Unusual landing of sand eel Bleekeria sp. at Chennai

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About 2 t of the sand eel, *Bleekeria* sp., locally called "aruna," was landed by mechanised trawlers, operated at a depth of 60-80 m, at Chennai Fisheries



Fig.1. Size range of Bleekeria sp. landed at Chennai



Fig. 2. Landings of Bleekeria sp. at Chennai

Harbour on 7th July 2011. The size range of the fishes was 110-144 mm with the dominant mode at 120-124 mm. The fish was sold at the rate of ₹ 40 per kg at the landing centre.