Government Notice No. 110 of 2009

## THE FISHERIES AND MARINE RESOURCES ACT 2007

## Regulations made by the Minister under section 74 of the Fisheries and Marine Resources Act 2007

- 1. These regulations may be cited as the Fisheries and Marine Resources (Fishing of Sea Cucumbers) Regulations 2009.
- 2. In these regulations
  - "sea cucumber" means a fish belonging to the holothuroid class; "undersized sea cucumber" means any sea cucumber which is less than 15 centimetres in length.
- 3. Subject to regulation 4, the Permanent Secretary may authorise the fishing of sea cucumbers on such terms and conditions as he thinks fit.
- 4. No person shall fish -
  - (a) any undersized sea cucumber; or
  - (b) any sea cucumber from 1 January to 31 March in a year.
- 5. No person shall land, have in his possession or sell any undersized sea cucumber.
- **6.** Any person who contravenes these regulations shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 500,000 rupees, or the US dollar equivalent.
- 7. (a) Notwithstanding the other provisions of these regulations, no person shall fish any sea cucumber from 1 October 2009 to 30 September 2011.
- (b) Any person who fishes any sea cucumber from 1 October 2009 to 30 September 2011 shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 500,000 rupees, or the US dollar equivalent.
- 8. The Fisheries and Marine Resources (Fishing of Sea Cucumbers) Regulations 2008 are revoked.
- 9. These regulations shall come into operation on 1 October 2009.

Made by the Minister on 28 September 2009.