



DECREASING TREND IN PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN FISH MARKETING IN PATNA (BIHAR)

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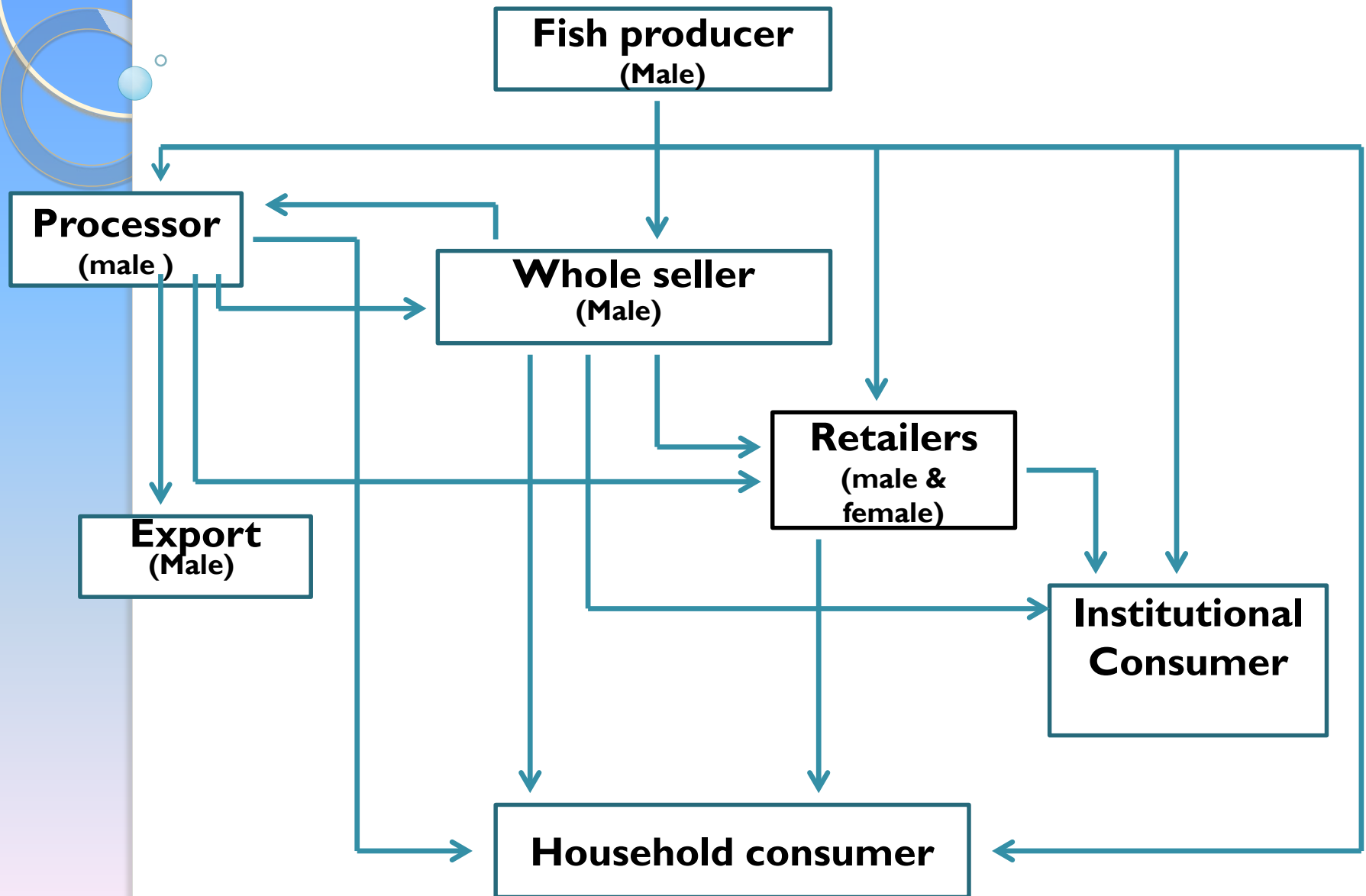
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Introduction:

- Fish retailing has been mainly women's domain all over the country, both in the inland and marine sector.
- *Generally the women are taking the responsibility of processing, selling – purchasing of fish, along with taking care of family.
- * In Bihar, The system of fish retailing is under both hands i.e. men and women.

Fish Marketing System (Patna)



Introduction: Patna

- Capital of Bihar (2nd largest city of Eastern India), situated near River Ganga.
- Population: 1,683,200 (Approx.)
- Demand of fish/day: 28000 metric Tonnes
- Whole sale market: Bazar Samiti, Musallahpur hat.
- Various places for fish seller but that is very small area in comparison with fish consumer.



Patna : Fish Available in market

Whole fish
Live n Ice preserved



Few marine fish

some crustaceans

~~Not available: cut n processed
and packed fish~~



Fish Market in Patna

Remarked places by Govt.	8 places
General places:	Road side (Foot path), inside colony, n some local places
Movable place:	Some vender moving in residential areas.
River side:	some caught fishes of Ganga n Sone river.
Near local fish ponds:	sub urban areas of Patna, some natural water logged areas (Jalla kshetra) etc.

Study :

Sites study:

- Site selection (5 most popular)
- Survey on different sites (4 days)

Interview:

- With Men n Women fish seller
- Consumer

Analysis:

- Available old reports
- With Time and sites

Study Sites: Fish Market (Remarked)

Ratio of women: men



1: Boring Road Chawk (9:11)



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2. Hartali More (8:4)



3. Raza bazar Fish Market (2:8)

Study Sites: Road Side

Ratio of women: men



Ashiana More (4:10)



Hartali More (3:0)



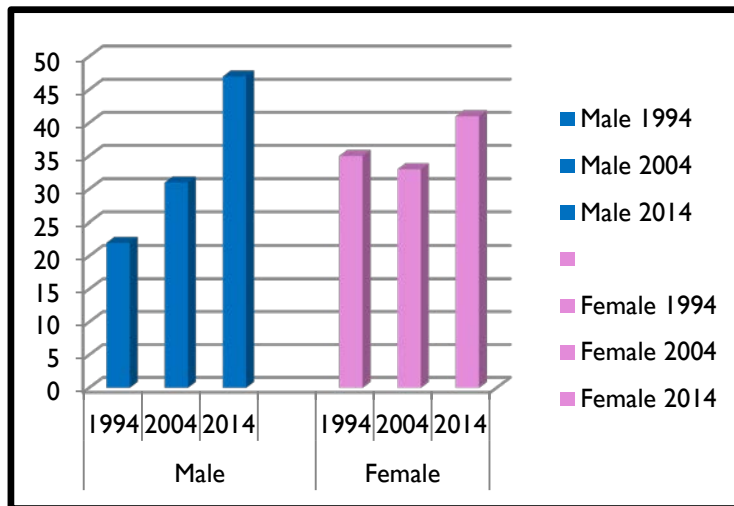
Boring Road Chawk (1:5)



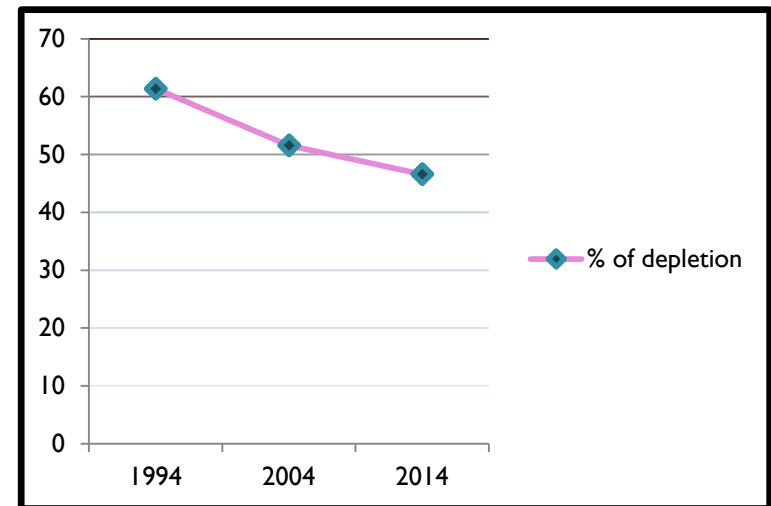
Bailey Road (2:5)

Results:

In 2 decades the % depletion of women in Fish Marketing system is as: (1994-2004 n 2004-2014)



No. of men and women retailer or seller



% of depletion in women retailer or seller

Reason behind depletion

Lack of Security and Safety.

Afraid of harassment

Hygiene and sanitation

Domestic work load

Literacy

Lack of Life skill....

Lack of concept, knowledge and awareness

More reason:

- Culture fisheries constitute one-ninth (1/9th) of the total fish production in all over India.
- Bihar this share comes to about 20-24 % only. The remaining % comes from the capture of wild stock of fish generated by nature in the rivers and other water bodies.
- That capture work is for limited time and done by limited person. Also their marketing are being carried out by those persons whose main profession is not fish farming but something else.
- **Shifting from traditional cultural work to other work..**
- About Patna , Fisherman (men) are living near around to city area with nuclear or small joint family and they are mostly busy in Fish retailing/ selling. Because of no other engagement.

Action Should be taken: as

- To ensure the fishery work for those who are fishermen by tradition and by birth.
- Emphasis should be laid more on culture fishing than on capture fishing.
- Strengthen the 'extension service system and human resource development' to improve the knowledge, skill, attitude and practice of women engaged in pisci-culture.
- E- learning, and Hi-technological study program also needed for fishery community.
- No "Eat, Drink & Beat" program in home by man.

Recommendation:...

Insure safety and security

Care about hygiene and sanitation

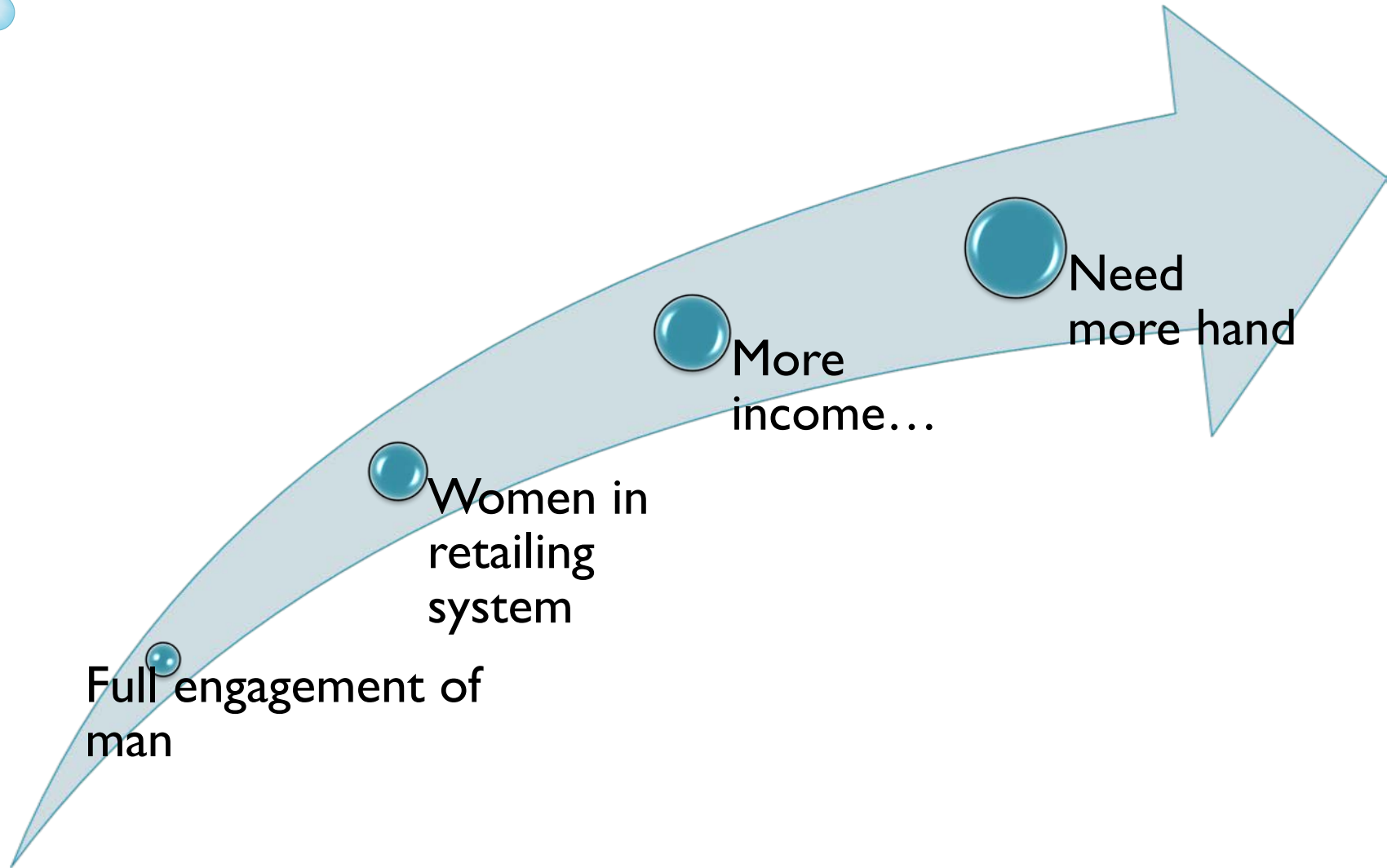
Skill development program

Concept about women in fishery sector

Proper education and awareness program

Insure participation in seminar/ conference and training program
for women (come in couple)

Out come:



Not Like that....





Thanks..