

Seven sightings of dolphins were recorded by the survey vessel MFV Blue Marlin – Dec 2022

FSI, Port Blair: MFV Blue Marlin carried out for the regular exploratory tuna resources survey along the North East region of Andaman Sea. Simultaneously the vessel also carried out Marine Mammal Stock Assessments survey and during the voyage seven sightings of dolphins were recorded from the surveyed area extended between 11-12° N and 93-94° E with a depth range of 525-1680 m. A total number of 25 dolphins were recorded out of which few of them were identified as Spinner Dolphin (*Stenella longirostris*) and the others were unidentified.

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