

**14.5.3. Batangas State University – The National Engineering develops and supports programs and incentives that encourage and maintain good aquatic stewardship practices.**

The Backyard Tilapia Farming Project trained 15 inland pond beneficiaries in Batangas on good management practices for the culture of tilapia. For these 15 beneficiaries, fingerlings and feeds were provided for the duration of two cropping seasons. In addition, monthly monitoring sessions were conducted to check on the status of the ponds and if any adjustments (e.g. feeding rate, water changes) are necessary. The project was able to harvest 4 tons of fresh tilapia and trained 15 beneficiaries on good aquatic stewardship practices.