

Sustainable Fisheries: Balancing Conservation and Economic Growth

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Sustainable fisheries are essential for balancing ecological conservation with economic growth in coastal and inland regions. Overfishing and habitat degradation have threatened marine biodiversity and the livelihoods of fishing communities. Promoting responsible fishing practices is critical to ensuring the long-term sustainability of aquatic ecosystems.

Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) and policies like the Blue Revolution Scheme have been introduced to regulate fishing activities and support sustainable aquaculture practices. Additionally, community-driven initiatives are empowering local fishermen to adopt sustainable practices and diversify their income sources.

Innovations in aquaculture, including cage farming and biofloc technology, are helping meet the rising demand for seafood while reducing pressure on natural fish stocks. By integrating conservation efforts with sustainable business practices, the fisheries sector can contribute to food security and economic growth.