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To
The Editor in Chief
Journal of Marine Science

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to submit an original research article entitled “Preliminary findings on distribution of Bali sardinella (*Sardinella lemuru*) in relation to oceanographic conditions during southeast monsoon in Bali Strait using remotely sensed data” for consideration for publication in Journal of Marine Science.

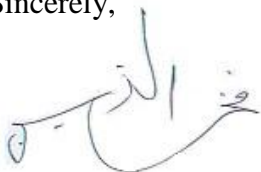
In this manuscript, we showed how new remotely sensed data, Visible Infrared Imaging Radiometer Suite (VIIRS) boat detection, can be used to detect fishing boat for Bali sardinella (*Sardinella lemuru*) in Bali Strait. In addition, from the remotely sensed data, this manuscript showed the oceanographic condition in Bali Strait and the preferred oceanographic condition of *Sardinella lemuru* in Bali Strait.

We believe that this manuscript is appropriate for publication by Journal of Marine Science because it suitable with the focus and scope of the journal. Our manuscript creates a new paradigm for future studies on detect of fishing boat location by using remotely sensed data and can be used to support fisheries management decisions.

This manuscript has not been published and is not under consideration for publication elsewhere. We have no conflicts of interest to disclose.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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