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ABSTRACT

This study was conducted to determine the effect of feeding frequency patterns on the growth parameters of *Clarias gariepinus* fingerlings. Four hundred and eighty (480) African catfish fingerlings were reared under two different feeding patterns. Fingerlings under first feeding patterns (P_1) were fed during day-light and for fingerlings under two feeding patterns (P_2) were fed on full-day basis. Both feeding patterns have different feeding frequencies; one time feeding, two times feeding, three times feeding and four times feeding. The daily amount food consumed was found to be affected directly by both feeding frequency and food deprivation time. Based on the results, the growth rate was found to be lower in fingerlings fed once daily, while as the feeding frequency increase. The growth rates of fish in P_2 were always higher than those of fish in P_1 . When the feeding frequency patterns were practiced, the food conversion ratio increase and the results ranged from 0.9504 – 1.3598. The percentage of consumed food that used for basic metabolism and growth increased with feeding frequency for both P_1 and P_2 . However, the gross efficiency was reduced with frequency increase. The best value of gross efficiency is 0.966 which fingerlings fed twice daily at day-light basis. Within these results, the optimum feeding frequency was determined and the maximum growth rate is obtained. A value energy budget occurs.

ABSTRAK

Kajian ini telah dijalankan untuk mengkaji kesan kekerapan memberi makanan pada waktu yang berlainan terhadap parameter tumbesaran anak ikan keli Afrika (*Clarias gariepinus*). Empat ratus lapan puluh anak ikan keli Afrika telah dikawal di bawah dua waktu yang berbeza bagi kekerapan makanan yang berlainan. Bagi anak ikan di bawah jenis pemakanan pada waktu yang pertama (P_1), akan diberi makan sebanyak satu kali, dua kali, tiga kali dan empat kali pada waktu siang sahaja. Manakala bagi anak ikan yang di bawah jenis pemakanan pada waktu yang kedua, akan diberi makan sebanyak satu kali, dua kali, tiga kali dan empat kali pada waktu siang dan malam. Jumlah makan yang diberi pada setiap hari mendapat kesan secara terus daripada kedua-dua kekerapan makanan dan juga waktu pemakanan ikan. Berdasarkan dari keputusan yang di perolehi, kadar pembesaran anak ikan sangat rendah apabila di beri makan satu kali sehari sahaja. Kadar pembesaran anak ikan akan meningkat apabila jumlah kekerapan makanan juga meningkat. Kadar pembesaran anak ikan pada P_2 sering tinggi berbanding anak ikan pada P_1 . Apabila kekerapan makanan yang berlainan diamalkan, nisbah pertukaran makanan akan meningkat seiring dengan peningkatan kekerapan makanan dan julat nilainya ialah di antara 0.9504–1.3598. Jumlah peratus makanan yang digunakan untuk metabolisma dan tumbesaran meningkat sejajar dengan peningkatan kekerapan makanan yang diberi. Walaubagaimanapun, pembesaran secara berkesan menurun apabila kekerapan makanan meningkat. Nilai yang paling bagus untuk parameter ini ialah 0.966 di mana anak ikan di beri makan sebanyak dua kali sehari pada waktu siang sahaja. Berdasarkan keputusan ini, jumlah kekerapan makanan yang optimum telah diketahui dan tumbesaran paling tinggi juga di perolehi. Nilai anggaran tenaga di perolehi.