

MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND WATER RESOURCES

REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA



PRESENTATION ON THE PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PSMA IN ATLAFCO MEMBER STATES

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PORT STATE MEASURE AGREEMENT (PSMA)

ACCESSION

THE REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA RATIFIED PSMA ON THE

29TH OF JULY 2016



PROGRESS

The Republic of the Gambia benefitted from FAO project

GCP/GLO/1047/(GER)

On the implementation of the PSMA. (5 Years)



PROGRESS

➤ Gap analysis was done to look at the strength and weaknesses in the implementation of PSMA in The Gambia.

>MCS Audit was also conducted to assess the needs of the Unit.

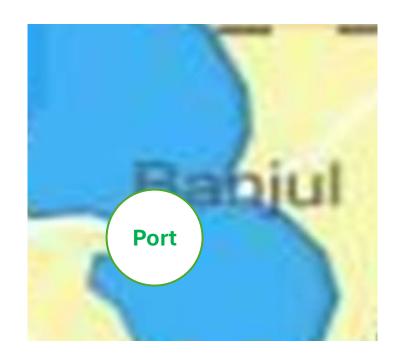
- LEGAL
- REVISION OF THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK
- Fisheries Act 2007
- Fisheries Regulation 2008 preceded PSMA
- Draft Fisheries Act 2025 (Validated)
- Draft Fisheries Regulation 2025 (validated)





INSTITUTIONAL AND OPERATIONAL ARRANGEMENT

- ➤ Bilateral MOU'S entered with 12 relevant institutions (including GMA, Navy, Ports, Immigration, Police, Justice etc.) Awaiting clearance from the Ministry of Justice
- > Establish TWG-IUU
- ➤ Developed 12 Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's)
- ➤ Drafting National MCS plan 2026-2030
- ➤ Designated Port





INSTITUTIONAL AND OPERATIONAL ARRANGEMENT cont.

➤ Designated focal point for PSMA

Focal point for Global Information Exchange System



CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

Risk Assessment Training

- > 14 Personnel underwent training in inspection procedures
- 10 Fisheries Inspectors
- 2 Navy officers
- 1 Port Authority Staff





CHALLENGES

> Contact with Flag state.

> Regional cooperation on Information sharing



