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Oral Presenter 3 – Dhanya Kandarattil (Asmabi college, India), Livelihood diversification among the fisherfolks of Kerala Coast of India 

This talk is to explore the level and relative contribution of the determinants of livelihood diversification across different regions and demographic conditions among the fisheries folks in Kerala, India. 

Three factors of livelihood diversification are: 1) Risk related diversification 2) Economic related diversification 3) Psychological related diversification. Livelihood diversification was high in the fishers those who are engaged in motorized fishing. The lack of interest in the younger generation to take up the fishing field as a profession is another reason for the occurrence of livelihood diversification. 

The government should undertake actions and programs to uplift the living conditions of the fisher folks through proper governance and developmental initiatives; Initiatives should be taken to keep the fishermen in their own traditional employment coupled with programs facilitating their revenues which ensure the sustainability.























