

Policy Briefs

What are Policy Briefs?

STREAM Policy Briefs (PBs) are an attempt to share beneficial lessons that are learnt from local practice or from research. They are short and feature policy issues.

They are designed to be read quickly, to highlight key issues and to lead the way to further information sources on a topic. They are to enable people, institutions and policy makers to use new tools and mechanisms which support aquatic resources management in ways that benefit the livelihoods of people who are poor.

Who are they for?

Policy briefs are intended for use by:

- Policy makers
- Policy implementers
- Community Organizers
- Non-government Organizations
- Government Organizations
- Donors
- Anyone else who may find them useful

Who develops and produces them?

Policy Briefs may be developed by people with useful lessons to share (farmers and fishers, people who work with them, specialists). The STREAM Initiative is facilitating this process: working with others, developing the design, translating their meaning into many languages and sharing them widely.

The Policy Brief series is produced by the Support to Regional Aquatic Resources Management (STREAM) Initiative of the Network of Aquaculture Centres in Asia-Pacific (NACA).

Where can I get them from?

Policy Briefs are available through STREAM Communications Hubs across Asia Pacific in a range of local languages, the STREAM Regional Office in Bangkok Thailand and the internet at

< <http://www.streaminitiative.org/Library/PolicyBrief/index.html> >

What Policy Briefs are available?

Policy Brief Number 1 ***Consensus Building*** draws on experiences of farmers, fishers, local, district, state and national government and non-governmental stakeholders supported by the UK Government DFID Natural Resources Systems Program project R8100 'Investigating Improved Policy on Aquaculture Service Provision to Poor People', which ran from March 2002 to April 2003, to identify, test and promote mechanisms for the delivery of improved rural services critical to the development of rural livelihoods, with emphasis on services in support of aquaculture.

Policy Brief 2 *Livelihoods Approaches in fisheries and aquaculture* draws on experiences from the FAO Technical Cooperation Project 'Assistance in Poverty Alleviation through Improved Aquatic Resources Management in Asia-Pacific', of sharing understanding of livelihoods analysis and livelihoods approaches.