



# AN OVERVIEW OF TILAPIA SECTOR IN MALAYSIA

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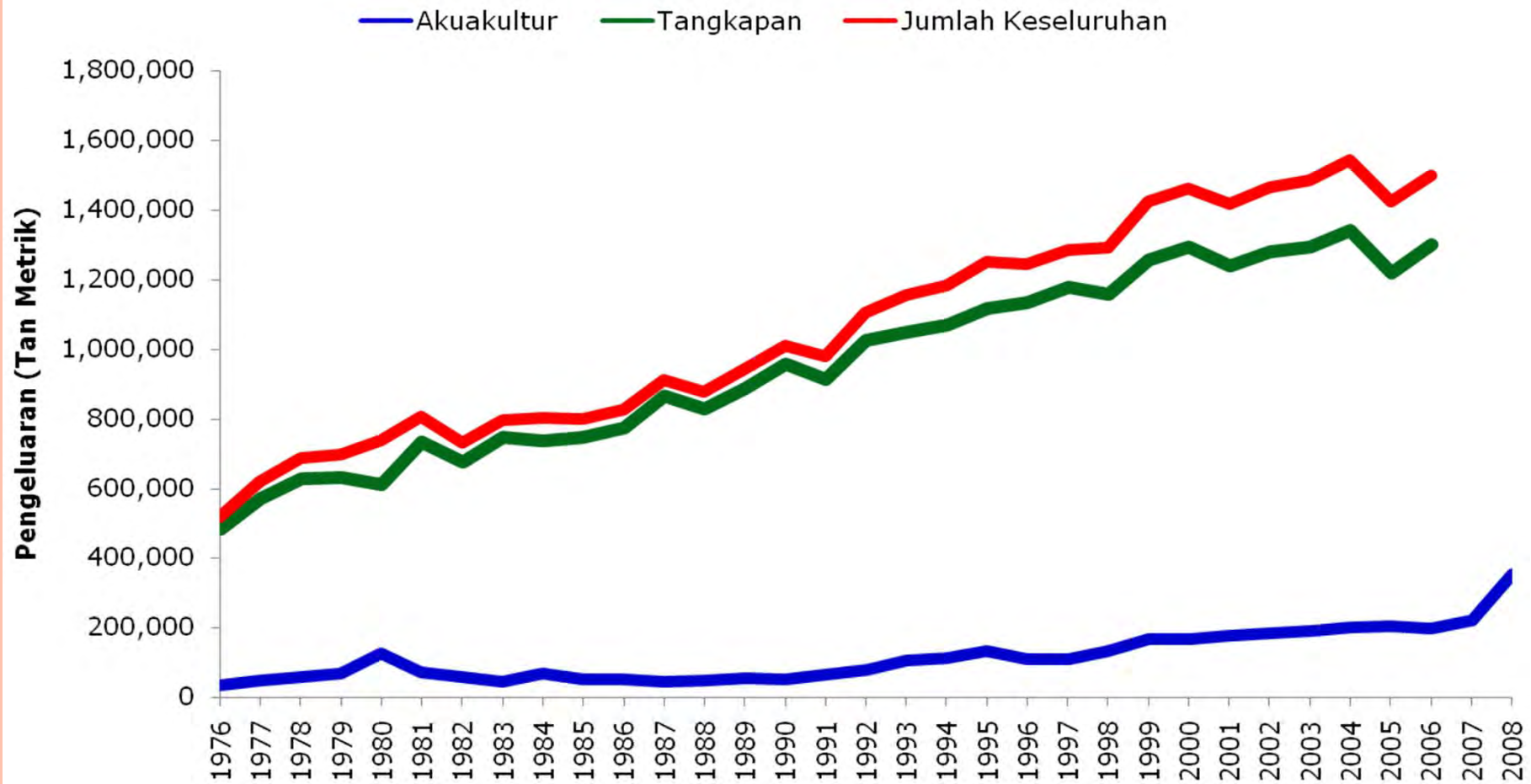
# INTRODUCTION – TILAPIA IN MALAYSIA

- In 70's - as a poor man's fish and was mainly sold in the wet and night market
- In 80's - red Tilapia became popular; more because red was a sign of prosperity and also by some restaurants who managed to concoct a very different and distinct dish
- Recently – Tilapia fillets are introduced; local and import



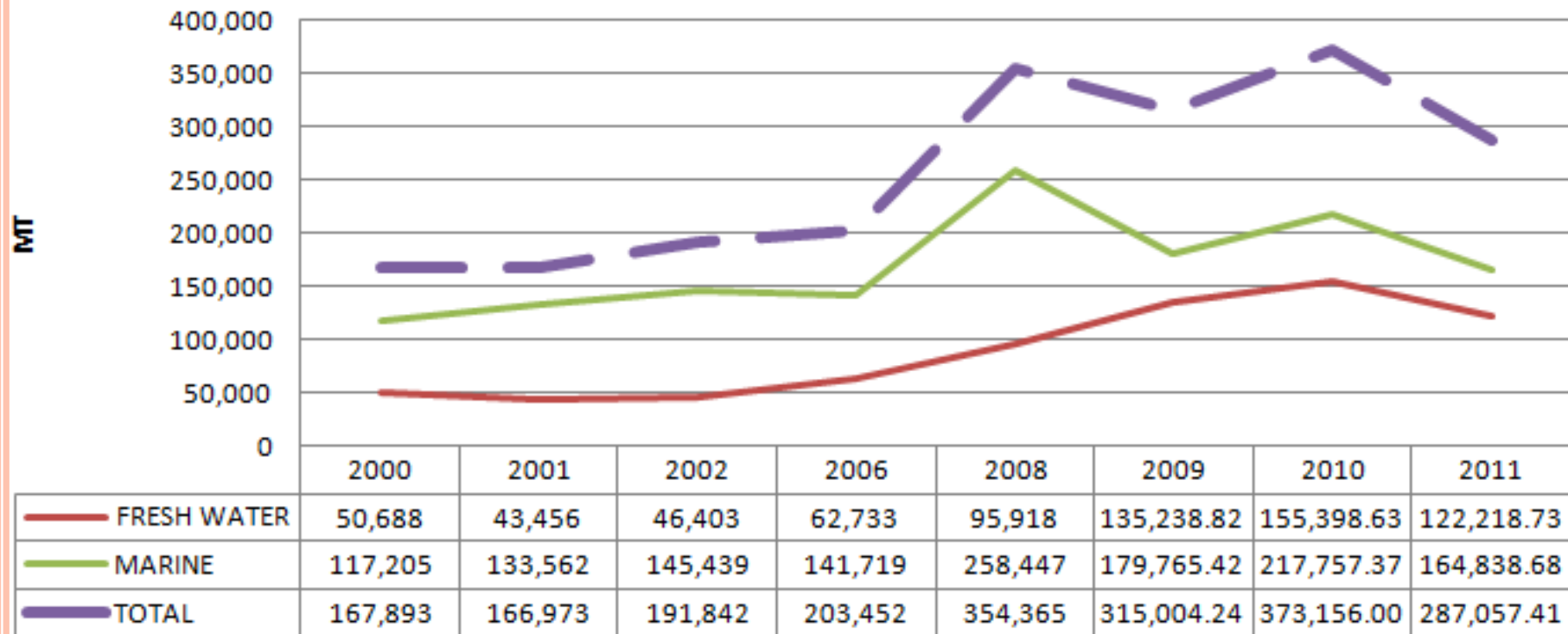
# FISHERIES PRODUCTION IN MALAYSIA

## MARINE CAPTURE VS AQUACULTURE



# AQUACULTURE PRODUCTION, 2000-2011

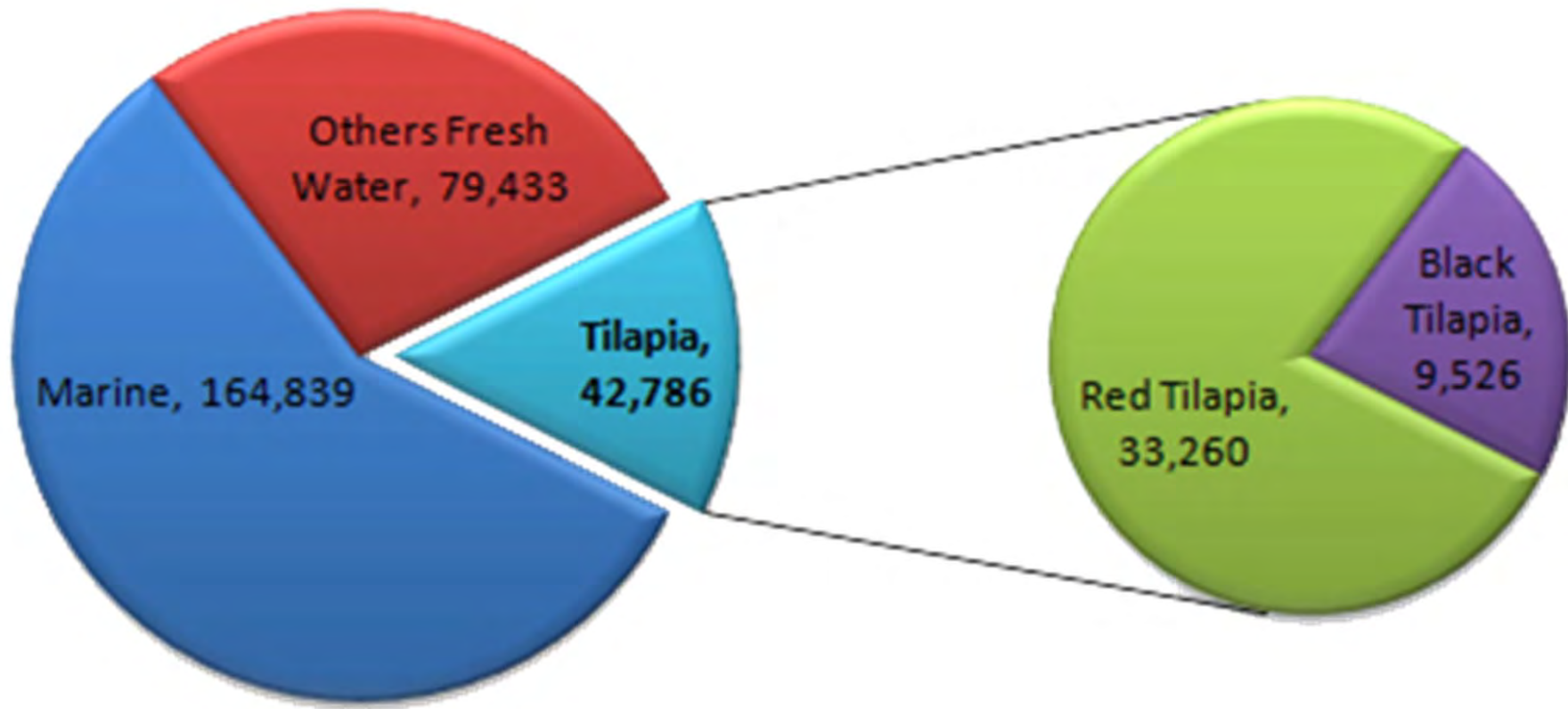
## FRESH WATER VS MARINE CULTURE





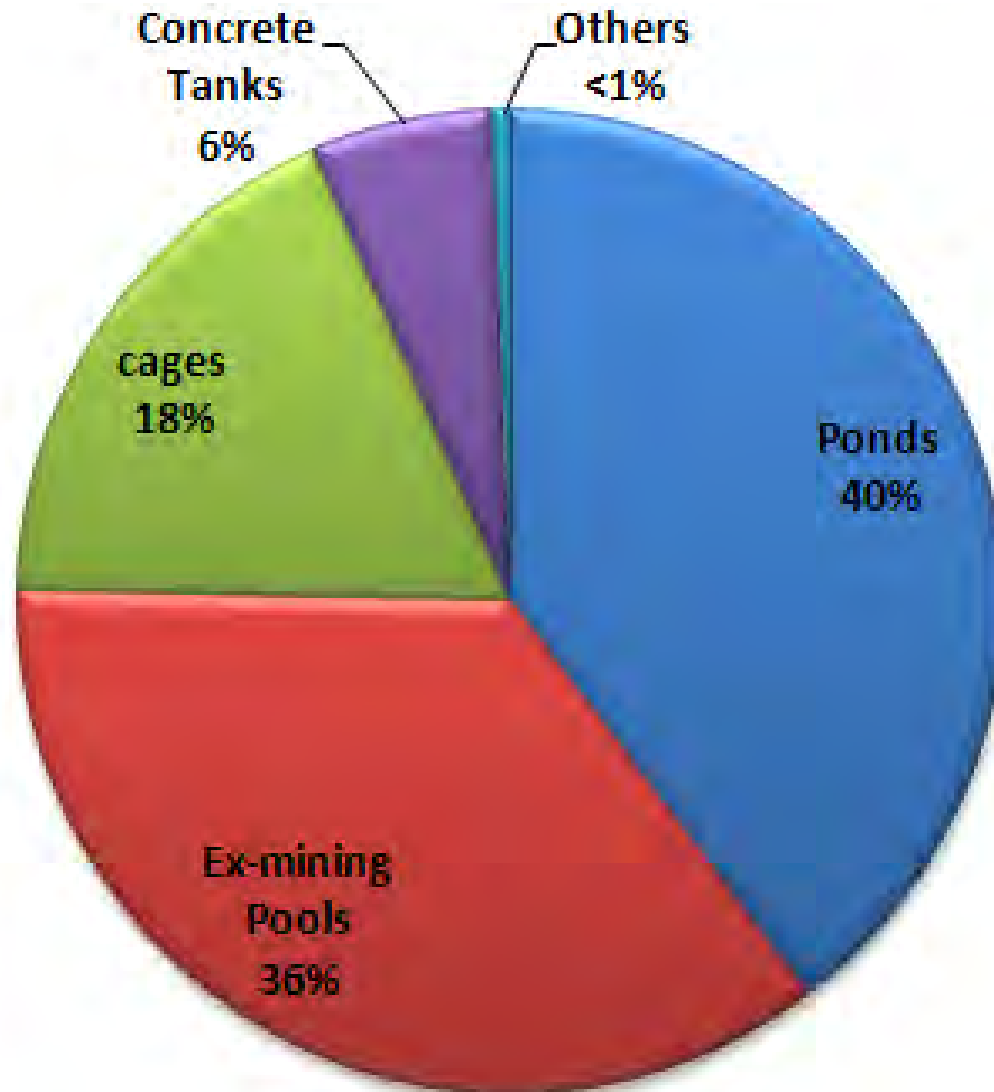
# AQUACULTURE PRODUCTION (MT) – 2011

## TILAPIA



# SYSTEM OF CULTURE – 2011

## TILAPIA



# PRODUCTION AND VALUE – 2011

## TILAPIA

|                         | <b>Production<br/>(MT)</b> | <b>Total Value<br/>(RM Mil.)</b> | <b>Avg. Price<br/>(RM/kg)</b> |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Fresh Water Fish</b> | <b>122,218.73</b>          | <b>684.15</b>                    | <b>5.60</b>                   |
| <b>Red tilapia</b>      | <b>33,259.93</b>           | <b>247.59</b>                    | <b>7.44</b>                   |
| <b>Black Tilapia</b>    | <b>9,526.30</b>            | <b>54.33</b>                     | <b>5.70</b>                   |

# LOCAL MARKET INFORMATION

## ○ Chilled Whole Fish

- Retail market and wet market
- Size : 350-600g
- Retail Price : RM8-9/kg





# LOCAL MARKET INFORMATION

## ○ Live Fish

- Restaurant
- Size : 500-1,000g
- Serving Price : RM25-35/kg



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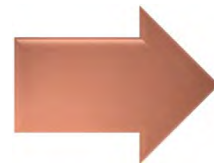
## ○ Fillets

- Supermarkets and food services
- Size : 3-5oz, 5-7oz
- Types : Skin-on, Shallow and Deep skinned



Ex-factory

- RM19-24/kg



Supermarket

- RM25-30/kg

# ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME (ETP)



- Transforming a traditionally small-scale, production-based sector into a large scale agribusiness industry that contributes to economic growth and sustainability based on an integrated and market-centric model that focuses on economies of scale and value chain integration.

## Overview of ETP

- Launched on 25 September, 2010
- part of Malaysia's National Transformation Programme
- developed-nation status by 2020
- targeting GNI per capita of US\$15,000, US\$444 billion in investments , 3.3 million new jobs.
- The Government's role in the ETP is that of facilitator, coordinating, tracking and monitoring the programme.





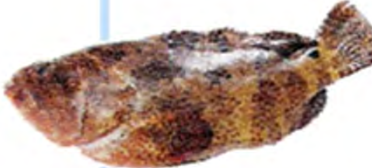


# ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME (ETP)



Grouper, sea bass and tilapia have the potential to be the primary fish species for the export market due to its strong global demand

*We have the capability...*

*... to tap into the global demand*

| Species   | Capabilities  | Global Production ('000 MT)  | Global Demand   |
|---|---|--|---|
| <br><b>Grouper</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Established grow out technology in the form of floating net cages</li> <li>Seeds are readily available</li> <li>Availability of air freight to export to targeted countries within 8 hours</li> </ul>                      | <p>Global production '000 MT</p> <p>CAGR = 16%</p> <p>70 (2007)   110 (2010 F)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Huge demand for live fish in Far Eastern countries e.g. China, Hong Kong and Taiwan</li> <li>Increasing demand from ASEAN countries e.g. Singapore and Thailand</li> </ul>     |
| <br><b>Sea bass</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Production of locally available seed can be easily scaled up to meet growing demand</li> <li>Hatchery technology has been established locally</li> <li>The operation of floating net cages has been established</li> </ul> | <p>CAGR = 10%</p> <p>21 (2000)   45 (2008)</p>                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strong and consistent demand within ASEAN countries e.g. Singapore, Thailand and Indonesia</li> <li>Can be exported in various forms e.g. live, processed and fresh</li> </ul> |
| <br><b>Tilapia</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Good stocking material has been developed internationally e.g. GIFT and GST</li> <li>Proven grow out technology through HDPE (polar circle)</li> </ul>   | <p>CAGR = 6%</p> <p>1,900 (2000)   3,370 (2010 F)</p>                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strong demand from United States especially premium fillet segment</li> <li>Increasing demand from EU and Middle East countries</li> <li>High value added potential</li> </ul> |

Source: FAO 2008, Fish Info Network



# ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME (ETP)



Several Industrial Aquaculture Zone (ZIA) areas have been identified for large scale and integrated cage farming of the targeted species



# ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME (ETP)



An anchor company approach in managing the farms require close cooperation between the industry and government to ensure success

## Anchor company

- Responsible for the overall management of the project
- Invest and develop all facilities including cages, hatchery and processing plant.
- Lease out modules of cages for individual/SME under contract farming scheme
- Provide training program for operators of the scheme
- Provide inputs to the operators such as fish seeds and feed
- Provide buy back scheme for the operators.
- Provide extension services
- Marketing of products

## Smallholders/SMEs

- Operate individual module of cages
- Attend training program provided by anchor company
- Invest in costs of operation including buying inputs from anchor company
- Have to follow the operation manual (SOP) provided by anchor company
- Contract farming/profit sharing arrangement between SMEs and anchor companies

## The Government

- Provide basic infrastructures such as jetties, access roads, electric and clean water supply.
- Create enabling environment for the growth of aquaculture such as incentives, standards, etc
- The state governments provide land/water bodies for the investors
- Incorporate aquaculture projects with local plan

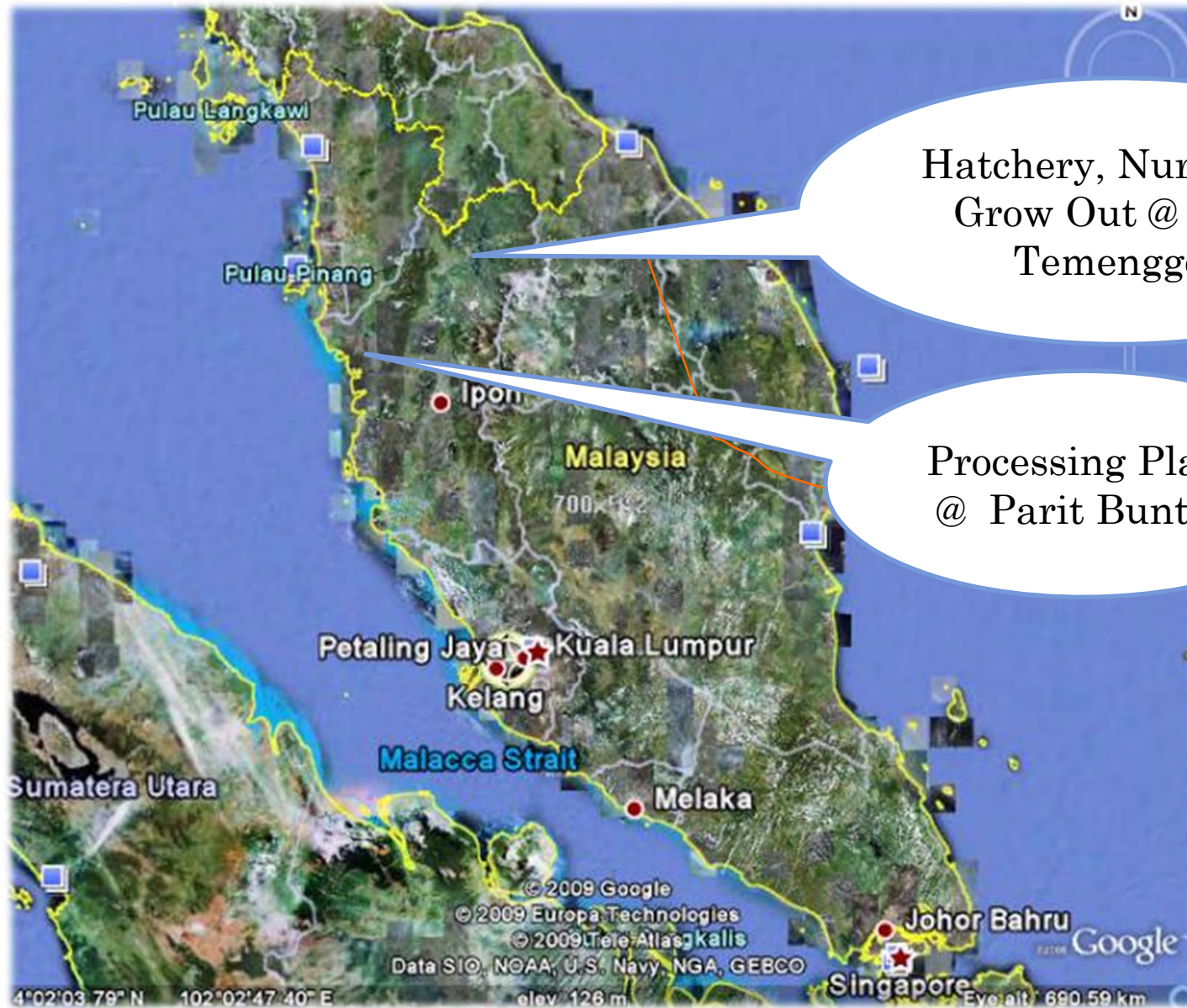


# ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME (ETP)

AN EXAMPLE : TRAPIA MALAYSIA







Hatchery, Nursery &  
Grow Out @ Lake  
Temenggor

Processing Plant  
@ Parit Buntar



# HATCHERY





# NURSERY & GROW OUT

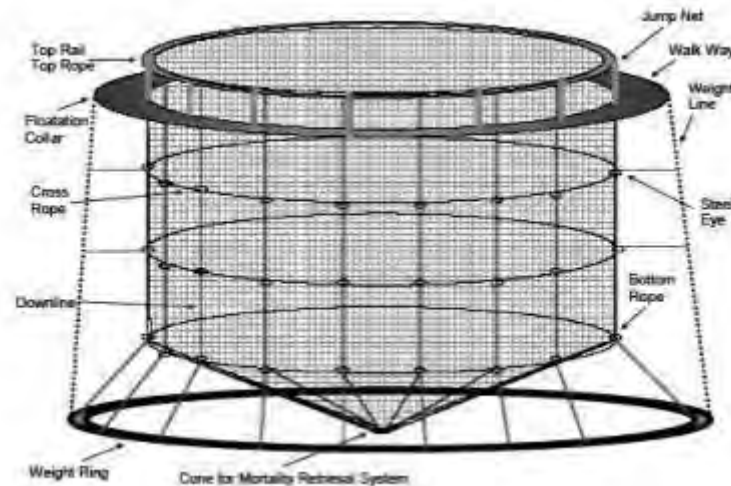
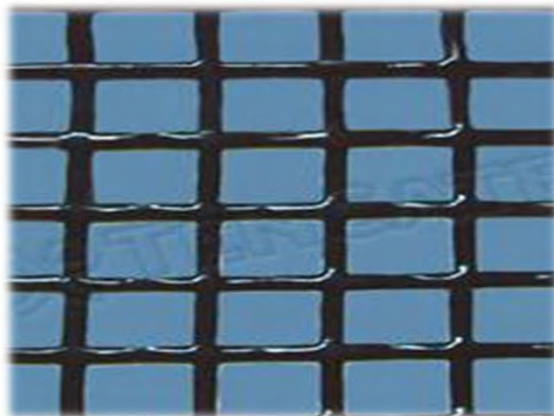


# GROW-OUT



## Aquagrid™ semi-rigid containment net system

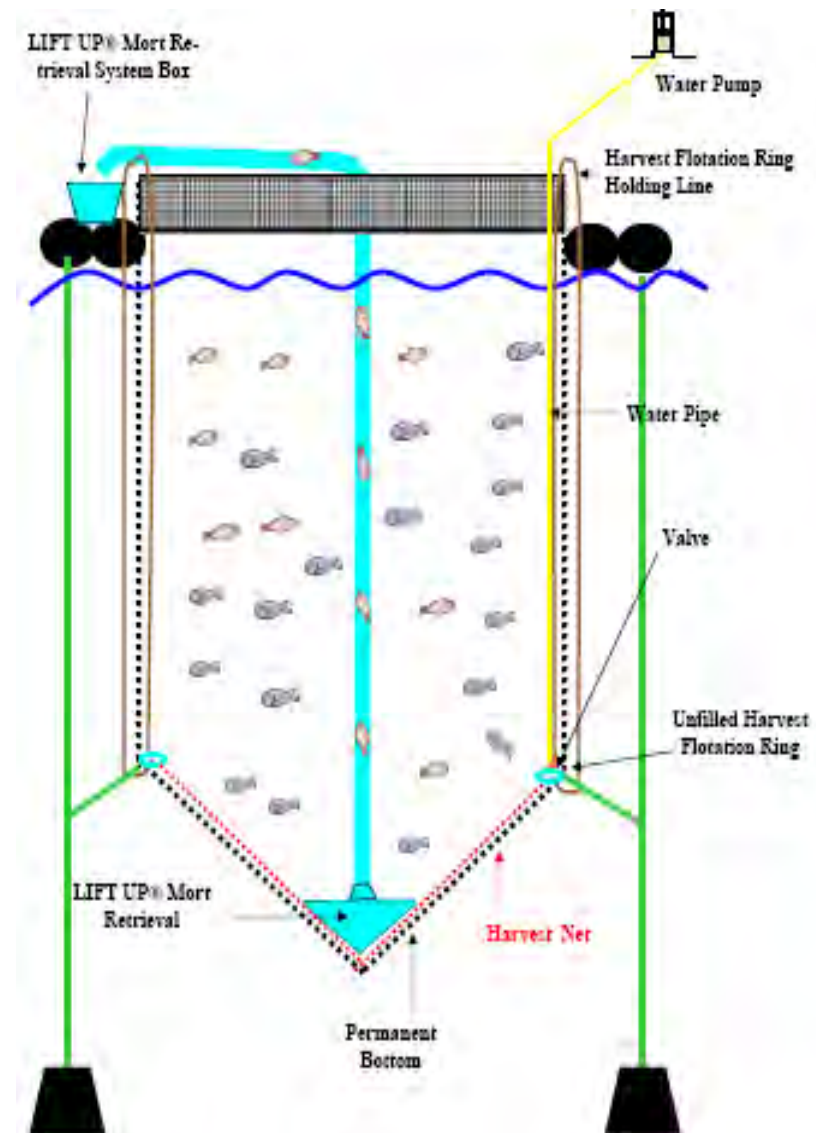
- Reduced risk of escapees and financial loss
- Non-bio fouling
- Longer lifespan compared with conventional netting
- Lower operational costs due to handling and cleaning reduction
- Enhanced flow due to semi-rigidity and non-biofouling



# GROW-OUT

## Liftup™ mortality and waste removal system

- Rapid, simple and effective mortality removal
- Removal of feed and faeces waste thus reducing environmental impact
- Reduced spread of bacteria and virus's





# PROCESSING





# PRODUCT –WHOLE FISH





# PRODUCT - FILLETS



Complies with the certification standards of international accreditation bodies such as **Global Gap**, **BRC**, **ISRTA** (International Standard for Responsible Tilapia Aquaculture), **ASC**, **EU**, **HACCP**, **SPALM** and **Halal**



# **ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME (ETP) - TILAPIA PRODUCTION BY 2020**

- Additional Production : 144, 000 MT
- Marketed as whole fish : 43,200 MT
- Marketed as fillets : 30, 326 MT
- Value : RM 1,126 millions





# Challenges

However, several challenges under ZIA programme need to be addressed to enable faster delivery and better production of the new cage farming

|                                | <i>From</i>   | <i>To</i>  |
|--------------------------------|---|--|
| <b>Management</b>              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lack of business and management skills in running the farms</li><li>• Government supervision of farms which is less effective</li><li>• No proper business model to run the farms successfully</li></ul>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Project will be managed by anchor company that will outsource certain cages/ facilities to SMEs e.g. Synergy Farming concept by an existing anchor company</li><li>• Incentives to encourage human capital development especially for production workers</li></ul> |
| <b>Integration</b>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Existing players in ZIA areas are mainly SMEs that lack capital to purchase quality inputs and cages</li><li>• Farmers that focus on grow out ponds only – cannot control quality of input e.g. fry</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Integrated cage projects will be of sufficient scale and size to make commercial farming feasible. Other ZIA areas that are small will continue with existing method of production</li></ul>   |
| <b>Land and Infrastructure</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Slow &amp; difficult land approval by state government.</li><li>• Existing players in ZIA areas are mainly SMEs that lack capital to build basic &amp; common infrastructure</li></ul>                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Utilise the allocated areas under ZIA preferably to use water bodies to shorten time to undertake a project.</li><li>• Basic infrastructures are to be provided by the government under HIP/ZIA program</li></ul>  |
| <b>Technology</b>              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conventional culture system has low productivity (i.e. non mechanised cage cleaning)</li><li>• Poor quality of seeds affect growth rate and likelihood of disease infection</li></ul>                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use of big HDPE cages with mechanization to increase productivity</li><li>• Establish Broodstock Centres to undertake broodstocks development to supply high quality broodstocks to hatcheries</li></ul>   |



# CONCLUSION

- The aquaculture industry especially the farming of Tilapia will play a very important role in achieving the stated objectives in the country's National Agro-Food policy
- However the Government has to ensure that there is a good regulatory framework in place so that the Aquaculture industry can develop in a sustainable manner to cater for future demands in fish.

