

PHILIPPINE FISHERIES SECTOR INITIATIVES ON POSTHARVEST LOSSES REDUCTION

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THE LEGAL FRAMEWORKS

Philippine Food Production and Distribution

National Regulations

National Regulation Code	Title
Presidential Decree (PD) no. 856, 1975	Code on Sanitation of the Philippines

Undertake the promotion and preservation of the health of the people and raise the health standards of individuals and communities throughout the Philippines.



Food Establishments



**Markets and
Abattoirs**

National Regulations

National Regulation Code	Title
RA 3720	Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act

Establish standards and quality measures for food, drug and cosmetic.

Adopt measures to insure pure and safe supply of food, drug and cosmetic in the country.

National Regulations

National Regulation Code	Title
RA 7394	The Consumer Act of the Philippines

**Consumer Health
Protection**

National Regulations

National Regulation Code	Title
RA. 10611	An Act to Strengthen the Food Safety Regulatory System in the Philippines

Food Safety

Consumer
Health

National Regulations

National Regulation Code	Title
RA 10601	Agricultural and Fisheries Mechanization Law

Modern agricultural
and fisheries
machinery



Food security and
safety

National Regulations

National Regulation Code	Title
Republic Act (RA) 8550 later amended by RA 10654	The Fisheries Code of 1998 An Act to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing

**Prepare and Implement a
Comprehensive National Fisheries Industry
Development Plan**

Initiatives to Reduce Postharvest Losses In the Fisheries Sector

Comprehensive National Fisheries Industry Development Plan

FISHERIES POSTHARVEST SECTOR



REDUCTION OF FISHERIES POST-HARVEST LOSSES FROM 25% TO 15% IN 5 YEARS AND 100% COMPLIANCE OF FACILITIES TO HYGIENE AND SANITATION STANDARDS



I. ASSESSMENT OF FISHERIES POSTHARVEST LOSSES



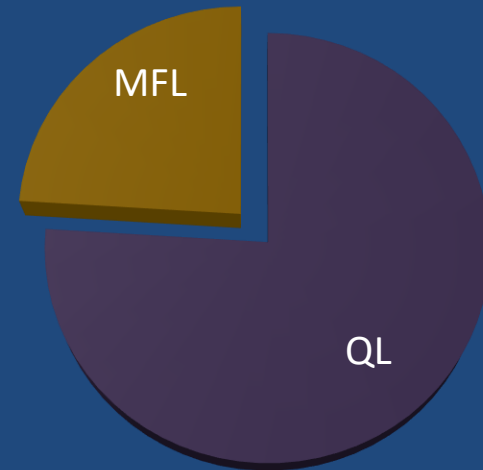
POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS AND NECESSARY INTERVENTIONS

Assessment on Sardines Postharvest Losses in One Province in Mindanao Island, Philippines

Fish Landing Stage



Auction Market Stage



Recommendations:

- Provide post-harvest facilities where it is needed
- Proper information dissemination on preservation techniques such as the use of ice and proper icing methods

II. PROVISION OF POSTHARVEST FACILITIES

Air Blast Freezers



Community Fish Landing Centers



Fish Stalls



Capability Building Activities



CAPACITY BUILDING NEEDS

➤ *Impact Assessment on the Effectiveness of Fisheries Post Harvest Interventions*

➤ *Capacity building on Advance Post Harvest Technologies*

- *Advance Drying and Freezing Technologies*
- *Advances in Fish Handling*
- *Utilization of Fisheries by-products*

Thank
you!