**Fish Conservation** 

Helping communities to sustainably conserve and manage their fish stocks



## PROBLEM

- Rapid population growth
- Increased number of fishermen
- Overfishing resulting in poor fish catches and biodiversity loss
- Fishing with nets made from hundreds of mosquito nets
- No ownership by the local community
- No enforcement
- The government is underresourced









## SOLUTION







- Local ownership
- Fish Conservation Committees established
- Simple bylaws adopted and enforced
- **Communities confiscate** illegal fishing gear and fine fishermen
- Fish breeding areas are protected
- Fishers catch larger fish with larger meshed nets
- More fish, bigger fish, more money