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AQUATIC ECOLOGY SURVEY

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3.1. INTRODUCTION

Fishes are one of the most widely distributed, most easily harvested and cheapest protein sources in tropical area (Kottelat 1997). The inland fishes diversity in Southeast Asia is very high, with about 900 species known from the mainland Southeast Asia (Kottelat, 1989), The total number of species recorded or expected from the Mekong, as inferred from the known zoogeography of southeast Asia, includes about 1200 species, but the actual number of species perhaps is much greater (Rainboth, 1996). Large areas are still not surveyed (Kottelat, 1997).

Very few data on fishes in Lao have been published in the scientific literature. French ichthyologists have published a few scientific papers on fishes with a few species since 1940 and Taki (1974) has compiled a synopsis of fishes of Laos. Since then, some information on fishes of the Nam Ngum reservoirs was collected, and some fish species were identified in certain rivers of Laos, such as Nam Leuk and Nam Mang basin, Nam Theun and Xebang Fai basin. At present, there is a fish species survey on-going in the Mekong basin carried out by Dr. WalterRainboth, but the result is not yet published. AlsdDr.Maurice Kottelat currently compiles Fishes of Lao PDR; it is expected that this publication will be completed in the end of this year (1999). As for fishes in Cambodian about 500 species as been described by Dr.Rainboth (1996). These published papers are used as guideline for this study.

This report presents the observation on fish species obtained from direct fishing and from the fishermen catches during the field investigation. The distribution of fish species along theNam Ngiep main stream and some of its tributaries at the Upper and Lower Reservoir and Downstream of the proposed dam site are also presented. The first fieldwork was carried out around the end of December 1998 until mid of January 1999 for Upper and Lower Reservoirs and beginning of April 1999 for Downstream. The second fish survey was carried out in the end of July and beginning of August 1999.

3.2. FIELD WORKS

3.2.1. SURVEY AREAS

The fish samples were collected observed and identified from 21 stations along Nam Ngiem River and its tributaries namelyNam Theng, Nam Xong, Nam Chea Rivers, included 9 stations of the Upper Reservoir. In the Lower

Reservoir, there are 5 stations along the Nam Ngiep and its tributaries such as Nam Youk and Nam Phouan rivers. There are 7 Stations at Downstream along Nan Ngiep and its tributaries such as Nam Xao river, Houay Khi Nguak, Nam Pa river and Nam Tek river for the first survey (dry season). The photographs of the sampling stations are presented in Plate I., and its location can be seen on the map attached in this report. Additional information on fish species was obtained through observation at Thavieng market (Ban Phonyeng) and also from the fishermen's catches in the villages of Thavieng Sub-district at the Upper Reservoir and the Lower Reservoir in Muan Hom district, Xaysomboun Special Zone.

The second fish survey was carried out mainly in the tributaries on am Ngiep and the floodplain, rice fields and ponds located near to the am Ngiep river (in Upper reservoir, Lower Reservoir and Downstream areas).

3.3. STUDY METHODS and TERMINOLOGY

Our survey team collected fishes samples, with the assistants of local fishermen hired by the project by using gill net, cast net, seine net and scoop net. Fishing was also done by closing small channels in the rivers especially in the tributaries of Nam Ngiep. The fish samples were also inspected from the fishermen's catches and market.

It was initially planed to collect fish samples throughspot poisoning by sodium cyanate using, but the local authorities did not agree and therefore this method was not used at the Upper and Lower Reservoirs area. However, sodium cyanite was used at the downstream area to obtain maximum species. The captured fish was preserved in 10 % formalin solution.

Choosing of the sampling station was based on the expectation of getting a good representation of fish species living in different river portions such as pools, riffles, rapids and different river beds such as gravely, rocky, sandy and muddy, also at the different tributaries of Nam Ngiep River.

Actual fish sampling was carried out at about 1-2 km upstream and downstream of the sampling station along the Nam Ngiep River. As for the case of sampling station in the tributaries, sampling started from the confluence going upstream to about 3-5 km. During fish sampling in different stations, some fish species caught by the fishermen in the area were also inspected and collected. These samples were included into the nearest sampling station.

Their local name and when possible by there scientific names and were then photographed recorded the fishes caught from each sampling station. One to two specimens of each species were collected and preserved to confirm their identifications. Unfortunately some species could not be preserved due to their big size, but were photographed.

The identification of fish species in this present report is based on published and unpublished literature available in the areas: Such as AquatiBiodiversity Study of Nam Mang and Nam San Rivers by Kottelat (1997), Fishes of the Nam Theun and Xe Bangfai basins by Kottelat (1996), Fishes of the Cambodian Mekong by Rainboth (1996), Fishes of Laos by Taki (1974). The Fishes of Southern Lao by Baird (1999). When difficulties in identifying some species turn out, fish biologists working in the area were as well consulted.

The local name of fish species used in this report is based on the name called by the villagers in the Nam Ngiep basin, but for those species which local names do not appear in the report, they will be written as Pa.... Puntius jacobusboehlkei).

As for some species called by the same local name, they will be presented as species 1 species 2...(e.g. Pa Phan1, Pa Phan2...)

For those species, difficult to identify, they will be presented only by their genus followed by "sp." at the end of genus (e.g. Dangila sp.). The scientific names of all fish species are presented in italic letter (e.g. Barbodes gonionotus).

3.4. RESULTS

3.4.1 General

The list of fish species from directs fishing and observed from the market and from the fishers catches during the field survey are presented in Annex 1 for dry season survey. The additional observed species during the wet season surveys is present Annex 2. The photographs of fish species will be presented as plate 2. The list of fish species reported by fishers, using color fish photographs references will be presented in Annex 4 in this report. Also the fish species, which are considered for possibility to adapt to the reservoir's condition, is present in Annex 3. The distribution of fish bio-diversity is summarized in Table 1 in Chapter 3.7.1. The fish migration issue is discussed in Chapter 3.7.2.

3.4.2 Sampling stations

Fish sampling stations are listed from upstream to downstream of the Nam Ngiep River, and the name of each station will be using the name of the nearest village to define the location of each station as described below:

Upper	Reservoir:
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Station 1.	Ban Xiengkhong	Station 6.	Ban Pou
Station 2.	Nam Theng River	Station 7.	Nam Chea River
Station 3.	Ban Naxong	Station 8.	Ban Namlong
Station 4.	Ban Dong		Nam Khai River
Station 5.	Ban Hatsamkhon-		

Lower Reservoir:

Station 10. Ban Houay Pamom	Station 13. Nam Youk River
Station 11. Ban Sopphouan	Station 14. Ban Sopyouk
Station 12 Nam Phouan River	

Downstream

Station 15. Confluence of Houay Xay	Station 19. Nam Pa River
Station 16. Nam Xao River	Station 20. NamTek River
Station 17. Houay Khinguak	Station 21. Confluence of
Station 18. Hatmakphang	Nam Ngiep with
	Mekong River

3.4.3. Fish Biodiversity

3.4.3.1 Upper Reservoir

In the Upper reservoir, the collection of fish samples started below the confluence of Nam Chea upstream to Ban Xiengkhong (station 1) and also in the tributaries of Nam Ngiep. The stations were located in the Thavieng Sub-District of Thathom District, Xaysomboun Special Zone. The character of the river's bottom is gravely, rocky and sandy with some portion of rapids, riffles and pools. The water is clear and cool, the depth of the river is variable, from several meters at the pools to a few cm on the sand bars especially in the tributaries. The wet season sampling was taken place along the small streams and paddy fields near station 2, station 4, station 6 and station 8. The character and fish species obtained from each station are shown below:

Station No. 1.

The fish samples were collected at riffles and pool in the Nam Ngiep river at about 5-km upstream from Ban Xieng Khong. The river base is composed of gravel with sand. Using gill net, cast-net, seine net and nylon scoop nets collected the fish samples, on the 8th January 1999. The collected fish samples are listed below:

	Local name	Scientific name
1.	Pa Phan2	Schistura sp.2
2.	Pa Phan3	Schistura sp.3
3.	Pa Phan4	Schistura sp.4
4.	Pa It xay	Acantopsis sp.
5.	Pa Bou	Rhinogobius mekongianus
6.	Pa Khing	Onychostoma elongata
7.	Pa Chart 1	Poropuntius carinatus
8.	Pa Chart 2	Poropuntiu laoensis
9.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
10.	Pa Siew3	Rasbora daniconius
11.	. Pa Douk	Clarias batrachus
12.	. Pa Phao	Labeo erythropterus
13.	. Pa Phee	Garra pingi
14.	Pa Khea	Bagarius yarrellii
15.	. Pa Pem	Homalopterus smithi
16.	. Pa Lat	Mastacembelus armatus
17 .	. Pa Kang	Channa gachua
18.	. Pa Peak Leuang	Puntius sp. (Yellow fins)

Station No.2.

The fish samples were collected at the confluence of Nam Theng and Nam Ngiep and along the Nam Theng River from the confluence upstream at about 3 km. The river base of Nam Ngiep section is sandy with stone, at the gravel base adjacent to the pool, where as in the Nam Theng river is sand base with small pools along the river. Fish samples were caught by using gill net, nylon scoop net and cast net but were also collected from fishers who were fishing in the same area. At the Nam Theng river small channel in the river were closed to collect fish samples. The sampling was taken on the 5th January 1999. The collected fish samples are listed below:

\mathbf{L}	ocal name	Scientific name
1.	Pa Chart 1	Poropuntius carinatus
2.	Pa Chart 2	Poropuntius laoensis
3.	Pa Phao	Labeo erythropterus
4.	Pa Siew 4	Rasbora daniconius

5.	Pa Khing	Onychostoma elongata
6.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
7.	Pa Lang Nam	Mystacoleucus greewayi
8.	Pa Peak Leuang	Puntius sp. (Yellow fins)
9.	Pa Phee	Garra pingi
10.	Pa Khan Heua	Barilius pulchellus
11.	Pa Phan2	Schistura sp.2
12.	Pa Phan3	Schistura sp.3
13.	Pa Phan6	Schistura sp.6
14.	Pa Phan7	Schistura sp.7
15.	Pa It xay	Acantopsis sp.
16.	Pa Kang	Channa gachua
17.	Pa Kot	Mystus nemurus
18.	Pa Deng	Bangana sinkleri
19.	Pa Song	Neolissochilus blanci
20.	Pa Va (Mou)	Bagana berhi
21.	Pa Khea	Bagarius yarrellii
22.	Pa Pem	Homaloptera smithi
<i>23</i> .	Pa Pok (brack spot	at caudal) Puntius sp.
24.	Pa	Bangana lippus
25.	Pa Pak	Hypsibabus vernayi

Station No. 3.

The fish samples were collected at the pool of Nam Ngiep River near the confluence of Nam Xong and about 500 m. along the Nam Xong River. The riverbed of Nam Ngiep is rocky and muddy, where as in Nam Xong is gravel base. The fish samples were taken on the 4th January 99 and the collected species are listed below:

	Local name	Scientific name
i.	Pa Phee	Garra pingi
2.	Pa Phao	Labeo erythropterus
3.	Pa khing	Onychostoma elongata
4.	Pa Phan1	Schistura sp.1
5.	Pa Phan2	Schistura sp.2
6.	Pa Phan 3	Schistura sp.3
7.	Pa Phan4	Schistura sp.4
8.	Pa Pem	Homaloptera smithi
9.	Pa Khea (juvenile)	Bagarius yarrellii
10.	Pa it xay	Acantopsis sp.
11.	Pa Chart1	Poropuntius carinatus
12.	Pa Deng	Bangana sinkleri
13.	Pa Soud 2	Hampala macrolepidota
14.	Pa Pao	Tetraodon suvattii

15.	Pa Siew 4	Rasbora daniconius
16.	Pa Siew 2	Rasbora borapetensis
17.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus

Station No.4.

The fish samples were collected at the confluence of Nam Pang downstream of Ban Dong village and along the Nam Ngiep River downstream at about 2 km. The riverbed was pool, gravel base and rapids. Using gibbet, cast net and scoop net and closing the small channel in the river. The sampling was taken on 30 December 1998 and the fish species obtained are listed as following:

	Local name	Scientific name
1.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
2.	Pa Chartl	Poropuntius carinatus
3.	Pa Phee	Garra pingi
4.	Pa Phao	Labeo erythropterus
5.	Pa Bou	Rhinogobius mekongianus
6.	Pa Phan1	Schistura sp.1
7.	Pa Phan2	Schistura sp.2
8.	Pa Phan3	Schistura sp.3
9.	Pa Phan5	Schistura sp.5
10.	Pa Siew 5	Esomus metallicus
11.	Pa Siew 4	Rasbora daniconius
12.	Pa Pok	Systomus orphoides
13.	Pa I Thai	Osteochilus hasselti
14.	Pa Lat	Mastacembelus armatus
15.	Pa It xay	Acantopsis sp.
16.	Pa Kang	Channa gachua
17.	Pa Lang Nam	Mystacoleucus greewayi
18.	Pa Pem	Homaloptera smithi
19.	Pa Lay Kai	Osteochilus waandersii
20.	Pa Nai	Cyprinus carpio
21.	Pa Nin	Oreochromis niloticus
22.	Pa Matt	Trichopsis vittata
23.	Pa Pak	Hypsibabus vernayi

Station No. 5.

The fish samples were taken on the 31st of December 1998 at the conservation pool of Ban Hat Sam Khong, below the confluence of Houi Kaba stream by using gill net and cast net. The fish samples were also collected from the fishers who were fishing at the gravel base river upstream of the village's conservation pool. The fish species obtained are listed below:

	Local name	Scientific name
1.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
2.	Pa Phao	Labeo erythropterus
3.	Pa Sa Nark noi	Raiamas guttatus
4.	Pa Soud2	Hampala macrolepidota
5.	Pa Chart 2	Poropuntius laoensis
6.	Pa Chart1	Poropuntius carinatus
7.	Pa Phee	Garra pingi
8.	Pa Deng	Bangana sinkleri
9.	Pa Bou	Rhinogobius mekongianus
10.	Pa Siew 5	Esomus metallicus
11.	Pa Siew 4	Rasbora daniconius
12.	Pa Ket Kheang	Mystacoleucus marginatus
13.	Pa It xay	Acantopsis sp.1
14.	Pa Phan3	Schistura sp.3
15.	Pa Phan6	Schistura sp.6
16.	Pa Phan8	Schistura sp.8
17.	Pa Phan9	Schistura sp.9
18.	Pa Lat	Mastacembelus armatus
19.	Pa Khing	Onychostoma elongata
20.	Pa I Thai	Osteochilus hasselti
21.	Pa Kheng	Anabas testudineus
22.	Pa Khan Heua	Barilius pulchellus
23.	Pa Keng	Cirrhinus molitorella

Station No. 6.

The fish samples were collected alongNam Ngiep downstream from BanPou over 10 km. With the assistance of a group belonging to the Youth Organization of Ban Pou, using gill net, cast net and scoop net. The fish samples were also collected from bamboo traps of the fishers, which were installed at place to place in small channels along the river. The sampling was taken place on the 1st of January 1999 and the obtained materials are listed below:

	Local name	Scientific name
1.	Pa Lat	Mastacembelus armatus
2.	Pa I Thai	Osteochilus hasselti
3.	Pa Keng	Cirrhinus molitorella
4.	Pa Sanark noi	Raiamas guttatus
5.	Pa Chart1	Poropuntius carinatus
6.	Pa Kang	Channa gachua
7.	Pa Phao	Labeo erythropterus

8.	Pa Khing	Onychostoma elongata
9.	Pa tep	Barilius koratensis
10.	Pa Lang Nam	Mystacoleucus greewayi
11.	Pa Phee	Garra pingi
12.	Pa Pem	Homaloptera smithi
13.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
14.	Pa Khea Noi(juvenile)	Bagarius Sp.
15.	Pa Phan1	Schistura sp.1
16.	Pa Phan2	Schistura sp.2
17.	Pa Phan3	Schistura sp.3
18.	Pa Matt	Trichopterus pumila
19.	Pa Katt	Betta smaragdina
20.	Pa Tep	Paracela sp.
21.	Pa Pak	Hypsibabus vernayi

Station No. 7.

The fish samples were collected from Nam Chea (or Nam Chian), it is a tributary of Nam Ngiep, about 40 minutes by boat from BanPou village. The sampling took place on the 2rd of January 1999 in the Nam Chea River about 5 km from its upstream of its confluence. Its riverbed is small pools, rapids and gavel base, by using cast net, seine net and scoop nets. The obtained fish species are listed below:

. •	Local name	Scientific name
1.	Pa Soud2	Hampala macrolepidota
2.	Pa Phao	Labeo erythropterus
3.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
4.	Pa Chart1	Poropuntius carinatus
5.	Pa Lang Nam	Mystacoleucus greewayi
5.	Pa Phan1	Schistura sp. 1
6.	Pa Phan2	Schistura sp.2
7.	Pa Phan3	Schistura sp.3
8.	Pa Siew 1	Rasbora atridorsalis
9.	Pa Song	Neolissochilus blanci
10.	Pa Pem	Homaloptera smithi
11.	Pa Kang	Channa gachua
12.	Pa Bou	Rhinogobius mekongianus
14.	Pa Ketkheng	Mystacoleucus marginatus

Station No. 8.

This station is located near Ban Nam Long village. Fish samples were collected along the Nam Long river. Nam Long is a tributary of Nam Chea. The fish samples were collected on the 3rd January 1999, from the pools and

gravel base of Nam Long River in the north of BanNam Long by using gill nets and scoop nets. The obtained fish species are listed below:

	Local name	Scientific name
1.	Pa Soi	Cirrhinus lineatus
2.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
3.	Pa It xay	Acantopsis sp.
4.	Pa Siew 4	Rasbora paviei
5.	Pa Siew 5	Esomus metallicus
6.	Pa Khaomon	Puntius brevis
7.	Pa Chart1	Poropuntius carinatus
8.	Pa Kang	Channa gachua
9.	Eel	Monopterus albus
10.	Pa Douk	Clarias batrachus
11.	Pa Khan Heua	Barilius pulchellus
12.	Pa Song	Neolissochilus blanci
13.	Pa Phan 1	Schistura sp. 1
14.	Pa Phan 3	Schistura sp3
15.	Pa Pan 5	Schistura sp5
16.	Pa Phan7	Schistura sp7

Station No. 9.

The fish sampling took place inNam Khai or sometimes called Nam Mong. It is one of the Nam Ngiep's tributaries. The sampling station is located 30 minutes by foot from BanNakang village. The sampling was conducted on the 6th of January 1999 by using gill net, scoop net and cast net. Fourteen fish species were caught during the sampling as listed below:

	Local name:	Scientific name
i.	Pa Khan Heua	Barilius pulchellus
2.	Pa Siew 5	Esomus metallicus
3.	Pa Siew 3	Rasbora daniconius
4.	Pa Chart 1	Poropuntius carinatus
5.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
6.	Pa Kang	Channa gachua
7.	Pa Khing	Onychostoma elongata
8.	Pa It xay	Acantopsis sp.
9.	Pa Phan1	Schistura sp. 1
10.	Pa Phan2	Schistura sp2
11.	Pa Phan3	Schistura sp3
12.	Pa Phan 4	Schistura sp4
13.	Pa Douk	Clarias batrachus
14.	Pa Ketkheng	Mystacoleucus marginatus

3.4.3.2 LOWER RESERVOIR

In the Lower Reservoir, fish samples collection started from downstream from Ban Houay Pamom and moved toward Ban Sopyouk. Fish samples were also collected in the tributaries. The location of the Lower Reservoir is located in Muang Hom district, Xaysomboun Special Zone. The Nam Ngiep River is getting wider and deeper toward its downstream. The river bottom is gravelly, muddy, sandbars and the water is slightly getting turbid compared to Upper Reservoir. The individual description of the station and fish samples obtained from each station are provided as follows:

Station No. 10.

It is located in the Nam Ngiep River, at the Ban Houay Pamom. The fish samples were collected from the riffles and pool by using the gill net cast net and scoop net and some of the specimens were also obtained from the fishers who were fishing in the area. PaKouan xay *Luciocyprinus striolatus* was caught by Dr. S.P. Watson (wild life expert). The sampling took place on the 26th of January 1999 and the fish species obtained are listed below:

	Local name	Scientific name
1.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
2.	Pa Phạo	Labeo erythropterus
3.	Pa Chart 1	Poropuntius carinatus
4.	Pa Khing	Onychostoma elongata
5.	Pa Pa Soud2	Hampala macrolepidota
6.	Pa Deng	Bangana sinkleri
7.	Pa Thol	Tor tambroides
8.	Pa Keng	Cirrhinus molitorella
9.	Pa Khea (Leuang)	Bagarius bagarius
10.	Pa Phee	Garra pingi
11.	Pa Dam	Tor Sp.
12.	Pa Phan1	Schistura sp. 1
13.	Pa Phan2	Schistura sp.2
14.	Pa Phan3	Schistura sp.3
15.	Pa Phan 4	Schistura sp.4
16.	Pa Phan 5	Schistura sp.5
17.	Pa Phan 8	Schistura sp8
18.	Pa Phan 9	Schistura sp9
19.	Pa bou	Rhinogobius mekongianus
20.	Pa Kouan xay	Luciocyprinus striolatus
21.	Pa Kheung	Hemibagrus wyckoides
22.	Pa Va (Mou)	Bangana behri

Station No. 11.

The fish sampling was carried out on the 25th of January 1999 at the downstream of Ban Sop Phouan and at the confluence of Nam Phouan and Nam Ngiep. Gill net and cast net were used to catch the fish. It was observed by our team that in this particular station, the quantity of the fish catches was more abundant if compare to other stations (the total fish caught weighted 26 kg from 2 and haft hours fishing and the individuals weight ranged from 0.3 to 3 kg.).

	Local name	Scientific name
1.	Pa Chart 1	Poropuntius carinatus
2.	Pa Phao	Labeo erythropterus
3.	Pa Phee	Garra pingi
4.	Pa Kheung	Hemibagrus wyckoides
5.	Pa Keng	Cirrhinus molitorella
6.	Pa Deng	Bangana sinkleri
7.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
8.	Pa Pak	Barbodes gonionotus
9.	Pa Kot	Mystus nemurus
10.	Pa Khao mon	Puntius brevis
11.	Pa It xay	Acantopsis sp.
12.	Pa Bou	Rhinogobius mekongianus
13.	Pa Khor	Channa striata
14.	Pa Lat	Mastacembelus armatus
15.	Pa Khea (Leuang)	Bagarius bagarius
16.	Pa Phan1	Schistura sp. 1
17.	Pa phan3	Schistura sp. 2
18.	Pa Kheo Kai 1	Botia nigrolineata
19.	Pa Kheo Kai 2	Botia modesta
20.	Pa Kheo Kai 3	Botia eos
21.	Pa Vienfai	Barbodes schwanefeldi
22.	Pa Ka gneng	Mystus vittatus

Station No. 12

The fish samples were collected in Nam Phouan River. Nam Phouan is a tributary of Nam Ngiep. The sampling station is located about 5 km upstream from its confluence. The riverbed is gravel with sand in some areas and consists of pools and riffles. The sampling was done late afternoon othe 25th of January 1999 by using gill net, cast net, scoop net and funnel trap. The fish species obtained are listed as following:

	Local name	Scientific name
1.	Pa Phao	Labeo erythropterus
2.	Pa Phee	Garra pingi

3.	Pa Chart 1	Poropuntius carinatus
4.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
5.	Pa Pok	Systomus orphoides
6.	Pa Thol	Tor tambroides
7.	Pa Deng	Bangana sinkleri
8.	Pa Kang	Channa gachua
9.	Pa Douk	Clarias batrachus
10.	Pa Khor	Channa striata
11.	Pa Khaomon	Puntius brevis
12.	Pa Lang nam	Mystacoleucus greewayi
13.	Pa It xay	Acantopsis sp.
14.	Pa Kheng	Anabas testudineus
15.	Pa Pem	Homaloptera smithi
16.	Pa Lat	Mastacembelus armatus
17.	Pa Kheung	Hemibagrus wyckoides
18.	Pa Phani	Schistura sp. 1
<i>19</i> .	Pa Phan2	Schistura sp. 2
<i>20</i> .	Pa Siew 3	Rasbora daniconius 3
21.	Pa Siew 5	Esomus metallicus 5
22.	Pa Va (Mou)	Bangana behri
23.	Pa Soud 1	Hampala dispar
24.	Pa Nang	Kreptopterus cryptopterus
25.	Pa Lot	Macrognathus siamensis

Station No. 13.

Fish sampling was carried out on the 24° of January 1999 along Nam Youk river starting from its confluence with Nam Ngiep and moving upstream about 5 km., using cast nets, gill nets, and scoop nets as fishing gear. The fishing was carried out with the assistance of the fishers from BarSopyouk. The riverbed at the sampling area is composed of gravel and rocks. The fish species obtained are listed below:

	Local name	Scientific name
1.	Pa Khing	Onychostoma elongata
2.	Pa Chart 1	Poropuntius carinatus
3.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
4.	Pa Bou	Rhinogobius mekongianus
5.	Pa Phan 1	Schistura sp. 1
6.	Pa Phan2	Schistura sp.2
7.	Pa Phan3	Schistura sp.3
8.	Pa It xay	Acantopsis sp.
9.	Pa Phao	Labeo erythropterus
10.	Pa Lang nam	Mystacoleucus greewayi

11. Pa Soud2	Hampala macrolepidota
12. Pa lat	Mastacembelus armatus
13. Pa Kang	Channa gachua
14. Pa	Puntius jacobusboehlkei
15. Pa Deng	Bangana sinkleri
16. Pa Thol	Tor tambroides
17. Pa Siew	Rasbora sp. (Horizontal red line)
18. Pa siew 1	Rasbora atridorsalis 1
19. Pa Siew 2	Rasbora borapetensis 2
20. Pa Siew 3	Rasbora daniconius 3
21. Pa Siew 4	Rasbora paviei 4
22. Pa Siew 5(Nouad)	Esomus metallicus
23. Pa Tong Kay	Chitala ornata
24. Pa Seuam	Ompok bimaculatus
25. Pa Tithin	Homaloptera yunnanensis

Station No. 14.

The fish sample was taken place inNam Ngiep River downstream from Ban Sop Youk about 3 km. The fishing was done at the riffles adjacent to the village's conservation pool on the 23rd of January 1999 by using cast nets, gill net, scoop nets and seine nets. The riverbed at sampling area is sandy, muddy and gravelly. The fish species collected are listed below:

	Local name.	Scientific name
1.	Pa Keng	Cirrhinus molitorella
2.	Pa Khing	Onychostoma elongata
3.	Pa Chart 1	Poropuntius carinatus
4.	Pa Chart 2	Poropuntius laoensis
5.	Pa Pak	Barbodes gonionotus
6.	Pa Sakang	Puntioplites falcifer
7.	Pa Lat	Mastacembelus armatus
8.	Pa Kang	Channa gachua
9.	Pa Bou	Rhinogobius mekongianus
10.	Pa Langnam	Mystacoleucus greewayi
11.	Pa Phant	Schistura sp. 1
12.	Pa Phan2	Schistura sp.2
13.	Pa Mom	Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus
14.	Pa Deng	Bangana sinkleri
15.	Pa Kheung	Hemibagrus wyckoldes
16.	Pa Khea	Bagarius yarrellii
17.	Pa Tong (Khao)	Notopterus notopterus
18.	Pa Thol	Tor tambroides
19.	Pa KaGneng	Mystus singaringan

Pa Khor	Channa striata
Pa I thai	Osteochilus hasselti
Pa Khee lam	Dangila Sp.
Pa Pao	Tetraodon suvattii
Eel	Monopterus albus
Pa Kheo Kai 1	Botia nigrolineata
Pa Kheo Kai 2	Botia modesta
Pa Kheo Kai 3	Botia eos
Pa siew 1	Rasbora atridorsalis 1
Pa Siew 2	Rasbora borapetensis 2
Pa Siew 3	Rasbora daniconius 3
Pa Siew 5	Esomus metallicus 5
Pa Soud 1	Hampala dispar
	Pa I thai Pa Khee lam Pa Pao Eel Pa Kheo Kai 1 Pa Kheo Kai 2 Pa Kheo Kai 3 Pa siew 1 Pa Siew 2 Pa Siew 5

3.4.3.3. Downstream

In the Downstream sectors, the collection of fish samples started below the proposed dam site near to confluence of Houay Xay River upstream of Ban Houay Xaykham (station 15) toward downstream up to the Nam Ngiep's confluence with Mekong River (station 21) and also in the tributaries on Nam Ngiep. The stations were located in the Bolikhanh and Pakxan district, Bolikamxay province. The character of the river's bottom is gravely, sandy and muddy with some portion of rapids, riffles and pools. The water is more turbid compared to Upper reservoir section, the depth of the river is variable, from several meters at the pools to a few cm on the sand bars especially in the tributaries. The river is getting wider in this section. The character and fish species obtained from each station are shown below:

Station No. 15.

The fish sample was taken place in Nam Ngiep River upstream of the confluence of Houay Xay River near to Ban Houay Xay Kham about 5 km from the proposed dam site. Fishing was done at the rocky rapid adjacent to the pool by using cast-net and gill-net, fish also collected for the small channel at the NamNgiep river by using sodium yanite on the 5th of April 1999. The riverbed at sampling area is gravelly at channel. The fish species collected are listed below:

Local name	Scientific name
1. Pa Khao	Wallago attu
2. Pa	Barilius sp
3. Pa	Garra cambodgiensis
4. Pa	Osteochilus schlegeli

5. Pa... Cosmochilus harmandi
6. Pa Leuan fai Barbodes altus
7. Pa Pien Scaphognathops sp.
8. Pa Kheelam Dangila sp.
9. Pa Khor chon Channa lucius
10. Pa Khao xay Sikukia gudgeri

10. Pa Khao xay
12. Pa pe
13. Pa Ka
14. Pa Tet xa
Sikukia gudgeri
Euryglossa harmandi
Pristolepis fasciata
Nandus nandus

15. Pa Lek xi
16. Pa Pak
17. Pa Sakang
Doryichthys deokhatoides
Barbodes gonionotus
Puntioplites falcifer

18. Pa Mom Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus

19. Pa Kheung
20. Pa Khea
21. Pa Tong (Khao)
22. Pa Thol
33. Hemibagrus wyckoides
44. Bagarius yarrellii
55. Notopterus notopterus
56. Tor tambroides

22. Pa TholTor tambroides23. Pa PhaoLabeo erythropterus

Station No. 16

The fish samples were collected from Nam Xao River the tributary of NamNgiep. Fishing was done on the 6th of April 1999 at the riffles adjacent to the pool from its confluence about 5 km. Fish was collected by using sodium cyanite. The obtained fish species are listed below:

Local name	Scientific name	
1. Pa Khap khong	Parambassis siamensis	

Pa Phan 9
 Pa Phan 1
 Pa phan 3
 Pa Pem
 Pa Hak Kouay

Schistura sp. 1
Schistura sp. 2
Homaloptera sp
Acantopsis sp

Pa It xay Acantopsis sp.
 Pa Khee mouk2 Pseudomystus siamensis
 Pa Lek xi Doryichthys deokhatoides

10. Pa ... Glyptothorax laosensis

11. Pa Tet xa Nandus nandud

12. Pa seua noi

13. Pa Sathong

14. Pa Ka

15. Pa Pao

Systomus partipentazona

Xenentodon cancila

Pristolepis fasciata

Monotreta leiurus

16. Pa Siew 6

17. Pa Chi man

Monotreta teturus

Parachela maculicauda

Crossocheilus siamensis

18. Pa Cha loi Crossocheilus sp

19. Pa Phan1 Schistura sp. 1
20. Pa Phan2 Schistura sp. 2

21.Pa Siew 3Rasbora daniconius 322.Pa Siew 5Esomus metallicus 523. Pa Lay kaiOsteochilus waandersii

Station No. 17

The fish samples were collected in Houay Khinguak River tributary of NamNgiep. The sampling station is located about 5 km upstream from its confluence. The riverbed is rocky and consists of rapid and pools. The sampling was done late afternoon on the 7th of April 1999 by using sodium cyanite and scoop net. The fish species obtained are listed as following:

Local name
Scientific name
Parambassis siamensis

2. Pa Phan 9

23. Pa Phan 1

24. Pa phan 3

25. Pa Pem

26. Pa Hak Kouay

27. Pa Sahara

28. Pa Khap Khong

Schistura sp

Schistura sp. 1

Homaloptera sp

Acantopsis sp

7. Pa Sathong

8. Pa Kadeut

9. Pa Khee mouk 1

10. Pa siew 1

11. Pa Siew 2

12. Pa Khee mouk2

13. Pa Lek xi

14. Vanish of the mouk of the mout of

14. Pa ... Glyptothorax laosensis

15. Pa Tet xa Nandus nandud

16. Pa seua noi
 17. Pa Siew 6
 18. Pa..
 19. Pa Chi man
 Systomus partipentazona
 Parachela maculicauda
 Osteochilus sarawakensis
 Crossocheilus siamensis

Station No.18

The fish samples were collected at the riffles called Hatmakpang at Nam Ngiep River on the 7th of April 1999 by using cash-net and gill net. The collected fish species are shown below:

Local name

1. Pa Pak

2. Pa Sakang

Scientific name

Barbodes gonionotus

Puntioplites falcifer

3. Pa Mom Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus

4. Pa Kheung5. Pa Khea

6. Pa Tong (Khao)

Pa Thol
 Pa Leuan fai
 Pa Pien
 Pa Kheelam

11. Pa Nok Khao

12. Pa Khao 13. Pa Pao

14. Pa Sathong15. Pa Phia

16. Pa Keng17. Pa Chart 1

18. Pa Chart 2

Hemibagrus wyckoides Bagarius yarrellii Notopterus notopterus Tor tambroides

Tor tambroides
Barbodes altus
Scaphognathops sp.

Dangila sp.

Osteochilus melanopleurus

Wallago attu Monotreta leiurus Xenentodon cancila

Morulius chrysophekadion Cirrhinus molitorella Poropuntius carinatus Poropuntius laoensis

Station No.19

Fish sampling was carried out on the 8th April 1999 in Nam Pa River. Nam Pa is a tributary of Nam Ngiep River. The sampling station is located at about upstream of its confluence with Nam Ngiep by using sodium cyanite and scoop nets. The riverbed at the sampling area is composed of sandy and muddy. The fish species obtained are listed below:

Local name

1. Pa Khap khong

2. Pa Phan 93. Pa Phan 1

4. Pa phan3

5. Pa Pem

6. Pa Hak Kouay

7. Pa Sathong

8. Pa Kadeut

9. Pa Khee mouk 1

10. Pa siew 1 11. Pa Siew 2

12. Pa Siew 3

13. Pa Siew 5

14. Pa Soud 1

15. Pa..

16. Pa Chi man

17. Pa Tep

Scientific name

Parambassis siamensis

Schistura sp

Schistura sp. 1

Schistura sp. 2 Homaloptera sp

Acantopsis sp

Xenentodon cancila

Trichogaster trichopterus Psedomystus stenomus Rasbora atridorsalis 1 Rasbora borapetensis 2 Rasbora daniconius 3 Esomus metallicus 5

Hampala dispar

Osteochilus sarawakensis Crossocheilus siamensis

Paralaubuca typus

Station No.20

The sampling station is located at Nam Tek River, this is a tributary of NamNgiep River. Fish sampling was carried out on the 8th April 1999 by using sodium cyanite. The riverbed is sandy and muddy. Fishes were collected at shallow sandbars adjacent to pool. The fish species obtained are listed below:

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Local name	Scientific name
1. Pa Sathong	Xenentodon cancila
2. Pa Kadeut	Trichogaster trichopterus
3. Pa Khee mouk 1	Psedomystus stenomus
4. Pa Khoekai 4	Botia longidorsalis
5. Pa Pao	Monotreta leiurus
6. Pa Khap khong	Parambassis siamensis
7. Pa Phan 9	Schistura sp
8. Pa Phani	Schistura sp. 1
9. Pa phan3	Schistura sp. 2
10. Pa Pem	Homaloptera sp
11. Pa Hak Kouay	Acantopsis sp
12. Pa It xay	Acantopsis sp.
13. Pa Khee mouk2	Pseudomystus siamensis
14. Pa Lek xi	Doryichthys deokhatoides
15. Pa	Glyptothorax laosensis
16. Pa Tet xa	Nandus nandud
17. Pa seua noi	Systomus partipentazona
18. Pa Siew 6	Parachela maculicauda
19. Pa	Osteochilus sarawakensis
20. Pa Chi man	Crossocheilus slamensis
20. Pa Lat	Mastacembelus armatus
21. Pa Kang	Channa gachua
21. Pa Kot	Mystus nemurus
22. Pa Khao mon	Puntius brevis
23. Pa Bou	Rhinogobius mekongianus

Station No.21

24. Pa Khor

This station is located at the confluence of NamNgiep with Mekong River. Using gill net and cast net collected the fish samples. Fishing started from confluence toward upstream about 1 km. Fish samples were also obtained from the fishers who fished in the area. The fish samples were collected on the 9th and 10th of April 1999. The fish species obtained are listed below:

Local name
1. Pa Kheo Kai 3

Scientific name

Channa striata

Botia eos

2. Pa Kheo Kai 1

3. Pa Mou

4. Pa Phia

5. Pa Nok khao

6. Pa Khao

7. Pa...

8. Pa Khee lam

9. Pa...

10. Pa...

11. Pa ..

12. Pa Leuan fai

13. Pa yon

14. Pa seam

15. Pa Peek kai

16. Pa ..

17. Pa yon nou

18. Pa Bou gnai

19. Pa Khoun

Botia nigrolineata

Botia sp.

Morulius chrysophekadion

Osteochilus melanopleurus

Wallago attu

Osteochilus schlegeli

Dangila sp

Osteochilus sarawakensis

Cyclocheilichthys sp

Scaphognathops sp

Barbodes altus

Pangasius siamensis

Kryptopterus sp

Kryptopteurs sp

Pangasius conchophilus

Pangasius pleurotaenia

Oxyeleotris marmorata

Wallago leeri

3.5. DISCUSSION.

3.5.1. Fish Bio-diversity.

Hundred and thirty-four fish species are observed from the survey areas Annex 1 and 2. Fifty-seven species observed in upper reservoir, out of which there are eight species do not observed in other river sections. Seventy-eight species were observed in Lower Reservoir, out of which sixteen species are not observed in upper reservoir and downstream areas. In the downstream area, there are ninety-one species were observed, out of which forty-five species are not observed in the upper and lower reservoirs (See table 3.5.1 below).

Table 3.5.1. Summarized of the Distribution of Fish Bio-diversity within Project areas.

Number of Fish	Distribution of Fish Bio-diversity		
Species Observed	Upper Reservoir	Lower Reservoir	Downstream
Only in upper reservoir area	8		
Only in lower reservoir area		16	
In upper and lower areas	43		
Only in downstream area			45
In lower reservoir and Downstream areas		77	
Total species observed	57	78	91
Total number of fish species observed in the areas		134	<u> </u>

3.5.2. Fish Migration and Spawning.

Construction of the dam will definitely stop migrations of migratory fishes between the upstream and downstream sectors, if the passes facility do not provided. But at present, the information available on fish species and fish migrations information in the proposed reservoir of Nam Ngiep River is very little to have final conclusion and recommendation on this issue. However, The species observed in the survey area (Nam Ngiep basin, upstream of the proposed dam site) have been reported elsewhere in the Mekong basin which are considered undertake migrations such as: Cirrhinus molitorella; Labeo erythopterus; Bangana behri; Bangana sinkleri; Kreptopterus cryptopterus; Mystus nemurus; Hemibagrus wyckoides (

Roberts & Baird, 1995). But the exact timing of the migrations, location and distance travelling route of the migrations is still not known

There is a few species observed from the proposed Upper Reservoir are considered to undertake migrations such as Bangana behri; Bangana sinkleri; Labeo erythopterus, and some more species are recognized for migration in the Lower Reservoir sector such as Cirrhinus molitorella; Labeo erythopterus; Bangana behri; Bangana sinkleri; Kreptopterus cryptopterus; Mystus nemurus. However, during the first survey in December 1998 to January 1999 fish migration for spawning was reported by the villagers. Most of the species are those of dry season migration species, and normallythey do migration in short distance e.g. from the pools to riffles or rocky riverbeds of the same river for spawning Most of them were reported to take place in the Nam Ngiep River. Those reported species are: Scaphiodonicthys acanthopterus, Poropuntius carinatus, Poropuntius laoensis, Onychostoma sp. Systomus orphoides, Neolissochilus blanci, Puntius gonionotus, Tor sp. Hampala macrolepidota..

The fish communities in the Mekong mainstream support an important fishing activity (commercial and subsistence fisheries). River mouths are the important feeding grounds for many species, they are passage points for migratory species, either when they penetrate the tributaries or move along the river mainstrean (Kottelat, 1997). As reported by the fishermen during the field survey, the fish communities in Nam Ngiep River are also similar practices to those Mekong fishes, for instance at Nam Theng, Nam Chea in the Upper Reservoir, also at Lower Reservoir there are two rivers named Nam Phouan, Nam Youk rivers. These tributaries were reported as the main spawning or feeding grounds for many species, especially in the rainy season. But the biological data/information concerning this issue is not available, as mentioned in the previous chapter.

At the downstream area, during our wet season survey the fishermen reported that Pa Koun (*Wallago leeri*) use to breed in Houay Nam Pha near station No 17 (See the map) very year in beginning of September.

After closing of the dam, migratory speciesnay: 1). Disappear for reasons not related with migrations (habitat destruction, overfishing, pollution, etc.); 2) be unable to reproduce because they cannot complete their migrations and then disappear; 3) be able to reproduce without migration or find new migratory routes and spawning sites (Kottelat, 1997)

3.6. Conclusions and Recommendations

The total of 134 fish species have been observed from the direct fishing in the Upper, Lower reservoirs as well as in the Downstream of the proposedNam Ngiep 1

Hydropower Dam. These fish species have been reported elsewhere in Lao PDR such as Nam Theun basin and some in Nam Leuk, Nam Ngum Reservoir.

There are about 8 species of fishes (may be more) reported by the villagers have not been seen from the direct fishing. It should be further confirmed in the future.

Due to limitation of the information on fish migration in the area and as well as in Lao PDR, more information on fish migration along the Nam Ngiep River should be collected. Therefore, fish migration monitoring program is recommended. The programs should be conducted twice, once in dry season, but the important time should be given to wet season migration, because most of long distance migratory species usually take place in wet season.

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Plate 1. Photographs of the Fish Sampling Stations. There are 9 stations of Upper Reservoir and 5 stations of Lower Reservoir Sections.

Fish Sampling Station 1. Ban Xiengkhong (Upper reservoir Nam Ngiep River)



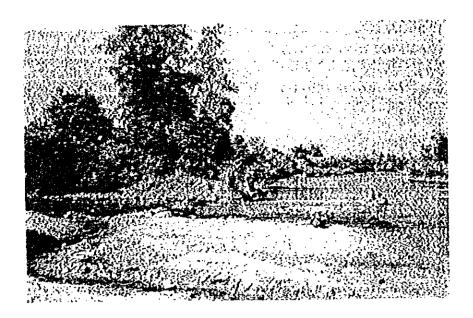


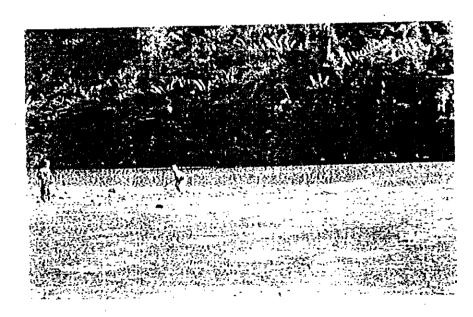
Fish Sampling
Station 2.
Nam Theng
And its
Confluence
With Nam Ngiep
(Upper Reservoir)





Fish Sampling
Station 4.
Confluence of
Nam Pang
Near Ban Dong
(Upper reservoir
Nam Ngiep River)





Fish Sampling Station 5. At Conservation Of Ban Hat Samkhon In Nam Ngiep (Upper Reservoir)

Fish Sampling Station 6. At Nam Ngiep river Downstream from Ban Pou (Upper Reservoir)

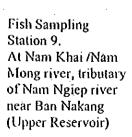




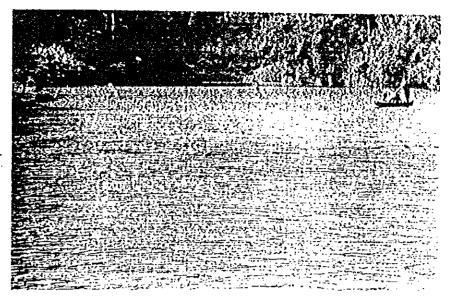
Fish Sampling
Station 7.
Confluence of
Nam Chea/Nam Chian
(Upper reservoir)



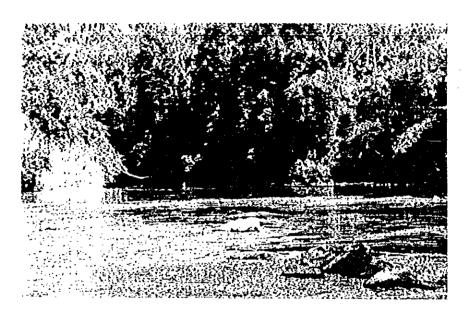
Fish Sampling Station 8. At Nam Long River Tributary of Nam Ngiep (Upper Reservoir)



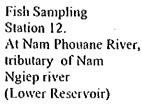




Fish Sampling Station 10. Ban Houay Pamom At Nam Ngiep River (Lower reservoir)



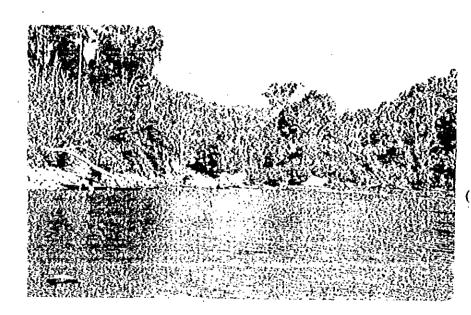
Fish Sampling
Station 11.
At Nam Ngiep
Downstream from
Ban Sopphouane
(Lower Reservoir)



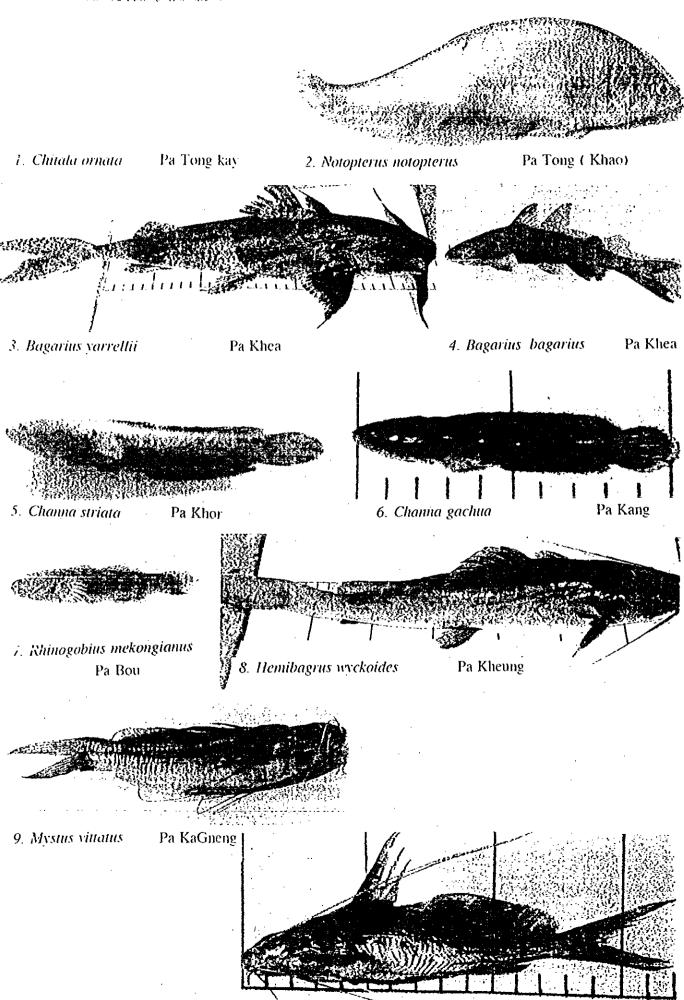




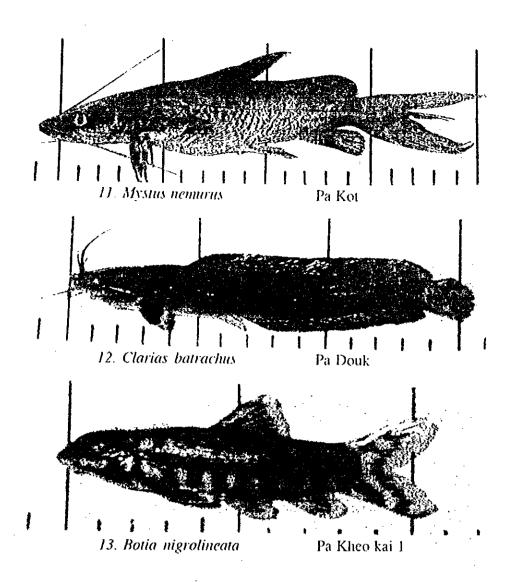
Fish Sampling
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At Nam Youk River,
Tributary of Nam Ngiep
River near Ban Sopyouk
(Lower reservoir)

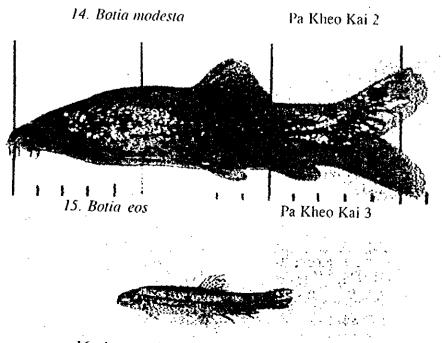


Fish Sampling Station 14. At Nam Ngiep Downstream from Ban Sopyouk (Lower Reservoir)



10. Mystus singaringan Pa KaGneng(kho)





16. Acantopsis sp.

Pa It xay



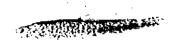
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Pa Phan1



18. Schistura sp.2

Pa Phan2



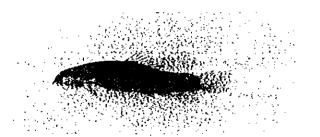
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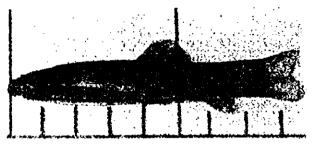
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Pa Phan4



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Pa Phan5



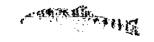
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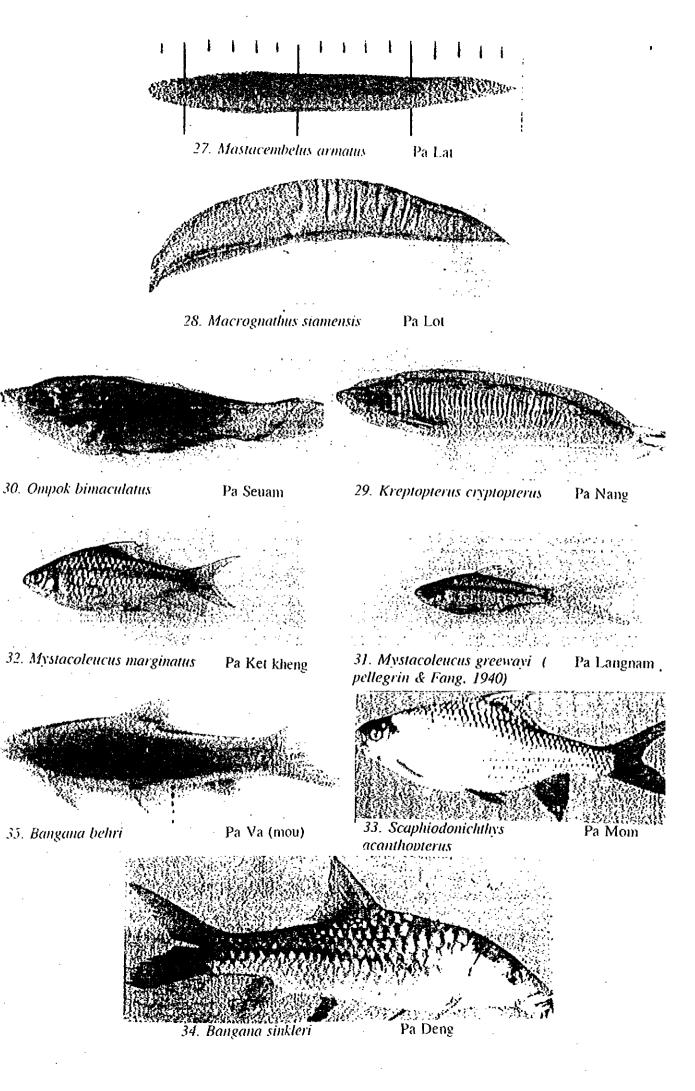


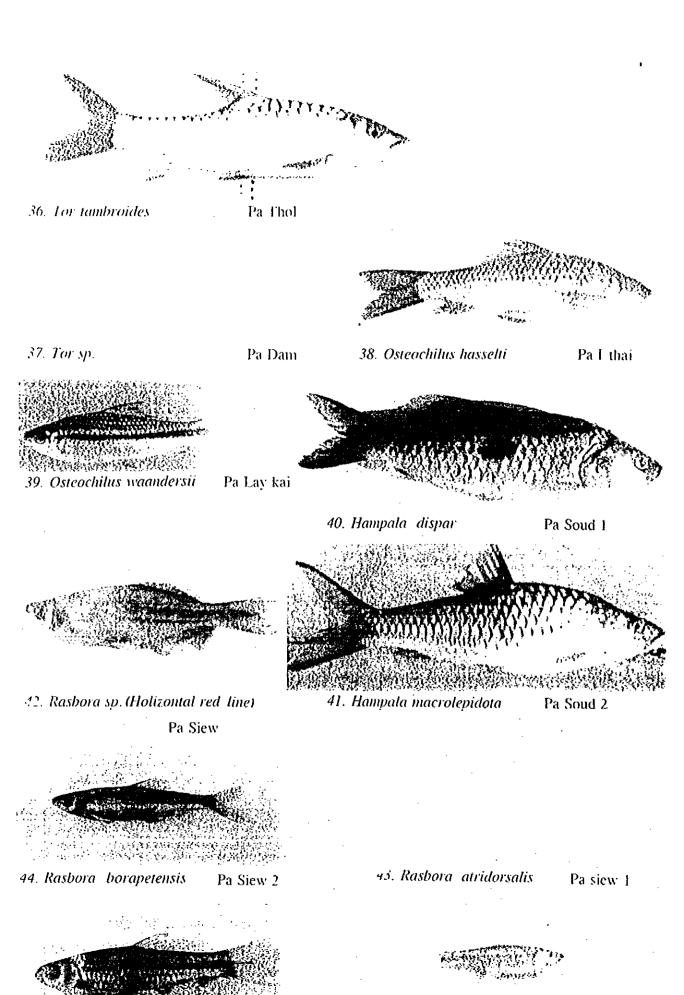
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26. Homaloptera smithi

Pa Pem' tithin



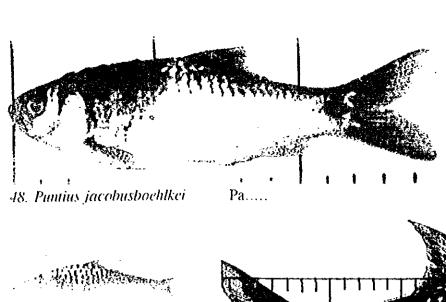


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Pa Siew 3

46. Rasbora paviei

Pa Siew 4

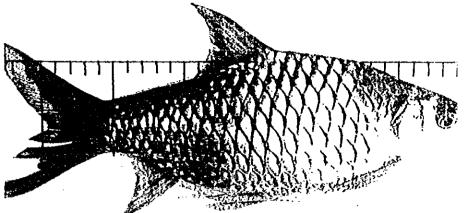




47. Esomus metallicus, Pa Siew



49. Puntius brevis, Pa Khaomon



50. Puntius sp. (yellow fins)

Pa Peak leuang



51. Puntius sp. (black spot at caudal base) Pa Pok

52. Dangila Sp.

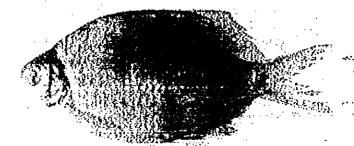
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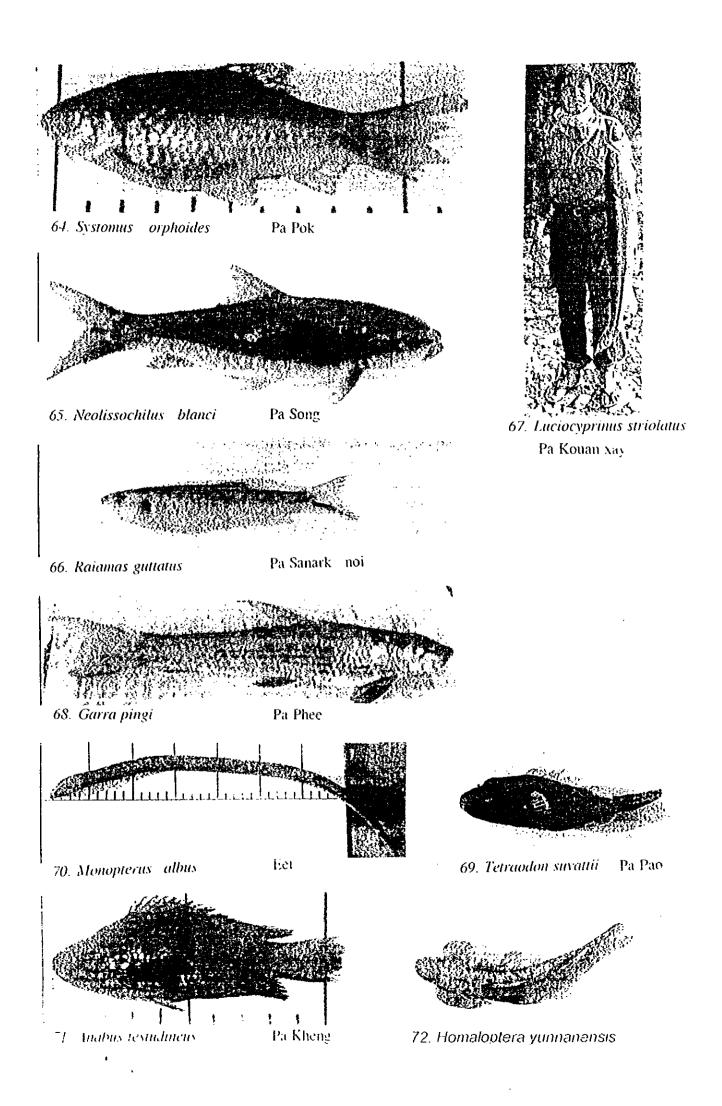


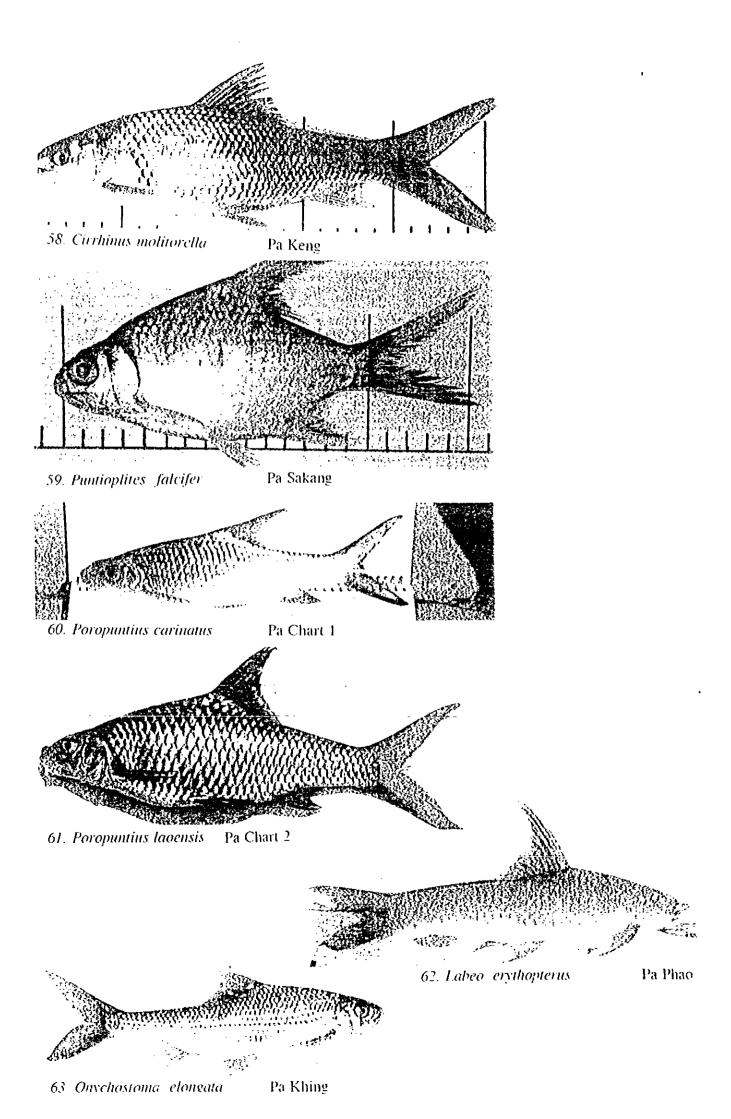
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Pa Vienfai

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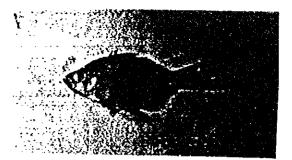






73. Euryglossa harmandi

Pa Pe



74. Parambassis siamensis

Pa Khap Khong



75. Trichogaster trichopterus

Pa Kadeut

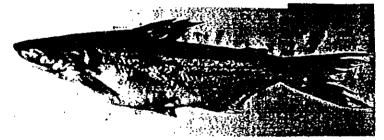
76. Xenentodon cancila

Pa Sathong



77. Pangasius siamensis

Pa Yon



78. Pangasius conchophilus

Pa Souay



79. Pangasius pleurotaenia

Pa Yon Nou

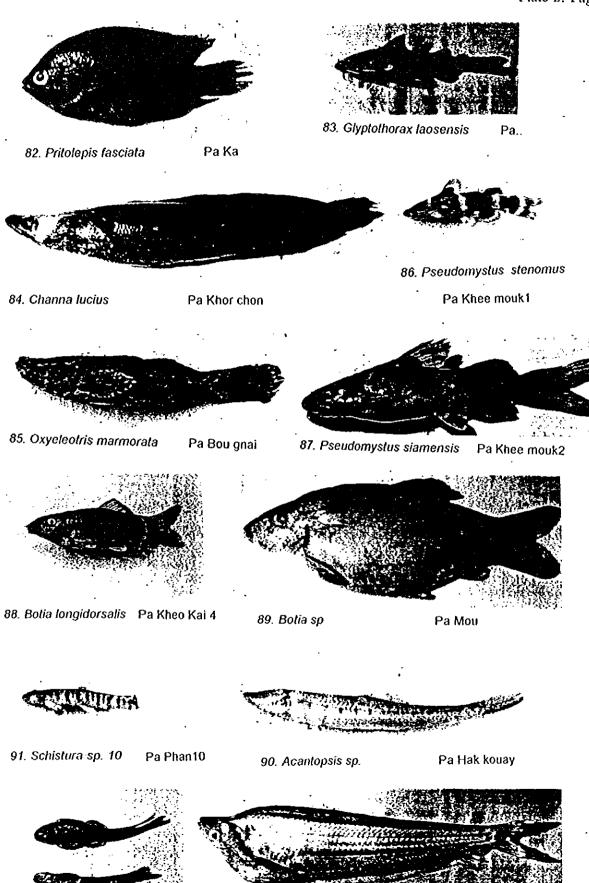


80. Doryichthys deokhatoides



81. Nandus nandus

Pa Tel xa

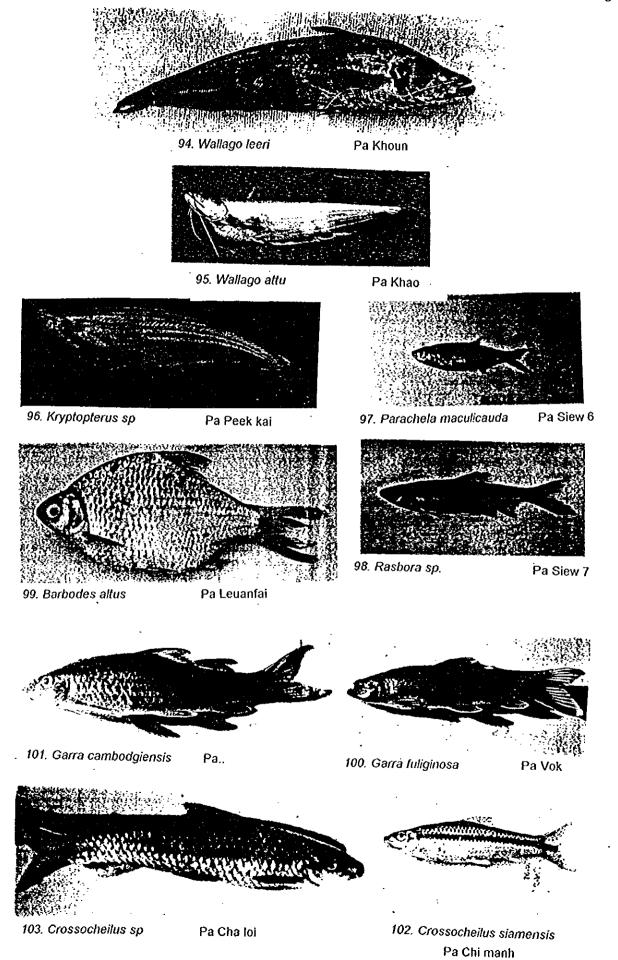


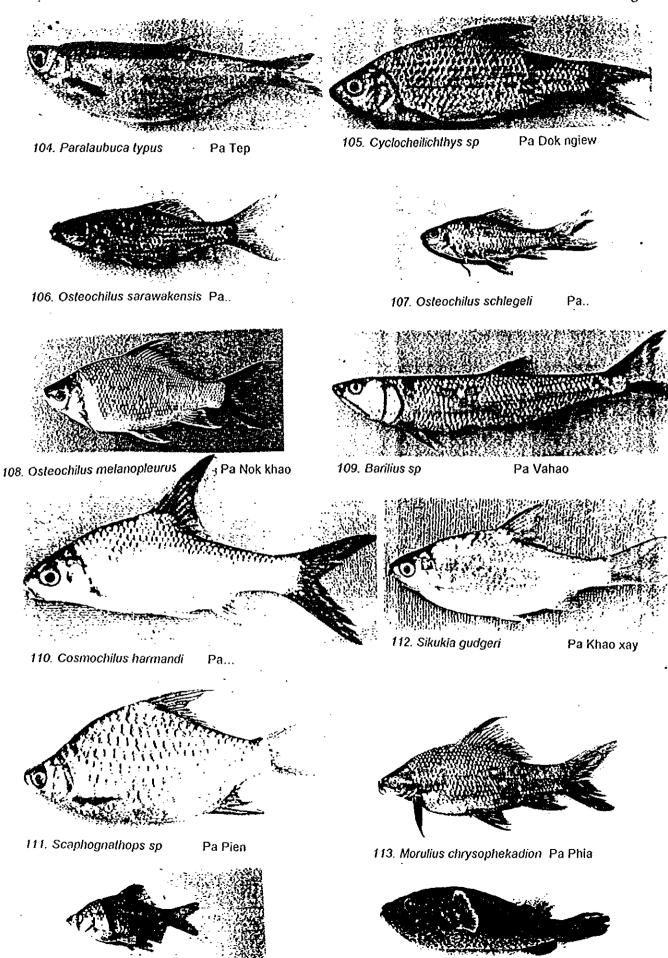
92. Homaloptera sp

Pa Tithin

93. Kryptoplerus sp

Pa Seum

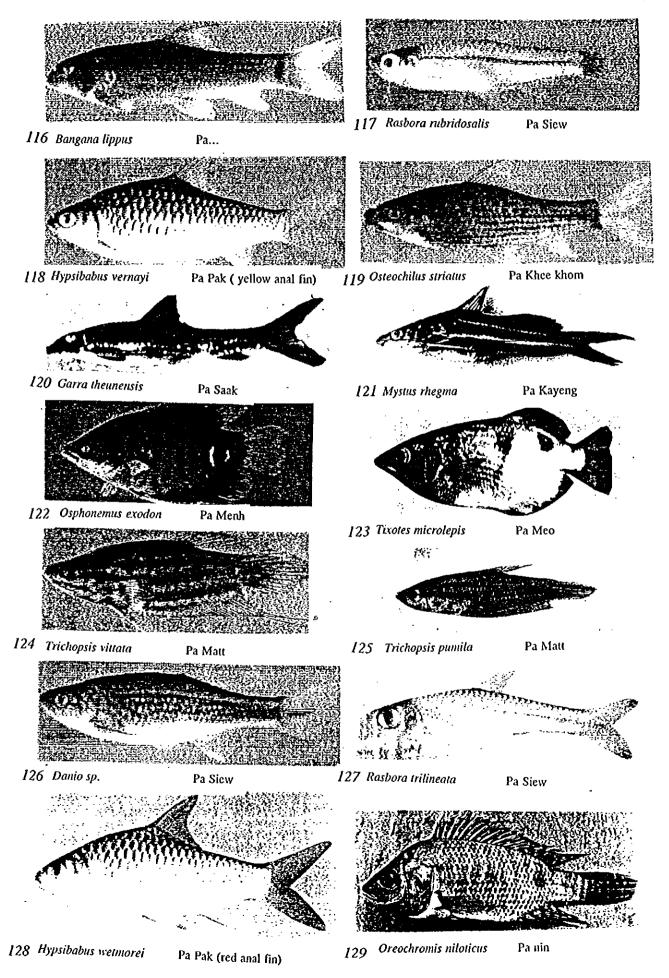




115. Monotreta lelurus

Pa Pao

114. Systomus partipentazona Pa Seua noi





130 Heterobagus sp.

Pa Kayeng



131 Belodontichthys dinema

Pa Khop



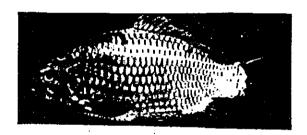
132 Parachela sp.

Ра Тер



133 Betta smaragdina

Pa Katt



134 Cyprinus carpio

Pa nai

Table 1: List of fish species observed from 21 sampling stations along Nam Ngiep river, in dry season survey.

			COLLECTED IN NAM NGIEP			REPORTED FROM		
FAMILY	SCIENTIFIC NAME	LOCAL NAME	Upper Reservoir	Lower Reservoir	Down stream	N. Ngum Reservoir	N.Theun2 .Hinboun	Fish Ponds
NOTOPTERIDAE	Chitola ornata	Pa Tong kay		*				
	Notopterus notopterus	Pa Tong (Khao)		*	*	*	*	*
SOLEIDAE	Euryglossa harmandi	Pa Pe			*			
AMBASSIDAE	Parambassis siamensis	Pa Khap Khong			*			
BELONTIDAE	Trichogaster trichopterus	Pa Kadeut			*			
	Xenentodon cancila	Pa Sathong			*	*	*	
PANGASIIDAE	Pangasius siamensis	Pa Yon			*	*		*
	Pangasius conchophilus	Pa Souay			*			
	Pangasius pleurotaenia	Pa Yon Nou			*			*
SYNGNATHIDAE	Doryichthys deokhatoides	Pa Lek xi			*		*	
NANDIDAE	Nandus nandus	Pa Tet xa			*			
	Pritolepis fasciata	Pa Ka			*	*		
SISORIDAE	Bagarius yarrellii	Pa Khea	*	*	*	*	*	-,
	Bagarius bagarius	Pa Khea Leuang	*	*				*
	Glyptothorax laosensis	Pa			*		*	
CHANNIDAE	Channa striata	Pa Khor		*	*	*		*
	Channa lucius	Pa Khor chon			*		- 	
	Channa gachua	Pa Kang	*	*	*	*		
ELEOTRIDAE	Oxyeleotris marmorata	Pa Bou gnai			*			*
GOBIIDAE	Rhinogobius mekongianus	Pa Bou	*	*	*			
BAGRIDAE	Hemibagrus wyckoides	Pa Kheung	i	*	*			
	Mystus vittatus	Pa KaGneng		*				
	Mystus singaringan	P.KaGneng(kho)		*		*	*	
	Mystus nemurus	Pa Kot	*	*	*	*		*
	Pseudomystus stenomus	Pa Khee mouk!			*			
	Pseudomystus siamensis	Pa Khee mouk2			*		*	
CLARIIDAE	Clarias batrachus	Pa Douk	*	*		*		*
COBITIDAE	Botia nigrolineata	Pa Kheo kai 1		*	*		*	
	Botia modesta	Pa Kheo Kai 2		*			*	
	Botia eos	Pa Kheo Kai 3		*	*		*	
	Botia longidorsalis	Pa Kheo Kai 4			*			
	Botia sp	Pa Mou			*			

			COLLECTED IN NAM NGIEP			REPORTED FROM			
FAMILY	SCIENTIFIC NAME	LOCAL NAME	Upper Reservoir	Lower Reservoir	Down stream	N. Ngum Reservoir	N.Theun2 .Hinboun	Fish Ponds	
	Acantopsis sp.	Pa Hak kousy			*				
	Acantopsis sp.	Pa It xay	*	*	*		<u></u>		
BALITORIDAE	Schistura sp.1	Pa Phant	*	*	*	<u> </u>			
	Schistura sp.2	Pa Phan2	*	*	*				
	Schistura sp. 3	Pa Phan3	*	*	*				
	Schistura sp. 4	Pa Phan4	*	*					
	Schistura sp. 5	Pa Phan5	*	*					
	Schistura sp. 6	Pa Phan6	*						
	Schistura sp.7	Pa Phan7	*	*		-			
	Schistura sp. 8	Pa Phan8	*	*					
	Schistura sp. 9	Pa Phan9	*	*	*				
	Schistura sp. 10	Pa Phan10			*				
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Homaloptera smithi	Pa Pem/ tithin	*	*	*		*		
	Homaloptera sp	Pa Tithin			*	-			
	Homaloptera yunnanensis	Pa Tihin		*			*		
MASTACEMBELIDAE	Mastacembelus armatus	Pa Lat	*	*	*	*		*	
	Macrognathus slamensis	Pa Lot		*				*	
SILURIDAE	Kreptopterus cryptopterus	Pa Nang		*		*	*	<u>·</u>	
	Ompok bimaculatus	Pa Seuam		*		*		*	
	Kryptopterus sp	Pa Seum			*				
	Wallago leeri	Pa Khoun			*	*	7.1	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
-	Wallago attu	Pa Khao			*	*		*	
	Kryptopterus sp	Pa Peek kai			*				
CYPRINIDAE	Mystacoleucus greewayi	Pa Langnam	*	*	*	*	*		
	Mystacoleucus marginatus	Pa Ket kheng	*			*	*		
	Scophiodonichthys acanthopterus	Pa Mom	*	*	*		*		
	Bangana sinkleri	Pa Deng	*	*		*			
	Bangana behri	Pa Va (mou)	*	*					
	Tor tambroides	Pa Thol		*		*			
	Tor sp.	Pa Dam		*					
	Osteochilus hasselti	Pa I thai	*	*	*		*	 .	
	Osteochilus waandersii	Pa Lay kai	*		*	·	*		
	Hampala dispar	Pa Soud I	*	*	*	*	*	*	
	Hampala macrolepidota	Pa Soud 2	*	*		*.	*	 	
	Rosbora sp.(Holizontal red line)	Pa Siew		*		*			
	Rasbora atridorsalis	Pa siew 1	*	*	*		*		
	Rasbora borapetensis	Pa Siew 2	*	*	*		*		

		Í	COLLECTED IN NAM NGIEP			REPORTED FROM		
FAMILY	SCIENTIFIC NAME	LOCAL NAME	Upper Reservoir	Lower Reservoir	Down stream	N. Ngum Reservoir	N.Theun2 .Hinboun	Fish Ponds
	Rasbora daniconius	Pa Siew 3	*	*	*		*	ļ
	Rasbora paviei	Pa Siew 4	*	*			*	
	Esomus metallicus	Pa Siew 5	*	*	*	·	*	
	Parachela maculicauda	Pa Siew 6		*	*	*	*	
	Rasbora sp.	Pa Siew 7			*		*	
	Purtius jacobusboehlkei	Pa,		*				
	Puntius brevis	Pa Khaomon	*	*	*	*		*
	Puntius sp. (yellow fins)	Pa Peak leuang	*			<u> </u>		
	Puntius sp. (black dot)	Pa Pok	*				·	
	Dangila Sp.	Pa Khee Jam		*	*	*		
	Barilius pulchellus	Pa Khanheua	*	*			*	
	Barilius sp	Pa Khan heuai	*		*			
	Barbodes schwanefeldi	Pa Vienfai		*		*	*	
	Barbodes gonionolus	Pa Pak		*		*	*	
	Barbodes alius	Pa Leuanfai		·····	*	*	*	
	Cirrhinus lineatus	Pa Soi	*					
	Cirrhinus molitorella	Pa Keng	*	*	*	*	*	*
	Puntioplites falcifer	Pa Sakang		*	*		*	*
	Poropuntius carinatus	Pa Chart I	*	*	*			
	Poropuntius lavensis	Pa Chart 2	*	*	*		*	<u>-</u>
	Labeo ersthopterus	Pa Phao	*	*	*			
	Onychostoma elongata	Pa Khing	*	*			*	
	Systomus orphoides	Pa Pok	*	*		*		
	Neolissochilus blanci	Pa Song	*					
	Raiamas guttatus	Pa Sanark noi	*				*	
	Luciocyprinus striolatus	Pa Kouan xay		*		_		
	Garra pingi	Pa Phee	*	*				
- ,	Garra fuliginosa	Pa Vok			*			
 .	Garra cambodgiensis	Pa		<u> </u>	*		*	
	Crossocheilus siamensis	Pa Chi manh			*		*	
	Crossocheilus sp	Pa Cha loi			*			
YPRINIDAE	Paralaubuca typus	Pa Tep		 -	*		*	
	Cyclocheilichthys sp	Pa Dok ngiew			*	*	*	*
	Osteochilus sarawakensis	Pa			*		*	
	Osteochilus schlegeli	Pa			*			
	O. melanopleurus	Pa Nok khao			*	*	*	*
	Barilius sp	Pa Vahao			*		*	

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FAMILY	SCIENTIFIC NAME	LOCAL NAME	Upper Reservoir	Lower Reservoir	Down stream	N. Ngum Reservoir	N.Theun2 .Hinboun	Fish Ponds	
	Cosmochilus harmandi	Pa			*				
	Scaphognathops sp	Pa Pien			*	*	*		
	Sikukia gudgeri	Pa Khao xay			*		*	· 	
	Morulius chrysophekadion	Pa Phia			*	*		*	
	Systomus partipentazona	Pa Seua noi			*				
TETRAODONIIDAE	Tetraodon suvattii	Pa Pao	*	*			*		
	Monotreta leiurus	Pa Pao			*				
SYNBRANCHIDAE	Monopterus albus	Eel	*	*		*	*		
ANABANTIDAE	Anobus testudineus	Pa Kheng	*	*		*		*	

Table 2. List of the additional species of fish observed during wet season survey

		Collecte	d in Nam	Nglep	Re	ported fro	11)
Scientific name	Local name	upper	Lower	Down	N.Ngum	N.Theun2	Fish
		Reservoir	Reservoir	stream	Reservoir	1	ponds
Bangana lippus	Pa	*	*			*	
Danio sp.	Pa Siew		*	*		*	
Rasbora rubridosalis	Pa Siew		*	*		*	*
Rasbora trilineata	Pa Siew		*	*			*
Hypsibabus vernayi	Pa Pak (yellow anal fin)	*	*	*		*	
Hypsibabus wetmorei	Pa Pak (red anal fin)		*	*		*	
Osteochilus striatus	Pa Khee khom	1		*		*	
Parachela sp.	Ра Тер	*	*	*			
Garra theunensis	Pa Saak		*	·	 	*	
Heterobagus sp.	Pa Kayeng		*	*			*
Mystus rhegma	Pa Kayeng		*	*		*	*
Cyprinus carpio	Pa nai	*			*		*
Osphonemus exodon	Pa Menh			*	*	*	
Belodontichthys dinema	Pa Khop		*	*		*	*
Tixotes microlepis	Pa Meo			*		*	
Prichopsis vittata	Pa Matt	*	*	*		*.	. *
Trichopsis pumila	Pa Matt	*	*	*		*	*
Betta smaragdina	Pa Katt		*	*		*	*
Oreochromis niloticus	Pa nin	*			*		*
		7	14	15	3	14	10

Note:

The fish species observed in wet season survey are recored only

the new species, as listing in the above Table.

Table 3. List of fish species possible adaptation to the reservoir condition Base on species found in Nam Ngum reservoir

Scientific name	Local name	Observed	Observed	Possible
		in N.Ngum	in N.Ngiep	adaptation to
		Reservoir		reservoir
Chitala ornata	Fa Tong kay		*	*
Notopterus notopterus	Pa Tong (Khao)	*	*	*
Parambassis siamensis	Pa Khap Khong	*	*	*
Nandus nandus	Pa Tet xa	 	*	*
Pritolepis fasciata	Pa Ka	*	*	*
Channa striata	Pa Khor	*	*	*
Channa lucius	Pa Khor chon		*	+
Channa gachua	Pa Kang		*	*
Oxyeleotris marmorata	Pa Bou gnai		*	*
Hemibagrus wyckoides	Pa Kheung	*	*	*
Mystus vittatus	Pa KaGneng		*	*
Mystus singaringan	Pa KaGreng(kho)	*	*	*
Mystus nemurus	Pa Kot	*	*	*
Clarias batrachus	Pa Douk	*	*	*
Mastacembelus armatus	Pa Lat		*	?
Kreptopterus cryptopterus	Pa Nang		+	*
Ompok bimaculatus	Pa Seuam	*	+	+
Kryptopterus sp	Pa Seum	*	*	*
Wallago leeri	Pa Khoun	*	*	*
Wallago attu	Pa Khao	*	*	*
Kryptopterus sp	Pa Peek kai	*	*	*
Osteochilus hasselti	Pa I thai	*	*	*
Osteochilus waandersii	Pa Lay kai		*	*
Hampala dispar	Pa Soud 1	*	*	*
Hampala macrolepidota	Pa Soud 2	*	*	*
Puntius brevis	Pa Khaomon/Pabee	*	*	*
Puntius sp.(yellow fins)	Pa Peak léuang		*	*
Dangila Sp.	Pa Khee lam	*	*	*
Barbodes schwanefeldi	Pa Vienfaj	*	*	*
Barbodes gonionotus	Pa Pak	*	*	*
Barbodes altus	Pa Leuanfai	*	*	*
Cirrhinus lineatus	Pa Sol		*	*
Cirrhinus molitorella	Pa Keng	*	*	*
Puntioplites falcifer	Pa Sakang	*	*	*
Labeo erythopterus	Pa Phao/Pa va	*	*	*
Systomus orphoides	Pa Pok		*	*
Paralaubuca typus	Pa Tep		*	*
Cyclocheilichthys sp	Pa Dok ngiew	*	*	*
Osteochilus melanopleurus	Pa Nok khao	*	*	*
Scaphognathops sp	Pa Pien	*	*	*
Sikukia godgeri	Pa Khao xay		*	?
Morulius chrysophekadion	Pa Phia	*	*	<u>;</u>
Tetraodon suvatui	Pa Pao		* .	?
Monotreta leiurus	Pa Pao	*	*	;

Table 3. Continue...

Scientific name	Local name	Observed	Observed	Possible
		in N.Ngum	in N.Ngiep	adaptation to
		Reservoir		reservoir
Rasbora rubridosalis	Pa Siew		*	?
Rasbora trilincata	Pa Siew		*	?
Hypsibabus vernayi	Pa Pak (yellow anal fin)	*	*	*
Hypsibabus wetmorei	Pa Pak (red anal fin)	*	*	*
Osteochilus striatus	Pa Khee khom	·	*	*
Parachela sp.	Ра Тер		*	*
Heterobagus sp.	Pa Kayeng		*	*
Mystus rhegma	Pa Kayeng		*	*
Cyprinus carpio	Pa nai	*	*	*
Osphonemus exodon	Pa Menh	*	*	*
Belodontichthys dinema	Pa Khop		*	+
Oreochromis niloticus	Pa nin	*	*	*
			 	

Table: List of fish species reported by villagers, by using the Fish Photographs references

Scientific name	Local name	Upper Reservoir	Lower Reservoir	Down stream	Field observation
Chitala ornata	Pa Tong kay	1	*	*	*
Chitala blanci	Pa Tong lai	 		*	
Notopterus notopterus	Pa Tong (Khao)		*	*	*
Macrochirichthys macrachorus	Pa Hangfa	*		*	
Gyrinocheilus aymonieri	Pa Dampha	*	*	*	1
Gyrinocheilus pennocki	Pa Dampha	*	*	*	
Oreoglanis delacouri	Pa Tithin	† · · · · · ·		*	
Hemibagrus filamentus	Pa Kot Mo	*	*	*	77.
Euryglossa harmandi	Pa Pe		*	*	*
Parambassis siamensis	Pa Khap Khong			*	*
Trichogaster trichopterus	Pa Kadeut	*	*	*	*
Xenentodon cancila	Pa Sathong	*	*	*	*
Pangasius siamensis	Pa Yon			*	*
Pangasius conchophilus	Pa Souay			*	*
Pangasius pleurotaenia	Pa Yon Nou			*	*
Doryichthys deokhatoides	Pa Lek xi	1		*	*
Nandus nandus	Pa Tet xa	 	*	*	*
Pritolepis fasciata	Pa Ka	<u> </u>	*	*	*
Coius undecimradiatus	Pa Seua			*	
Bagarius yarrellii	Pa Khea	*	*	*	*
Bagarius bagarius	Pa Khea Leuang	*	*	*	*
Channa striata	Pa Khor	*	*	*	*
Channa lucius	Pa Khor chon		*	*	*
Channa gachua	Pa Kang	*	*	*	*
Oxyeleotris marmorata	Pa Bou gnai			*	*
Rhinogobius mekongianus	Pa Bou	*	*	*	*
Hemibagrus wyckoides	Pa Kheung	*	*	*	*
Mystus vittatus	Pa KaGneng		*	*	*
Mystus singaringan	Pa KaGneng(kho)		*	*	*
Mystus nemurus	Pa Kot	*	*	*	*
Pseudomystus stenomus	Pa Khee moukl		*	*	*
Pseudomystus siamensis	Pa Khee mouk2		*	*	*
Clarias batrachus	Pa Douk	*	*	*	*
Botia nigrolineata	Pa Kheo kai 1		*	*	*
Botia modesta	Pa Kheo Kai 2		*	*	*

Annex 4 (Cont..)

Scientific name	Local name	Upper Reservoir	Lower Reservoir	Down	Field observation
Botia cos	Pa Kheo Kai 3		*	*	*
Botia longidorsalis	Pa Kheo Kai 4		*	*	*
Botia sp	Pa Mou		*	*	*
Botia beauforti	Pa Khco Kai		*	*	
Botia helodes	Pa Kheo Kai		*	*	
Channa micropeltes	Pa Do		*	*	
Acantopsis sp.	Pa Hak kouay	*	*	*	*
Acantopsis sp.	Pa It xay	*	*	*	*
Schistura sp.1	Pa Phani	*	*	*	*
Schistura sp.2	Pa Phan2	*	*	*	*
Schistura sp. 3	Pa Phan3	*	*	*	*
Schistura sp. 4	Pa Phan4	*	*	*	*
Schistura sp. 5	Pa Phan5	*	*	*	*
Schistura sp. 6	Pa Phan6	*	*	*	*
Schistura sp.7	Pa Phan7	*	*	*	*
Schistura sp. 8	Pa Phan8	*	*	*	*
Schistura sp. 9	Pa Phan9	*	*	*	*
Schistura sp. 10	Pa Phan10	*	*	*	*
Homaloptera smithi	Pa Pem/ tithin		*	*	*
Homaloptera sp	Pa Tithin		*	*	*
Homaloptera yunnanensis	Pa Tihin		*	*	*
Mastacembelus armatus	Pa Lat	*	*	*	*
Macrognathus siamensis	Pa Lot	*	*	*	*
Kreptopterus cryptopterus	Pa Nang			*	*
Ompok bimaculatus	Pa Seuam			*	*
Kryptopterus sp	Pa Seum			*	*
Wallago leeri	Pa Khoun		*	*	*
Wallago attu	Pa Khao		*	*	*
Kryptopterus sp	Pa Peek kai			*	*
Mystacoleucus greewayi (pellegrin	Pa Langnam	*	*	*	*
Mystacoleucus marginatus	Pa Ket kheng	*	*	*	*
Scaphiodonichthys acanthopterus	Pa Mom	*	*	*	*
Bangana sinkleri	Pa Deng	*	*	*	*
Bangana behri	Pa Va (mou)	*	*	*	*
Tor tambroides	Pa Thol	*	*	*	*
Tor sp.	Pa Dam	*	*		*
Osteochilus hasselti	Pa I thai	*	*	*	*

Annex 4 (Cont..)

Scientific name	Local name	Upper Reservoir	Lower Reservoir	Down stream	Field observation
Osteochilus waandersii	Pa Lay kai	- Kistion	*	*	*
Hampala dispar	Pa Soud 1	*	*	*	*
Hampala macrolepidota	Pa Soud 2	*	*	*	*
Rasbora sp.(Holizontal red line)	Pa Siew	*	*	*	*
Rasbora atridorsalis	Pa siew 1	*	*	*	*
Rasbora borapetensis	Pa Siew 2	*	*	*	*
Rasbora daniconius	Pa Siew 3	*	*	*	*
Rasbora paviei	Pa Siew 4	*	*	*	*
Esomus metallicus	Pa Siew 5	*	*	*	*
Parachela maculicauda	Pa Siew 6	*	*	*	*
	Pa Siew 7	*	*	*	*
Rasbora sp.		*	*		*
Puntius jacobusboehlkei	Pa	*	*	*	*
Puntius brevis	Pa Khaomon	*	*	*	*
Puntius sp.(yellow fins)	Pa Peak leuang		*	*	*
Puntius sp.(black spot at caudal base	 	*	*	*	*
Dangila Sp.	Pa Khee lam	*	*	*	*
Barilius pulchellus	Pa Khanheua	*	*	*	*
Barilius sp	Pa Khan heua l	+			<u> </u>
Barbodes schwanefeldi	Pa Vienfai	<u> </u>	*	*	*
Barbodes gonionotus	Pa Pak	*	*	*	*
Barbodes altus	Pa Leuanfai		·	*	*
Cirrhinus lineatus	Pa Soi	<u> </u>	*	*	*
Cirrhinus molitorella	Pa Keng	<u> </u>	*	*	*
Puntioplites falcifer	Pa Sakang			*	*
Poropuntius carinatus	Pa Chart 1	*	*	*	*
Poropuntius Iaoensis	Pa Chart 2	*	*	*	*
Labeo erythopterus	Pa Phao	*	*	*	*
Onychostoma elongata	Pa Khing	*	*	*	*
Systomus orphoides	Pa Pok	*	*	*	*
Neolissochilus blanci	Pa Song	*	*	*	*
Raiamas guttatus	Pa Sanark noi	*	*	*	*
Luciocyprinus striolatus	Pa Kouan xay	*	*	*	*
Garra pingi	Pa Phee	*	: *	*	*
Garra fuliginosa	Pa Vok	1		*	*
Garra cambodgiensis	Pa manh	*		*	*
Crossocheilus siamensis	Pa Chi manh			*	*
Crossocheilus sp	Pa Cha loi	*	*	*	*

Scientific name	Local name	Upper	Loner	Down	Field
		Reservoir	Reservoir	stream	observation
Paralaubuca typus	Ра Тер	*	*	*	*
Cyclocheilichthys sp	Pa Dok ngiew	*	*	*	*
Tenualosa thibaudeaui	Pa Makphang		*	*	
Himantura chaophaya	Pa Phalai			*	l
Osteochilus melanopleurus	Pa Nok khao			*	*
Barilius sp	Pa Vahao	*	*	*	*
Cosmochilus harmandi	Ра		*	*	*
Scaphognathops sp	Pa Pien	*	*	*	*
Sikukia gudgeri	Pa Khao xay	*	*	*	*
Morulius chrysophekadion	Pa Phia		*	*	*
Systomus partipentazona	Pa Seua noi			*	*
Tetraodon suvattii	Pa Pao	*	*	*	*
Monotreta leiurus	Pa Pao	*	*	*	*
Monopterus albus	Eel	*	*	*	*
Anabus testudineus	Pa Kheng	*	*	*	*
Bangana lippus	Pa	*	*	*	*
Danio sp.	Pa Siew	*	*	*	*
Rasbora rubridosalis	Pa Siew	*	*	*	*
Rasbora trilineata	Pa Siew	*	*	*	*
Hypsibabus vernayi	Pa Pak (yellow anal f	*	*	*	*
Hypsibabus wetmorei	Pa Pak (red anal fin)	*	*	*	*
Osteochilus striatus	Pa Khee khom	*	*	*	*
Parachela sp.	Ра Тер	*	*	*	*
Garra theunensis	Pa Saak	*	*		*
Heterobagus sp.	Pa Kayeng			*	*
Mystus rhegma	Pa Kayeng			*	*
Cyprinus carplo	Pa nai	*		*	*
Osphonemus exodon	Pa Menh			*	*
Belodontichthys dinema	Pa Khop			*	*
Tixotes microlepis	Pa Meo			*	*
Trichopsis vittata	Pa Matt		*	*	*
Trichopsis pumila	Pa Matt		*	*	*
Betta smaragdina	Pa Katt			*	*
Oreochromis niloticus	Pa nin	*			*
Total 142		84	113	139	130

Sources: Interviewed with the local fishermen and village's authorities at the Project Areas.