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查獲非法電魚 第3岸巡總隊成功出擊

Successfully busting illegal electrocution fishing, the Coast Patrol Corps 3 scores triumph

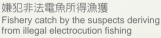
合行政院海巡署94年第1波加強查緝行動,中部地區巡防局第3岸巡總隊於94年1月20日,在台中縣大安鄉下龜殼守望哨左前方50公尺堤防外,查獲漁民王〇旺從事非法電魚,因涉嫌違反漁業法,故立即依法逮捕,並將該員帶回偵辦調查。

1月19日晚間十一時許,犯罪嫌疑人王 〇旺前往下龜殼海堤外捕捉鰻苗,於20日 凌晨2時30分,溫寮安檢所安檢員下士呂凱 倫接獲值班下士林岐禹通知,有漁民疑似從 事非法電魚,便立即攜帶蒐證器材於2時35 分抵達事發地點,先在前方堤岸實施監控及 蒐證,於3時20分該安檢員親眼目睹漁民手 持疑似電魚工具放入水中,進行電魚之行 為,遂會同所內中士王福興前往逮捕,此時 發現該漁民有拉扯電線行為,隨即依涉嫌違 反漁業法第48條第1項第3款規定之現行 犯,將王姓漁民帶回溫寮安檢所進行初步偵 訊,後移交3總隊司法小組偵辦。 S upporting the Coast Guard Administration's first found of 2005 stepped-up crackdown action, the Coast Patrol Corps 3 of the Central Coastal Patrol Office has successfully intercepted a fisherman, Wang XX-wang, engaged in illicit fishing by electric zapping, 50 meters off the breakwater embankment to the front left of the Shiagueiker watch station in Da An Township, Taichung County, allegedly violating the Fishery Law, where the fisherman is placed under arrest and taken back to the office for further interrogation.

At around 11:00 in the evening of Jan. 19, the suspect Wang XXwang has gone down by the Shiagueiker sea embankment attempting to catch baby eel. At around 2:30AM in the early morning of the 20th, Wenliao Inspection office's corporal inspector Lu Kai-lun has received a call from corporal Lin Chi-yu, citing that there is a fisherman suspected of engaging in illegal fishing by zapping, and who has immediately gone down to the incident site at 2:35AM carrying evidence gathering devices. Upon conducting surveillance and evidence gathering at the front embankment, the inspector witnesses the fisherman dipping a fish zapping device into the water at 3:20AM, carrying out fish zapping routine, and who has moved forward alongside corporal Wang Fu-hsiung to place the fisherman under arrest. At this point of time, the suspected fisherman is seen puling electric cord, and is placed under arrest for allegedly violating item 3, part 1 of Article 48 of the Fishery Law, who is caught red-handed and taken back to the Wenliao inspection office for initial questioning, and pending further interrogation by the judicial unit of the Coast Patrol Corps 3.

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該嫌疑人已有多項毒、電魚前科,但該 員於偵訊期間對其所從事之行為並無悔意, 並一再辯稱,自己是用電燈照射海面以吸引 魚群,再用網子來捕撈魚,不是用電魚的方 式。對於現場查獲的竹竿和網子上有捆綁電 線並且接到電瓶,他也宣稱是上次電魚沒有 拆下,在聽到朋友說有鰻苗可以抓,趕在退 潮前去,急忙之下沒有注意就去抓魚,對其 所犯事實刻意避重就輕。惟就現場查獲嫌犯 所使用之魚竿和漁網皆捆有電線,並接附在 電瓶上,以及該員所得漁獲等證物皆顯示確 有電魚之情事,故將其移送法辦。

每到鰻苗豐富的季節,漁民圖一時的便 利來增加漁獲量,便從事非法行為,因此毒 電魚事件時有所聞,該行為嚴重破壞生態平 衡,並造成環境污染,爲衆人所憎惡。3總 隊隊員查緝非法不遺餘力,甫於年初便成功 查獲非法電魚事件,相信在隊員們的努力之 下,將使非法行爲無所遁形,以保我海洋自 然生態的美好完整。(作者任職於第3岸巡 總隊機動組) The suspect has had many prior fish poisoning and zapping offenses, and remains adamant during the interrogation process without showing signs of repentance, who repeatedly argues that he merely tries to draw schools of fish using electric light, and nets are used to trap the fish, rather than zapping them with electric current. As to the bamboo stick and mesh wire strapped with electric cord, which is linked to a power battery, found at the scene, the suspect argues that it was left behind from his last fishing expedition, and pays no attention as he rushes to catch fish hearing from his friends that there are baby eels around, attempting to circumvent his criminal acts. Yet, as far as the fishing pole and fishing net linking to a battery operated by the suspect and seized on location are concerned, all evidence point to the suspect to have indeed involved in fish zapping, hence the suspect is placed under arrest.

During the eel harvesting season, to seize the influx of fish, it is not uncommon for the fishermen to risk engaging in illicit conducts, making fish zapping by electric power a common occurrence, a conduct that severely jeopardizes the eco-balance, create environmental pollution, and is resented by all. With no efforts spared in cracking down illicit fish zapping incidents, the office's successfully intercepting illegal fish zapping early in the year not only serves as a good example deterring the illicit conduct but also inductive in upholding Taiwan's natural ecology intact and beautiful.

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