An Analysis of Sustainable Livelihoods Assets of Fisheries Households: A Study In Manmunai North DS Division of Batticaloa District

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Abstract

The main aim of this paper is to investigate elements of sustainable livelihoods assets of fishing families in the Manmunai North DS division of Batticaloa district at the household level. Primary data was collected through a stratified sampling method in a few selected fishing villages. Secondary information was obtained from various printed resources and the internet. The study discusses the main element of sustainable livelihood elements such as human capital, natural capital, Social capital, financial capitals and physical capital in the research area. This study also recommends some feasible ways and means to improve the livelihood situation of the fishing households in the Batticaloa district.

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