

# FisherFolk Net

Caribbean Network of Fisherfolk Organisations



Picture courtesy CNFO Executive Member Mr. Pamashwar Jainarine, president of GNFO. GNFO Meeting with government officials

## Fisherfolk licenses valued at USD\$30 rented for USD\$3500

**Guyana News:** Meeting with the Vice President of Guyana, the Minister of Agriculture, and team to discuss issues affecting fishermen from the area.

Some issues that were highlighted were the proposed granting of licenses to Guyanese fishermen by the Suriname government thus ending years of exploitation by middlemen in Suriname who rent licenses to Guyanese fishermen at very high prices. Licenses valued at 30 USD are rented for 3500 USD. It must be noted that these would not be new licenses given to Guyanese fishermen thus putting pressure on fish stocks but existing licenses that are taken out by Surinamese middlemen who don't have boats but take out licenses to rent to Guyanese. Other issues discussed were the removal of VAT on fishing supplies such as outboard engines, nets, ropes, thus reducing some overhead costs to the fisherfolk.

Guyana National  
Fisherfolk  
Organisation  
(GNFO)  
Vaccination Drive


2 doses of Sputnik-5 vaccine to members, the second dose was scarce but managed to get 100 shots.



# CNFO Leadership Institute

## Over 200 Caribbean fisherfolk Trained

The Leadership Institute is expanding on mentorship where it will allow all modules to be facilitated by fisherfolk leaders in the region including youths and women. Additionally, a module has been included in this year's training. MODULE 9 on how to prepare for meetings, facilitate meetings, make decisions at meetings, and activities after meetings. ***This bonus module will be held on Thursday 9th December 2021.***

Catch 2021 course: 

## List of Trainings 2020-2021

Collaborating Partner	Course	Period: From - To	Participants: (m); (f)
-	Fisheries Policy and the Caribbean Community: Understanding the SSF Guidelines and CCCFP	1 December 2020 – 19 January 2021	32 fisherfolk participants (18 males, 14 females)
UWI-CIRP	Piloting ICT for Governance: Module 1: ICT for FFO Governance & Module 2: Information Management and Record-Keeping	October – November 2020	21 participants (10 males, 11 females) from 11 FFOs.
UWI-CERMES	UWI- CERMES Policy Engagement training (Module 1 CCCFP/SSF Guidelines protocol), Module 2 Representation, Module 3 representation	April 16, 18 and 23 <sup>rd</sup> 2021	99 participants (42 males, 57 females)
UWI-CERMES	UWI-CERMES Women and Youth Training	From April – May 2021	43 Participants ( 14 males, 29 females)
CANARI	CANARI income generation training	31 <sup>st</sup> May 2021	25 Participants (15 males, 10 females)
CANARI	CANARI Institutional Strengthening through implementation of microgrant	27 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	22 Participants (9 males, 13 females)

## CNFO LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

### ONLINE TRAINING:

Training Module 1: Exploring leadership **31st August 2021**

Training Module 2: Working with groups **14th September 2021**

Training Module 3: Facilitating the development of group vision, mission and goals **28th September 2021**

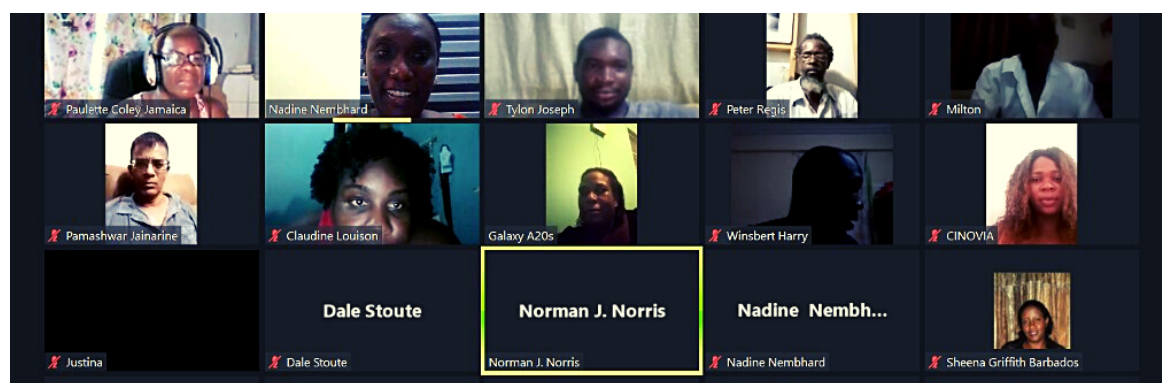
Training Module 4: Advocacy, representation, negotiation and conflict resolution **12th October 2021**

Training Module 5: Relation management **26th October 2021**

Training Module 6: Communications and Networking **9th November 2021**

Training Module 7: Institutional identity and integrity **23rd November 2021**

Training Module 8: Administration and operation **7th December 2021**





# STORIES FROM CARIBBEAN FISHING SECTOR



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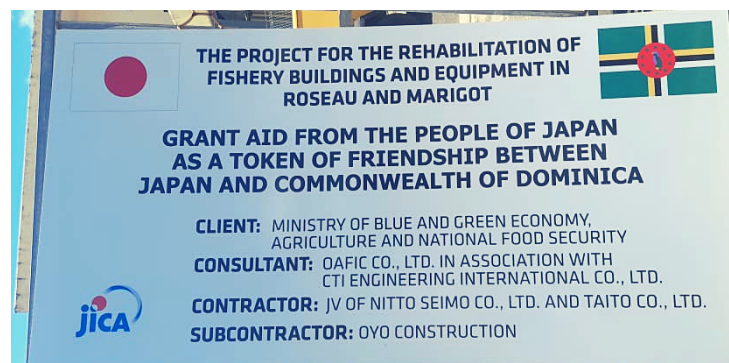
## BAHAMAS

New Fisheries Minister in the Bahamas. Minister with responsibility for Agriculture, Marine Resources, and Family Island Affairs, Hon. Clay Sweeting.

Hon. Sweeting is a native of the strong Bahamas fishing community of Spanish Wells and brings a wealth of industrial knowledge to the sector. CNFO Chair Adrian LaRoda (President BCFA) expressed pleasure in the appointment and looks forward to working on fisher initiatives.

## DOMINICA

According to NFO leader Mr. Earl George the rehabilitation of fisheries buildings project will be executed on the basis of a grant agreement between the Government and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) Valued At approximately XCD\$27 million.



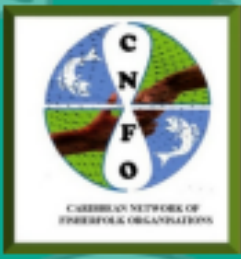
## ST. VINCENT AND GRENADINES

After 5 years of lobbying the government, St. Vincent and Grenadines fisherfolk and the NFO are happy to announce that they have received their fisherfolk license.

NFO Chair Mr. Winsbert Harry explained its importance- for safety at sea, also the lending institutions were asking for an Identification Card.



Photo Credit: Winsbert Harry



# INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF ARTISANAL FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE



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SUSTAINABLE SMALL-SCALE FISHERIES IN THE CONTEXT OF FOOD SECURITY AND  
POVERTY ERADICATION (SSF GUIDELINES) AND THE THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY





# CARIBBEAN SMALL-SCALE FISHERIES ARE CRITICAL TO CARIBBEAN LIFE GUIDANCE TO SUSTAINING CARIBBEAN FISHERIES IS FOUND IN



Food Security



Healthy



Livelihoods



Identity



Way of Life

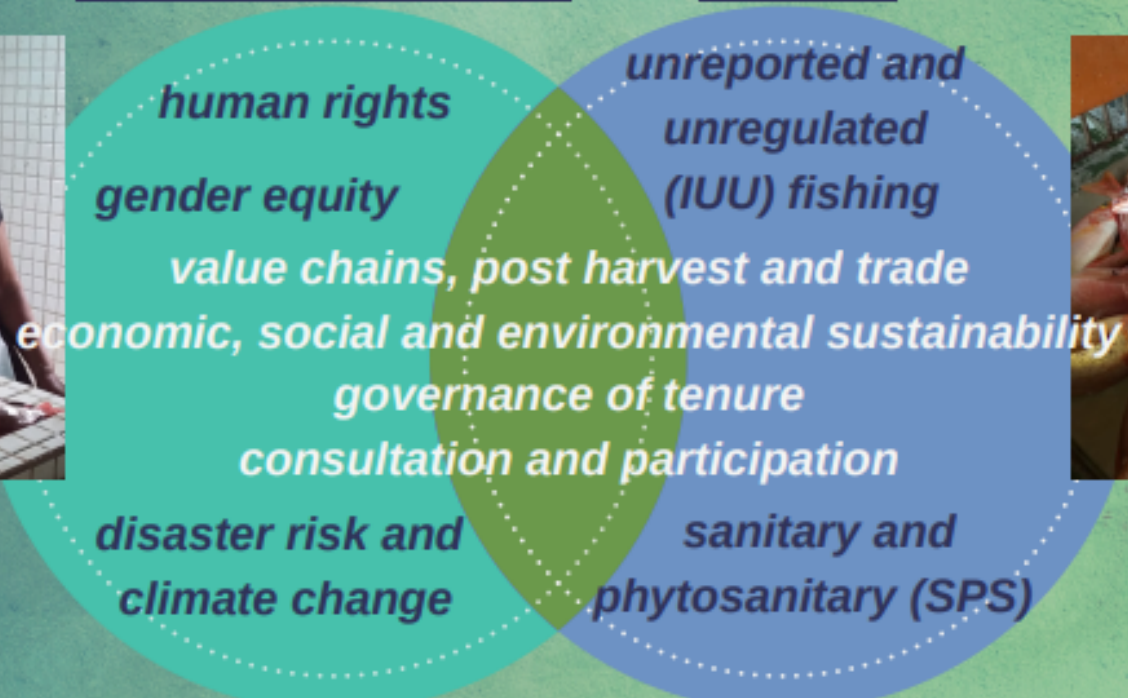


*The Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries in the Context of Food Security and Poverty Eradication ([SSF Guidelines](#)) and the The Caribbean Community Common Fisheries Policy ([CCCFP](#))*

## SECURING CARIBBEAN SMALL-SCALE FISHERIES NOW AND FOR THE FUTURE

SSF GUIDELINES

CCCFP





# Meet Shane Caesar



- : 24 fabulous years on the earth
- : Guyanese National living in Montserrat and accomplishing his dreams while having fun along the way
- : Passionate and lover of the sea.
- : Fisher, scuba diver , Glass Recycler.
- : Calypsonian

## PROJECTS:

- CNFO continues to work on gender equity including capacity building for women and youth in collaboration WHYHUNGER.
- STEWARDFISH project ended 31st July 2021. CNFO agreement ended 30th April 2021 but continued to collaborate with other partners in implementation of their activities.
- CC4FISH Project extends to March 2022. CNFO agreement ended 1st March 2020 but continues to collaborate with other partners/members in implementation of their activities.
- CNFO is collaborating with CANARI on Darwin Plus Cefas Project in building fisherfolk organisations in British Virgin Islands.

## Mark Your Calendar:

Leadership Training under  
CNFO Leadership Institute  
Starting 31st August 2021

74th GCFI Fort Walton  
Virtual, November 8 - 12,  
2021

International Fisherfolk  
Day 21st November 2021

Ask about the  
World Forum Fisher Peoples  
(WFFP)

Working Group - Ocean  
Grabbing, Food Sovereignty  
and In land Fisheries.

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