

Republic of the Philippines
MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Diliman, Quezon City

FISHERIES ADMINISTRATIVE)

ORDER NO. 143 :
Series of 1983)

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SUBJECT: Banning the Exportation of Live
Prawns (Sugpo) of the Species
Penaeus monodon.

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 4, 7 and 18 of Presidential Decree No. 704, as amended, otherwise known as "the Fisheries Decree of 1975", for the conservation and protection of fish and fishery/aquatic resources, the following rules and regulations banning the exportation of live prawns (sugpo) are hereby promulgated:

SECTION 1. Definition. - For purposes of this Order, prawns (sugpo) refer to aquatic animals of the species Penaeus monodon and commonly known as giant or jumbo tiger shrimps which have 7 or 8 rostral teeth or spines; postrostral carina not grooved, adrostral carina does not go beyond the first epigastric tooth or spine; hepatic carina horizontally straight; the body is grayish and with black bands; marginal hairs of swimmerets and legs are reddish; anterior portion of tail fan grayish violet and would grow to a length of 13 inches.

SEC. 2. Prohibition. - It shall be unlawful for any person, natural or juridical, to export or cause to be exported live prawns (sugpo) of whatever size.

SEC. 3. Penal Clause. - Any violation of this Order shall subject the offender to a fine of from Five Hundred Pesos (₱500) to Five Thousand Pesos (₱5,000) or imprisonment from six (6) months to four (4) years, or both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the Court: Provided, That the Director of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources is hereby empowered to impose an administrative fine of not more than Five Thousand Pesos (₱5,000) and summary confiscation and forfeiture of the live prawns (sugpo) including the containers thereof in favor of the Government thru the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources for proper disposition.

SEC. 4. Repealing Clause. - Fisheries Administrative Order No. 141 and all existing administrative orders, rules and regulations or any part thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. Effectivity. - This Administrative Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette and/or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

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