

## THE 5<sup>TH</sup> ASIAN FISHERIES FORUM


The 5<sup>th</sup> Asian Fisheries Forum (5AFF) was successfully held at the Lotus Hotel Pang SuanKaew, Chiang Mai, Thailand from 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> November 1998 with the Aquatic Resources Research Institute, Chulalongkorn University (CHULA) as the host and organizer of the forum. Prof Piamsak Menasveta from CHULA was appointed the Chair of the Organizing Committee.

The theme of the 5AFF was ***“Fisheries and Food Security Beyond the Year 2000”*** and the forum was attended by over 700 participants from over the world.

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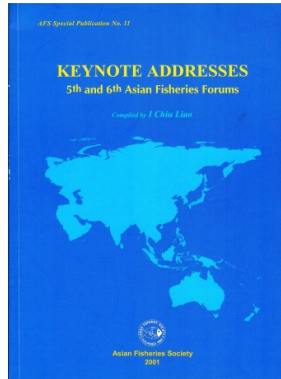
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The keynote speaker for the Plenary Session was Dr Deb Menasveta, Fisheries Consultant, FAO, UN.

 <p><b><i>Dr. Deb Menasveta</i></b> <i>Fisheries Consultant Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations</i></p>	<p><b>Keynote address:</b></p> <p><b><i>The sustainable contribution of Fisheries to food security in Southeast Asia</i></b></p>
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For full copy of the keynote addresses given above, go to AFS Special Publication No 11, 2001: ISBN 971-802-014-4 or contact the AFS Secretariat.

There was a Special Session on ***The International Symposium on the Role of Women in Asian Fisheries*** (13 November 1998, Chiang Mai, Thailand) covering country papers highlighting on the roles and contribution of women and the complexity of gender issues in the fisheries sector. A copy of the proceedings is available at the AFS Secretariat [www.asianfisheriessociety.org](http://www.asianfisheriessociety.org)



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