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Photo: Peru Pesquero

- In Tacna and Arequipa, artisanal fishermen participated in a 48-hour strike, blocking the Pan-American Highway and the Costanera.

Starting today, dozens of artisanal fishermen from Tacna and Arequipa observed a 48-hour strike to protest the reduction in fishing quotas and the presence of foreign vessels, mainly Chinese, in Peruvian waters.

During the strike, the fishermen blocked several major highways, including the Panamericana Sur and the Costanera, which affected traffic in the southern regions of the country.

According to La República, fishermen say the reduction in fishing quotas is severely impacting their livelihoods, while large foreign vessels continue to catch huge quantities of fish on the high seas without the restrictions they face.

During the day of protests, demonstrators warned that if they don't receive a favorable response from the authorities, they will further intensify their measures and extend the strike to other fishing areas in the south of the country, such as Ilo.

Today's demonstration disrupted freight and passenger transportation. Trucks and buses were held up for several hours on blocked roads.

If their demands are not met, fishing leaders warned, they are prepared to continue and intensify their measures in the coming days.



## Absence of squid

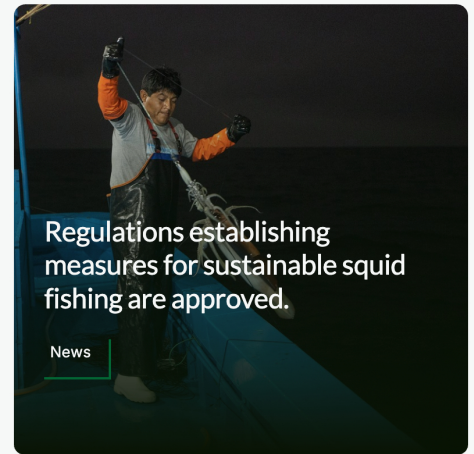
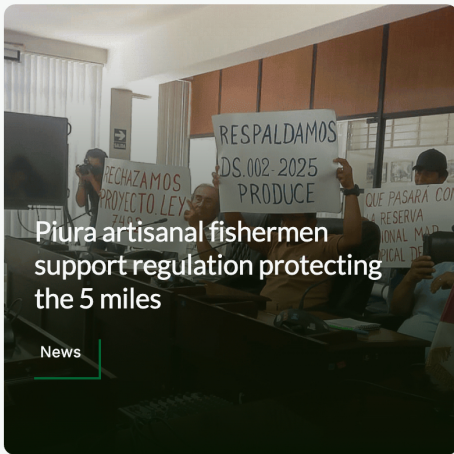
In recent weeks, the rising price of squid in the markets has attracted attention. Artisanal fishermen complained that [the presence of Chinese vessels is causing a shortage of this resource](#) , although the Peruvian Marine Institute (IMARPE) stated that the low presence of this species is due to environmental conditions.

Regarding the presence of foreign vessels in Peruvian waters, [Supreme Decree 014-2024-PRODUCE](#) was published on September 26. It establishes measures to prevent, deter, and eliminate illegal, unreported, and unregulated (IUU) fishing. It also establishes provisions for the control and monitoring of foreign fishing vessels.

### Fact:

- The Peruvian Society of Environmental Law (SPDA) analyzed the aforementioned regulation and highlighted four key points. [Read the report here](#) .

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