

# GIFT "Genetically Improved Farmed Tilapia": All Male Tilapia Fingerlings with Greater Yield and Uniformity



Greater yield and uniformity in tilapia farming

The technology involves predominantly growing male tilapia. This can be achieved through various methods such as manual selection, hormone treatment, or natural techniques. Specifically bred tilapia (GIFT) is recommended for commercial farming.



This technology is **TAAT1 validated**.

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Scaling readiness: idea maturity 8/9; level of use 8/9

Gender assessment

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Climate impact

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## Problem

- Mixed-sex tilapia culturing often leads to lower yields and non-uniform harvests.
- Manual sex selection at the beginning of the production cycle is time-consuming.
- Hormonal alteration of fry involves the application of  $\alpha$ -Methyltestosterone, which may pose concerns regarding its use in feed and its impact on fish health and the environment.

## Solution

- Utilizing improved lines of tilapia breeds can enhance the effectiveness of manual selection, hormonal treatment, YY male technology, and GIFT.
- Crossbreeding strategies can produce 100% male offspring, improving mono-sex tilapia production efficiency.
- Careful management of brood stock selection in hatcheries, focusing on younger brooders free from wounds and parasites, ensures high-quality and abundant fish seed production.

Cost: \$\$\$ **100 USD**

Stocking rate of 1,000 fish per cubic meter of water

**0.1 USD**

Cost of one month mono-sex fingerlings in Kenya

**300 - 900 g**

Weight of male fingerlings stocked in cages in 5 to 8 months of culture

ROI: \$\$\$ **30 %**

Harvest volume increased



Patent granted



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Technology from

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Commodities

Fish

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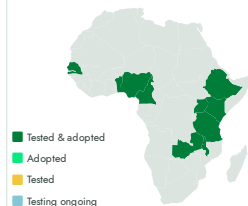
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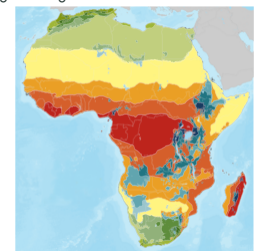
- [Hapa Nets for Fingerling](#)

Tested/adopted in



Where it can be used

This technology can be used in the colored agro-ecological zones.



Target groups

Breeders



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