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Success Story



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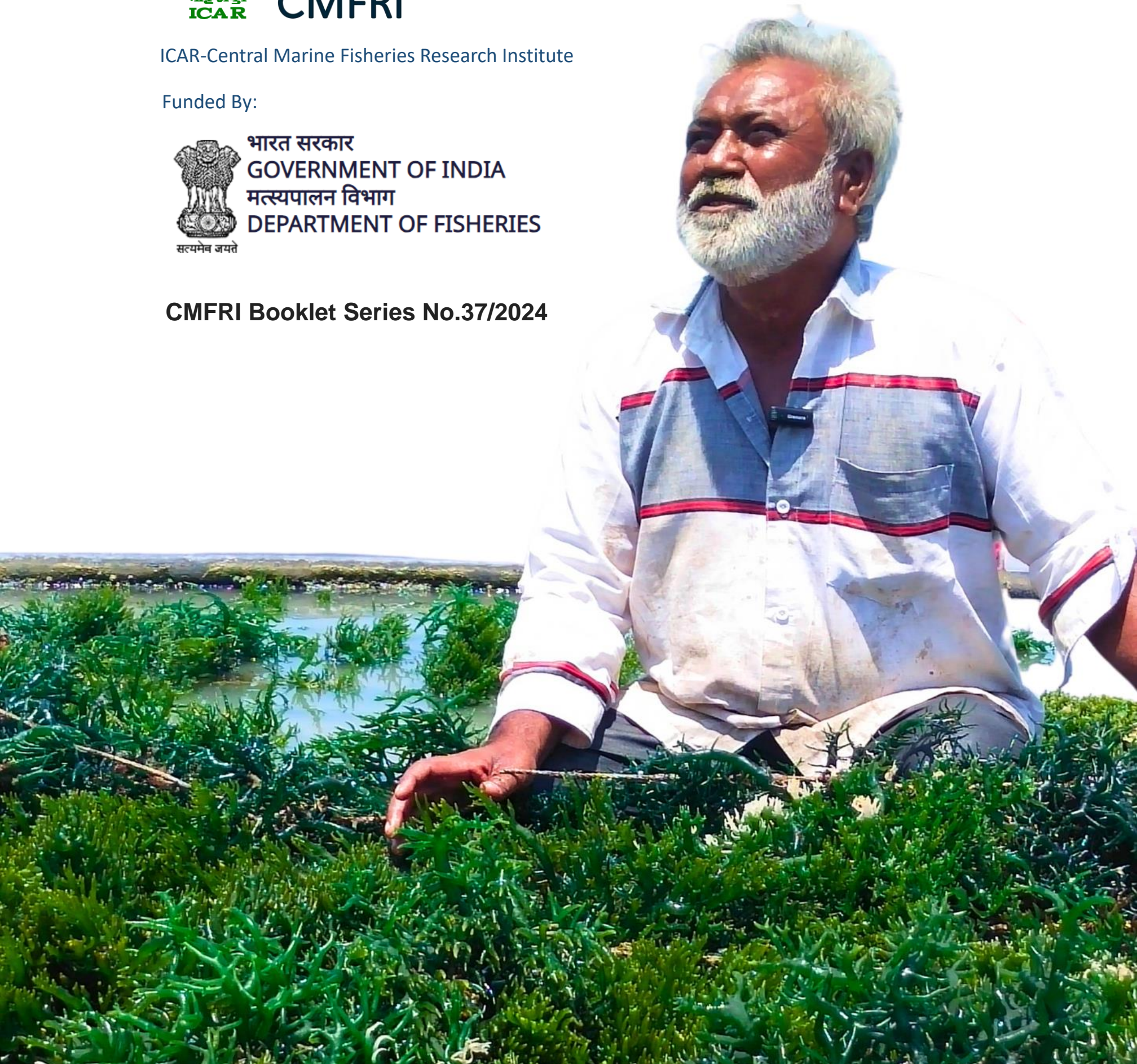
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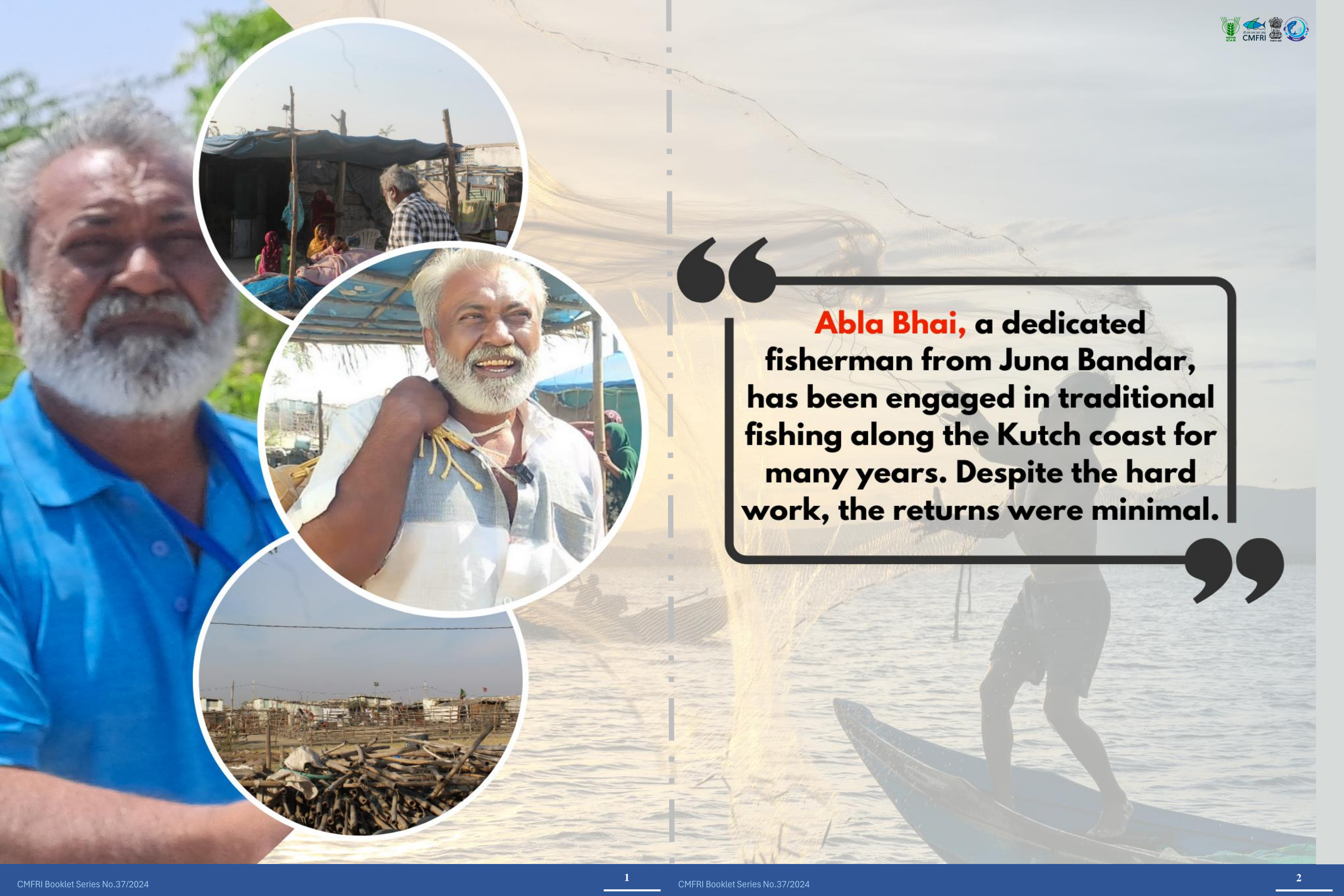
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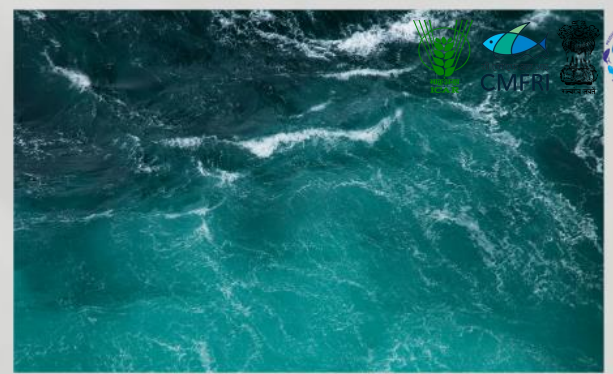
Abla Bhai, a dedicated fisherman from Juna Bandar, has been engaged in traditional fishing along the Kutch coast for many years. Despite the hard work, the returns were minimal.

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In 2014, Abila Bhai ventured into

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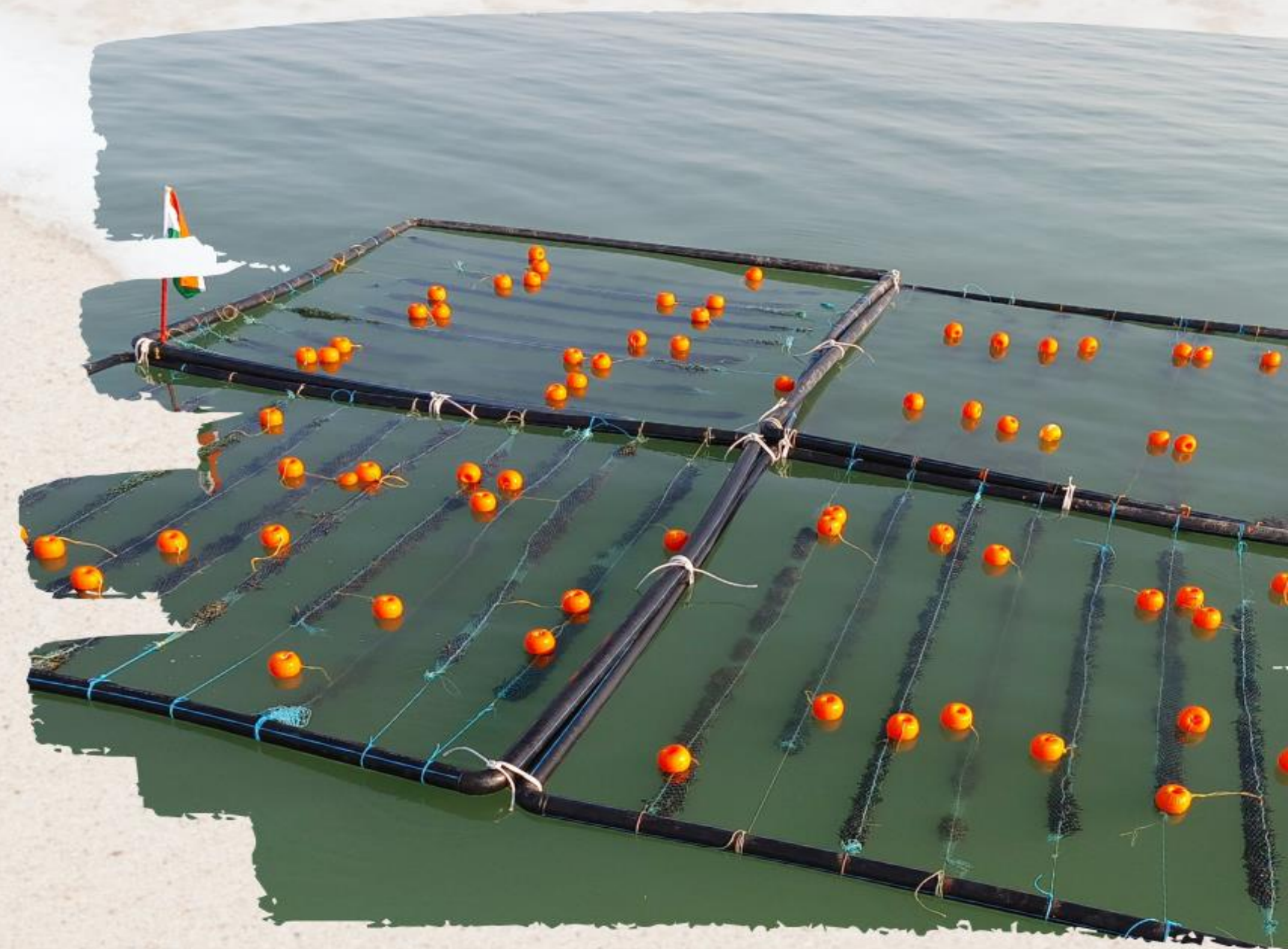
However, rough seas and bamboo rafts hindered his progress





ICAR CMFRI

identified the challenges faced by
local seaweed farmers and
stepped in to help.



To combat the rough sea conditions, **ICAR-CMFRI** developed customized **HDPE** rafts designed for stability and durability

ABLA BHAI STARTED USING THE HDPE RAFTS FOR HIS SEAWEED FARMING ACTIVITIES.....



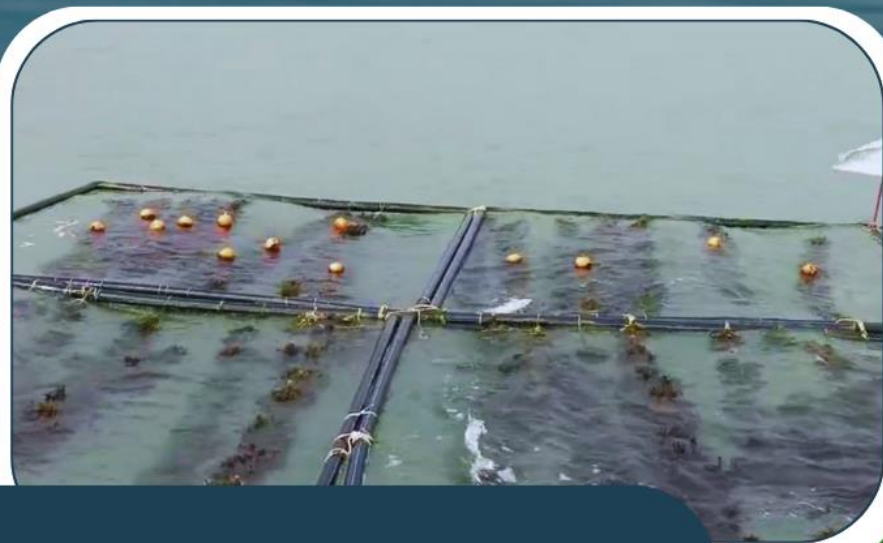
.....AND SOON, THE RESULTS WERE EVIDENT



With the new HDPE rafts, Abla Bhai saw a significant improvement in his seaweed harvests, leading to higher yields and better quality.



The HDPE rafts enabled him to increase his seaweed harvests and the durability of structures.....



Despite the rough sea conditions



Higher earnings from with HDPE rafts



Abla Bhai's journey in seaweed farming has been greatly enriched by the unwavering support and guidance of scientists from ICAR-CMFRI.

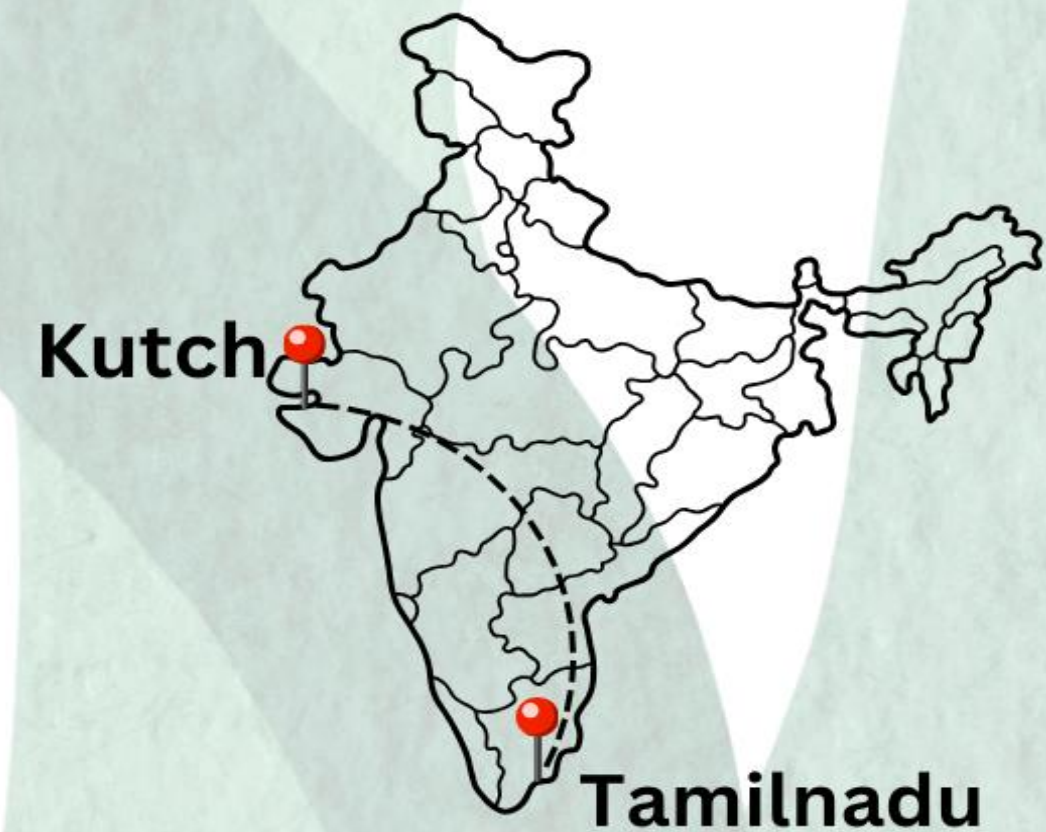




Master Trainer



ABALA BHAI ATTENDED A MASTER TRAINING PROGRAM ORGANISED BY ICAR CMFRI VERAVAL RS TO LEARN ADVANCED SEAWEED FARMING TECHNIQUES



TRAVELED OVER 6000 KM TO ATTEND TRAINING IN TAMIL NADU





Looking Ahead: A Future of Sustainable Growth

From a traditional fisherman to a successful seaweed farmer, Abla Bhai's success is a testament to the power of innovation, perseverance, and community support. His story demonstrates how embracing new techniques and technologies, like the **HDPE rafts**, can lead to significant economic and social benefits.





Inspiring fellow villagers to explore new opportunities.





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My journey in seaweed farming has been noted as life changer. With the support of CMFRI and the use of HDPE rafts, I have not only improved my livelihood but also empowered my community. Together, we are building a sustainable future.

-Abla Bhai

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