Update Project: October 2020

We held an online talk about conservation statue and management of mobulids including the devil ray (Mobular mobular) at Savu Sea, East Nusa Tenggara on 7 September 2020. This event was held through a Zoom meeting and shared through Youtube live streaming on Bionesia account (please visit https://bit.ly/33V9Mdy to watch this talk). In this event, we collaborated with Nusa Cendana University in East Nusa Tenggara, Misool Basefin, Indonesian Manta Project, and Balai Kawasan Konservasi Perairan Nasional (BKKPN). The purpose of this talk was to build capacity and gather the stakeholder that has programme concerning conservation and sustainability of mobulids or other elasmobranchs at Savu Sea. There were 333 participants from 28 provinces that attended this online event, with 43% male participants and 57% female that come from various backgrounds, such as students, government organisations, and lecturers.

During this project update, we also managed to collect samples from Nangalili, Manggarai. Twenty samples from Nangalili and Solor have been analysed using microsatellites methods using with eight different primer or loci.
Figure 2. The devil ray (Mobular mobular) has been measured by our team (left); and the snapshot of the devil ray (right)