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Gender Equity and Social Inclusion (GESI) in Small-Scale Fisheries: Reflections from the Indian Sundarbans

The application of the Gender equity and social inclusion (GESI) framework in fisheries research is gaining strong grounds in recent times with the key argument that gendered analysis is critical for inclusive development in coastal ecologies. Millions of women engage in small-scale fisheries (SSF) but remain invisible in policy frameworks, which clearly demonstrates how their participation and perspectives are discounted and devalued in a male-dominated SSF sector. Building up on gendered renderings from two remote SSF sites of the Indian Sundarbans Delta, this presentation will empirically illustrate gender roles, participation, exclusions, and resistance, exemplifying not only gender vulnerabilities and exploitation but also aspirations and practices that can lead to viable transitions through transdisciplinary collaborations and actions.



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