## Project Update: November 2019

The following project was the execution of fieldwork in three marine protected areas in Brazil, where the following objectives were achieved:

a) Recognition of fieldwork areas<sup>1</sup>

## Activities to date:

The following activities were undertaken: (a) field survey of the three marine protected areas and first contact with the communities.

The fieldwork was carried out in three marine protected areas in Brazil (1) Caeté-Taperaçu Marine Extractive Reserve (*Photo 1*); (2) Tracuateua Marine Extractive Reserve (*Photo 4*); and (3) Araí Peroba Marine Extractive Reserve (*Photo 6*).



Photo1 - Caeté-Taperaçu Marine Extractive Reserve. Taperaçu Porto, Pará, Brazil. 2019. © Indira Eyzaguirre

The main socioeconomic activities in this marine protected area are artisanal fish extraction (Photo 2), crab extraction (Photo 3), shellfish for own consumption and sale in the region. In the same way, the users of this protected area also practice family farming consequences of the pandemic. However, activities will resume once the restrictions in Brazil are lifted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fieldwork in Brazil is delayed according to the initial schedule due to the



Photo 2 - Caeté-Taperaçu Marine Extractive Reserve. Tamatateua Porto, Pará, Brazil. 2019. © Indira Eyzaguirre



Photo 3 - Caeté-Taperaçu Marine Extractive Reserve. Vila do Castelo, Pará, Brazil. 2019. © Indira Eyzaguirre.



Photo 4 - Tracuateua Marine Extractive Reserve. Pará, Brazil. 2019. © Indira Eyzaguirre.



Photo 5 - Tracuateua Marine Extractive Reserve. Pará, Brazil. 2019. © Indira Eyzaguirre.



Photo 6 - Araí Peroba Marine Extractive Reserve. Augusto Correa, Pará, Brazil. 2019. © Indira Eyzaguirre.

In the MER of Tracuateua (Photo 4) they also practice artisanal fishing using materials made by themselves or acquired by hand (Photo 5) and family farming. Only one community is within this marine protected area, however there are many in the buffer zone.

The socioeconomic characteristics in the Araí Peroba MER are similar to the two previous areas. In this area, communities are more dispersed, so recognition in the field will help to better focus the scope of this project in Brazil.