



## **National Platform for Small Scale Fish Workers (NPSSFW) National Conference 2022**

### **Resolution on Women Fish Workers**

NPSSFW National Conference 2022 observes that –

- In spite of being half of the workers engaged in the fisheries sector, the women fish workers are more marginalized and discriminated against than their male counterparts in terms of livelihood opportunities, work load, remuneration, government assistance, social security and status.
- The weak participation of women in organization and leadership deprives the fish workers' organizations including NPSSFW of the great potential strength of women fish workers and weakens the fish workers' movement.
- Much more effort needs to be mobilized to help the women fish workers' self-empowerment so that gender justice prevails in fisheries and women fish workers participation and leadership in the organization is ensured.

In view of the above NPSSFW resolves that –

- There should be statutory enforcement of measures to stop discrimination against women fish workers in terms of work load and remuneration;
- The women fish workers should be provided with special schemes to support their livelihood activities and social security;
- The women fish workers should get preferential access in all general schemes for livelihood activities and social security in fisheries.

NPSSFW urges upon all fish workers organizations affiliated to it to take special effort to help organize women fish workers to protect and promote their livelihood and ensure their active participation in organizational activities including leadership.

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