

# **The Fish Farming and Socio-economy of Maubin Township (1990-2010)**

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## **Abstract**

Fish is one of the important nutritional sectors in Myanmar. As fish consumption rises, fish farming industry is developing rapidly. As the fish farming industry has improved, it has become an income generating business. By exporting to foreign markets, new opportunities can be generated to get more income and Myanmar's economy can improve. Currently, the development of fish farming in Myanmar is getting a lot of encouragement from the government for the benefit of large-scale fish farmers. For small farmers, there are prohibitions on converting land to other productive activities and policies that limit the role of producers. This policy hinders rural development, including employment opportunities and food security distribution. In addition, lack of supports, getting a loan, production methods and lack of access to human resources are also obstacles to development. This paper presents a study of fish farming industry and socio-economic changes in Maubin Township and presents possible solutions that can solve these problems.

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