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#### **Research highlights**

- We report findings from the largest study of aquaculture value chains ever conducted in Myanmar
- Contrary to conventional wisdom, we find rapid emergence of large numbers of small and medium commercial fish farms.
- Small/medium farms have emerged alongside the still-dominant large farms, to create an aquaculture sector with a dualistic structure.
- The great majority of the sector serves the domestic market; only a small share of farmed fish are exported.
- We find a "quiet revolution" in the off-farm components of the value chain, with rapid emergence of small and medium enterprises upstream from farms, supplying seed and feed.
- SMEs have also proliferated in the midstream of the value chain, after the farmgate, in wholesale and logistics.

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