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## PROGRESS REPORT ON THE MONITORING OF THE CATCHES OF HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES IN THE PACIFIC OCEAN WATERS OF INDONESIA

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## PORT SAMPLING PROGRAM

Port sampling program have been started since 5 July at two tuna landing centers i.e. Bitung (North Sulawesi) and Kendari (South-East Sulawesi). The activities start was little bit late than agreed in the project proposal due to internal administration matter to be settled in advance. Progress have been achieve as follows:

- Thirteen port samplers or enumerators have been recruited i.e. eight for Bitung and five for Kendari.
- Supervisors to the sampler have been appointed i.e. Mr. Agustinus Anung Widodo for Bitung and Mr. Mahiswara for Kendari.
- The sampling program home base has been settled namely "Tuna Monitoring Station". Bitung Monitoring Station is based in Directorate of Surveillance Office whilst Kendari Monitoring Station is based in Kendari Fishing Port.
- The supervisors have conducted training to enumerators on the species identification, gear identification and sampling system as recommended on the report of the second Eastern Indonesia Tuna Fishery Data Collection Workshop conducted in 29 May 2008.
- Dr. Victor and Budi have approached to the fishing companies, head of fisheries offices, processing plants to obtain their supportive to achieve the EITFD objectives. So far, they are supporting to this project.
- The motorbike for samplers in Bitung has been purchased. However, other facilities such as T-shirts, rain gears and furniture still in the process. Hopefully, all facilities will be settled early next month.

- Samplers, both in Bitung and Kendari have collected the data since 5 July based on the sampling protocol recommended on the EITFDC-2 report. All data will be reviewed data coordinator in Jakarta.
- The quarterly report will submit within September 2008.