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Reports indicate that some traditional fishermen carry out diving-aided traditional fishing to catch fish within 10 meters deep waters, the meat quality of which is believed to be preferable. Accordingly, the fishermen access oxygen from boats through the help of long pipes.

Such mode of fishing is highly risky unless it applies the necessary equipment, according to Mr. Debesai Gebregziabher, a diver.

The experts further indicated that the practice could also cause paralysis, cancer, eardrum rupture, itch and other health problems.