

**REPORT FROM THE CCSBT OBSERVER TO
TWEENTIETH SESSION OF
INDIAN OCEAN TUNA COMMISSION (IOTC)
(23 – 27 May 2016, La Reunion, France)
CCSBT Observer (Indonesia)**

1. The Twentieth Session of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) was held in La Reunion, France, from 23 – 27 May 2016. Delegates from 28 Members of the Commission, 5 Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties, and 14 Observers (including invited experts) attended the Session.
2. There are two (2) members withdraw their membership from IOTC such as Belize (will take effect on 31 December 2016) and Guinea (will take effect on 31 December 2017).

Cooperation between IOTC and Other Organization and Institution

3. There three (3) drafts MOU was discussed and endorsed by members, such as (i) IOTC and CMS; (ii) IOTC and OFCF and (iii) IOTC and ABNJ.
4. No specific issue related to the cooperation between IOTC and CCSBT was discussed during the meeting.

Adopted Resolutions

5. The Commission adopted the following 11 (eleven) Resolutions as following:
 - a. Resolution 16/01 On an interim plan for rebuilding the Indian Ocean yellowfin tuna stock
 - b. Resolution 16/02 On harvest control rules for skipjack tuna in the IOTC area of competence
 - c. Resolution 16/03 On the second performance review follow-up
 - d. Resolution 16/04 On the implementation of a Pilot Project in view of Promoting the Regional Observer Scheme of IOTC
 - e. Resolution 16/05 On vessels without nationality
 - f. Resolution 16/06 On measures applicable in case of non-fulfilment of reporting obligations in the IOTC
 - g. Resolution 16/07 On the use of artificial lights to attract fish
 - h. Resolution 16/08 On the prohibition of the use of aircrafts and unmanned aerial vehicles as fishing aids
 - i. Resolution 16/09 On establishing a Technical Committee on Management Procedures
 - j. Resolution 16/10 To promote the implementation of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures
 - k. Resolution 16/11 On port state measures to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing
 - l. Resolution 16/12 Working Party on the Implementation of Conservation and Management Measures (WPICMM).

6. IOTC IUU Vessel List

- a. There are 54 Vessels shall remain on the IOTC IUU Vessel List.
- b. There are 16 Vessels shall be kept on the IOTC Provisional IUU Vessel List and 15 out of them are India Flagged Vessel and 1 Unknown (Oman/Belize)

Other Issues

7. The 21st session of IOTC will be held in Yogyakarta, Indonesia in May 2017, and 22nd Session will be held in Thailand in 2018.