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Fisherman in Western Ghats, India
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Identify and work with IUCN Commission Specialist Groups, Task Forces, and Committees in Commissions to share information on mutual objectives in freshwater, and ensure these objectives are well linked and build off each other. (KSR 3)

Number of collaborations: 0

Resilient description: We have continued to develop a network of SSC-side Specialist Group members who have an interest in freshwater and have arranged Zoom calls to discuss areas of shared interest. This has included discussions on how we might contribute to IUCN Green Status of Species, and we have an upcoming meeting on how to link SSC freshwater projects with those of the Freshwater Biodiversity Observation Network of GEOBON (Group on Earth Observations Biodiversity Observation Network). We have also been focusing on how Red List assessments can be used by the Specialist Groups and other partners in IUCN and external to IUCN. The Global Freshwater Fauna Assessment was completed in 2023 by the Biodiversity Assessment and Knowledge Team in the IUCN Secretariat. Following this, Monika Bham, Freshwater Coordinator for the Global Center for Species Survival, Indianapolis Zoo; Catherine Sauer, Biodiversity Assessment and Knowledge Team, and Freshwater Conservation Committee members have consulted with colleagues across SSC, IUCN Member Organizations, and other external partners to identify a series of applications of these data to scientific publications and other outputs. Members of the Freshwater Conservation Committee have worked with members of the SSC

Marine Conservation Commission and WCPA Freshwater Specialist Group to promote the 'aquascapes' concept, i.e., linked source-to-sea approaches for aquatic conservation, through three seminar sessions on 'Integrating Marine Protected Areas Across Aquascapes' - one session at the International Marine Protected Areas Congress in February 2023, one session in June 2023 as part of the Reverse The Red webinar series, and one session for the online Nature for Life Hub in 2023. Also, Freshwater Conservation Committee members have been working with the SSC Marine Conservation Committee and the CEM Fisheries Expert Group in establishing the

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Number of governments supported
develop species conservation policies: 0
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