## Heavy landing of juvenile seerfish *Scomberomorus commerson* (Lacepede, 1800) along Chennai coast

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After the fishing ban (15<sup>th</sup> April - 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2011), heavy landings of juvenile seerfish *Scomberomorus commerson* (Lacepede, 1800) was observed along Chennai coast. During the period from April to August 2011, young ones of *S. commerson* were landed continuously by gillnet (*Pannuvalai*). The nets were operated near the shore in 5-10 m depth. The average catch per boat was 15-50 kg daily. The length and weight ranged from 156 to 362 mm and from 25 to 315 g respectively. The fishes were sold for ₹ 30-70/- each.



Size range of seerfish *Scomberomorus commerson* landed along the Cennai coast