of this fish were landed. The total length of the fish ranged between 30 to 60 cm with the mode at 45 cm. This fish is a very good export commodity and the entire catch was sold to exporters. It is

known as 'butter' because of its extremely soft flesh and is considered a delicacy. It fetched Rs. 70/kg at the landing centre.



Seriolina nigrofasciata

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