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Artisanal fishers in the Pacific currently catch less than 5% of the tuna caught in the western and central Pacific Ocean and will need to harvest more in future for food security.

Artisanal FADs are important tools for domestic fisheries development as they can contribute to increasing the share of the tuna catch going to Pacific communities.



WHAT ARE ARTISANAL FADS?

Artisanal fish aggregating devices (FADs) are anchored objects that are put in the ocean to attract fish.

FADs were originally designed around the naturally occurring phenomenon of floating logs or other debris including dead whales that were found to attract fish. Similarly, FADs can be used to attract tuna and other fish to a place that can be easily found by fishers.



ARTISANAL FADS ALLOW
LOCAL FISHERS TO SAVE
FUEL BY GOING DIRECTLY TO
WHERE THE FISH GATHER



ARTISANAL FADS MEAN

MORE FOOD FOR THE

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

ARTISANAL FADS

MAKE IT EASIER FOR

LOCAL FISHERS TO

CATCH PELAGIC FISH

CODE OF CONDUCT

FOR FISHERS AROUND ARTISANAL FADS



1 THINK SAFETY

Always practice sea safety and monitor the weather before going to sea.



2 BE RESPECTFUL

Do not cross in-front of, or over, other fishers' boats and gear. If you are new to FAD fishing, seek advice from experienced fishers.

3 FISH SMARTLY

Avoid trolling too close to an artisanal FAD to prevent damage to the mooring ropes, and do not deploy midwater gears close to a FAD or in-line with the mooring rope.



RECORD YOUR CATCH

Your catch records will help prove that FADs are a worthwhile public investment.



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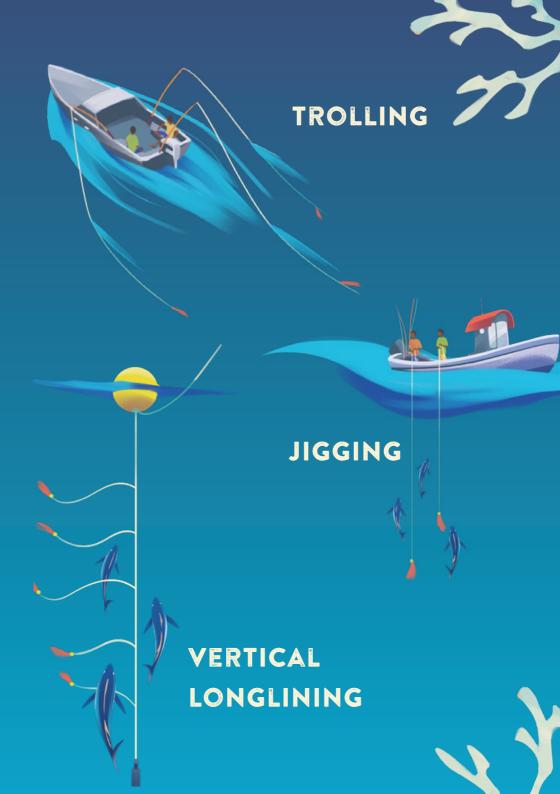
Artisanal FADs are put in place for the benefit of all. Report any damaged or lost FADs to the Nauru Fisheries and Marine Resources Authority (NFMRA).



HOW TO CATCH FISH AROUND ARTISANAL FADS

TRY THESE OUT

There are many ways to catch fish around FADs including trolling, jigging and vertical longlining. Try these out by fishing at an artisanal FAD near you.



FIND OUT WHERE YOUR ARTISANAL FADS ARE IN NAURU



CONTACT A LOCAL FISHERY OFFICER
TO GET THE COORDINATES OF YOUR
CLOSEST ARTISANAL FAD.

NAURU NEEDS YOUR HELP

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One of the biggest constraints to successful FAD programmes in artisanal fisheries is vandalism, in which the upper section of a surface FAD is intentionally cut loose. Vandalism can be combated by teaching the community about the proper ways to use artisanal FADs and the benefits they have for the community such as making it easier for fishers to have food for their families.

Nauru needs your help to advocate for the proper artisanal use of FADs on Nauru.



