



## MORAUTA INVESTMENT LTD - DELTA SEAFOODS

Delta Seafoods was established in 1992 by Sir Mekere Morauta and is currently managed by his wife, Lady Roslyn Morauta. The prawn fishing company is Delta Seafoods and is operating under the bigger company name, Morauta Investment Ltd.

Delta Seafoods owns and operates three prawn trawl boats namely; Lare Mori, Keauta and Ma Mori and it also manages another prawn trawler, FV Elema from Elema Holdings, bringing the total of prawn trawlers to four.



• Black Tiger prawns. They are normally exported head on.

The company fishes around the Gulf of Papua Waters around Kerema Bay and Orokolo Bay and their target species are black tiger prawns, banana prawns and endeavour prawns. All sorting, grading, processing packing and freezing is done on board. Between fishing trips, 4 or 5 days are spent in Port Moresby unloading and refuelling.

It employs a staff of 80 people both on the trawl boats and office administration. They have recently moved their office location from the Steamships Slipway area at the end of the main wharf to the Konedobu area.

The company exports every month depending on the catches and is usually in lots of two containers if the catch is good, otherwise it does one container of 924 boxes of shrimps per month of export. Their exports are normally done through two dry container ships; the Pacific Condor and the Pacific Falcon. About 75% of the exports go to the Japanese markets, 20% to the Australian market of mainly Melbourne and the remaining 5% go off to Vanuatu. A small percentage is sold locally to restaurants in Port Moresby and a few hotels in the country.

Delta Seafoods is the leading prawn trawling company in Papua New Guinea. Being the leader in the prawn industry, Delta Seafoods pursues to set the pace for other players to produce supreme quality products to export markets.



• White Banana prawns are exported headless.

At the moment, the company is exporting well over 10 tonnes of fresh frozen shrimps per month. The company has been quite consistent in servicing its current markets in Japan & Australia.

With an exceptional track record in superior service delivery and processing of high quality products, the company is determined to maintain current market share with the view to tap new lucrative export market.

Being an established company with the necessary facilities couple with years of experience in the prawn industry, Delta Seafoods is better positioned to fully capitalise on current market opportunities.

The National Fisheries Authority is aware that lack of harbour facilities adjacent to the fishing grounds and poor communication facilities in the area have forced the companies to establish bases in Port Moresby. Larger vessels use freezer and on-board processing facilities. The vessels remain at sea for extended period of time (about four weeks). The fishing takes place on a 24 hours basis for about 200 days per year.



• Delta Seafoods prawn trawl boats; FV Ma Mori, FV Elema (top), and FV Keauta and FV Lare Mori at bottom.



• Mr Tete Serei, Freezer Manager, keeping count of the export boxes.

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• Grading of shrimps on board FV Keauta.



• Endeavour prawns are exported headless.



• Clearly labelled boxes of frozen natural shrimps for export.

## Main Business Activities

Prawn Trawling, Processing & Marketing

## Export Product

Fresh Frozen Shrimp

## Current Production Capacity

200,000 kg per annum with an average export of  
10,000 kg per month

## Current Export Markets

Japan, Australia & Vanuatu



• One of Delta Seafoods' main export ship, Pacific Condor.

For further information on the activities of the National Fisheries Authority, please contact:



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