

World record sized giant bull shark caught at Chennai coast

A giant sized female bull shark *Carcharhinus leucas* measuring 356 cm in total length with a weight of 320 kg caught by a mechanized gillnet, was landed on 22-6-2005 at Kasimedu Fisheries Harbour, Chennai. The present record of bull shark *C. leucas* is the largest recorded from Indian Ocean as well as the largest bull shark ever recorded in the world. The shark was auctioned at the landing centre for Rs. 32,000/-.



Carcharhinus leucas

Large size bull sharks are caught by the gill nets regularly and the gillnet fishermen get good revenue. (*Madras Research Centre*)