TRAINING OF FISHERMEN

The Fisheries Training and Extension Centre (FiTEC), located at Pointe aux Sables, organises training programmes to cater for the training needs of fishermen and other operators of the fisheries sector. FiTEC has adequate facilities to provide courses in a variety of fields such as, fishing techniques, fishing around fish aggregating devices (FADs), coastal navigation, safety at sea, seamanship and fish handling amongst others.

FiTEC provides the following courses:

- General Course for Fishers – A six week course designed exclusively for artisanal fishermen who have applied for registration as professional off lagoon fishermen.
- Fish Aggregating Devices Fishery – A three week course for artisanal fishermen willing to fish around FADs
- Training in Fish Handling, Preservation and Marketing – A five half day course for licensed fishmongers

FiTEC has also planned for the year 2012 and onwards, a training programme for fishermen on aquaculture.

FiTEC may organize ad-hoc training courses subject to demand or as the Ministry may propose for the benefit of the fishermen and other stakeholders of the fishing industry.

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