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PART 1: INFORMATION ON FISHERIES, RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

THAILAND ANNUAL FISHERY REPORT 2024

DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATIVES

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMISSION

The Commission for the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean

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ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMISSION

PART 1: INFORMATION ON FISHERIES, RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

Purpose: To provide relevant information to the Commission on fishing activities of CCMs and cooperating non-CCMs, including management and compliance issues. The report should include all fishing activities for highly migratory species being undertaken within the Convention Area as required by the Convention and decisions by the Commission.

PART 1: INFORMATION ON FISHERIES, RESEARCH AND STATISTICS (Summary information for the 2024, complementary to data submitted)

Part 1 of the Annual Report is due one-month prior to the annual regular session of the Scientific Committee.

Part 1 of the Annual Report shall include the following, completed box at the front of the report.

Scientific data was provided to the Commission in accordance with the decision relating to the provision of scientific data to the Commission by 30 April 2025	NO
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If no, please indicate the reason(s) and intended actions:

In 2024, Thailand as a cooperating Non-Member, the participatory rights of Thailand in WCPO are limited to the provision of carrier and bunker vessels only, thus, Thailand did not collect any scientific data in WCPFC.

ANNUAL FISHERIES INFORMATION

Essential information

I. Annual Catch and Effort by Primary Species and Gear in the WCPFC Competent Area

As a Cooperating Non-Member, Thailand has participatory rights limited to the provision of carrier and bunker vessels only. In 2024, no Thai fishing vessel operated in the WCPFC Competent Area as usual. For fish transshipment, only Thai carrier vessels were listed in the WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels, but these vessels also did not operate in the convention area in 2024.

II. Number of vessels

Thailand had (six) fish carrier vessels listed in the WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels for transshipment of fishery production from this competent area in 2024. The names of the vessels were as follows:

1. ASIAN MARINE REEFER	Registration No	460001769
2. ASIAN MARINE REEFER 2	Registration No	470004272
3. PATSORN	Registration No	530003172
4. S. LEELAWADEE	Registration No	460003923
5. SIRICHAI REEFER	Registration No	447400203
6. SEA NETWORK	Registration No	460001298

Note: Sirichai Reefer's authorization to transship on the high seas expired on 25 November 2021.

III. Fishing patterns (catch by time/area)

Not applicable

IV. Estimated total catches of non-target associated and dependent species (if Available)

Useful information

\mathbf{V}	Developments/trends in the fishery (changes in fishing patterns, fleet operations,
	target species, level of transshipment, etc.)
VI	Associated socioeconomic factors (which may influence or explain the above trends)
VII	Disposal of catch (fresh/frozen/other)/market destination (export/domestic)
VIII	Onshore developments (processing plants, support facilities, etc.)
IX	Future prospects of the fishery (long term viability, expansion/contraction, etc.)

RESEARCH AND STATISTICS

X	Summary of observer and port sampling programmes (scientific data)
XI	Research activities (tunas, other species, species of special interest, oceanographic
	influences, etc.)
XII	Statistical data collection systems in use (describe)
XIII	Data coverage of catch, effort and size data for all species

Annex 1. Suggested layout for PART 1 of the Annual Report to the Commission

1. ABSTRACT

As a Cooperating Non-Member, the participatory rights of Thailand in WCPO in the year 2024 were limited to the provision of carrier and bunker vessels only. Thailand has 6 (six) fish carrier vessels listed in the WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels. In 2024, there was no fish carrier vessel from Thailand operated in the Convention Area.

2. Tabular Annual Fisheries Information

Tabular Annual Fisheries Information - [national fleet], for years [x-5] to [x-1]

The following table shows the suggested captions for the tables and figures required in Annual Report Part 1 covering Annual Fisheries Information.

Suggested Table / Figure caption

Table 1. Annual catch and effort estimates for the [National fleet], by gear and primary species, for the WCPFC Convention Area and [other broad ocean area], for years [x-5] to [x-1].

Figure 1 Historical annual catch for the [National fleet], by gear and primary species, for the WCPFC Convention Area presented as a line graph.

Figure 2 Historical annual vessel numbers for the [National fleet], by gear for the WCPFC Convention Area presented as a line graph

Table 2. Number of [National fleet] vessels, by gear and size category, active in the WCPFC Convention Area, for years [x-5] to [x-1].

Figure 3 Annual distribution of target species catch and effort by the [National fleet] active in the WCPFC Convention Area, for years [x-5] to [x-1].

Table 3. Observed annual estimated catches of species of special interest (seabird, turtle and marine mammals) by gear for the [National fleet], in the WCPFC Convention Area, for years [x-5] to [x-1] to the extent available.

Table 4. Annual estimated catches of non-target, associated and dependent species, including

sharks, by the [National fleet], by gear and species, in the WCPFC Convention Area, for years [x-5] to [x-1] to the extent available.

Table 5. Estimated annual coverage of operational catch/ effort, port sampling and observer data for the [National fleet], by gear, active in the WCPFC Convention Area, by gear, for years [x-5] to [x-1].

Notes: In 2024, None of Thai carrier vessel operated in the Convention Area, therefore Thailand has no transshipment information to report to the Commission.

3. BACKGROUND

Thailand requested the Commission for the status of Cooperating Non-Members (CNM) and was accorded in 2010, the participatory rights of Thailand in the WCPO are limited to the provision of carrier and bunker vessels only.

Since 2015, Thailand has reformed its fisheries laws in several sections in order to comply with international regulations and to improve the monitoring, control, and surveillance measures (MCS) of its fishing vessels and carriers. These included port-in/port-out control, vessel monitoring system (VMS), reporting of a fishing logbook, observer deployment, and other electronic tools for MCS (E-Reporting System and E-Monitoring System).

4. Flag State Reporting

Not applicable

5. Coastal State Reporting

Not applicable

6. Socio-economic factors

Not applicable

7. Disposal of catch

Not applicable

8. Onshore developments

Not applicable

9. Future Prospects of the fishery

Not applicable

10. Status of tuna fishery data collection systems

- a. Logsheet data collection and verification
- b. Observer programme
- c. Port sampling programme
- d. Unloading/Transshipment

11. Research activities covering target and non-target species

Not applicable

Notes: In 2024, None of the Thai carrier vessels operated in the Convention Area, therefore Thailand has no transshipment information to report to the Commission.

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July B.E. 2568 (2025)

Dear Ms. Rhea Moss-Christian,

Subject: Submission of Annual Report Part 1 covering 2024 Activities

Pursuant to the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean and Conservation and Management Measure 2019-01 of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (CMM 2019 - 01) regarding Cooperating Non - Members, each CCMs is required to submit an Annual Report Part 1 summarizing its fisheries, research, and statistical information for the preceding calendar year.

In this connection, the Department of Fisheries of Thailand is pleased to inform you that six (6) Thai fish-carrier vessels are currently listed in the WCPFC Record of Fishing Vessels; however, none of them operated within the Convention Area during 2024. The enclosed report covering activities for 2024 is submitted for your consideration and assessment under the Compliance Monitoring Scheme. Should further information be required, please contact us at overc.dof@gmail.com.

Please be assured of our full cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

(Mr.Bancha Sukkaew)

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Enclosure: As stated

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