



19-LITRE CUMMINS THE BENCHMARK

for fishing fleet

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The fisheries sector has for decades played an important role in Malaysia's economy, and it is off the west coast of Peninsula Malaysia that Cummins' greatest influence in the sector is evident.

Here, the 19-litre Cummins KTA19 dominates. In fact, around 600 KTA19 engines from 500 to 600 hp can be found in vessels - mainly trawlers - working the fishing grounds off the state of Perak.

This is believed to be the highest concentration of 19-litre Cummins engines in one region in the world, with the KTA19 claiming around 90 percent share of its market segment.

"The KTA19 has a very good reputation for reliability and durability, and a life-to-rebuild of 30,000 hours is not unusual," said Jason Chong, general manager for Cummins Sales and Service Malaysia.

He adds that the fishing fleet off the coast of Perak is a major user of Cummins Valvoline Premium Blue oil, with around 300,000 litres being sold over a 12-month period for servicing the KTA19 engines.



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Spectacular growth of Malaysia's fisheries took place in the '60s and '70s. In fact, the country's licensed trawler fleet grew from just a few vessels in the early '60s to 4,500 by 1981.

It was during this period that the Cummins brand began to make its mark as the engine of choice. First, the NH220 became the leader in the industry and it was followed by the NT855 which in turn was superseded by the KTA19.

The Cummins-powered trawlers are a vital component of the fisheries sector. Although small in terms of percentage of licenses issued, their significance is underlined by their contribution to the overall landings.

The most recent figures that could be sourced (for year 2011) showed that trawlers landed a total of 367,642 tonnes on the west coast of Peninsula Malaysia, while total trawler landings for Malaysia were 661,751 tonnes.

Overall landings in 2011 for licensed Malaysian fishing vessels were 1,373,106 tonnes.

The KTA19 is one of the most successful engines ever produced by Cummins and its popularity in the Malaysian fishing fleet reflects its reputation around the world where it's regarded as a benchmark in the toughest applications. ■



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