

Southeast Asian Aquaculture Program Getting Good Reviews in Indonesia

USSEC's aquaculture program in Indonesia successfully demonstrated better production technologies for cage production of tilapia. Local Coordinator Dr. Gede Sumiarsa worked with a cooperater at the Kedungombo Reservoir to stock eight Low Volume, High Density (LVHD) cages with fish that had been brought to a stocking size using USSEC-formulated feeds produced by a local feedmill. The demonstration farmer expressed surprise and pleasure at the rapid growth and high survival of the fish using the new soy-optimized feeds, which are also significantly higher quality than the feeds normally used by the farmer. As a result, the farmer said he is looking forward to seeing how the use of the LVHD cage production technology will further improve his operation's overall productivity. Other local cage farmers are also closely watching the demonstration to see if it would be worthwhile for them to change production approaches.



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