

## Unusual Sailfish Caught

A large sized sailfish, *Istiophorus platypterus* measuring 348 cm in total length and weighing 69 kg, was caught in a trawlnet, off Visakhapatnam, at 50 m depth in the morning hours of 27 November. Though small and medium sized sailfishes were landed as incidental catches in hooks and lines operated by catamarans, this large sized sailfish was caught by a small trawler. The specimen landed was then auctioned for Rs. 825. This was reported by Shri. S. V. Seshagiri Rao, Technical Officer (T-5).