

ABSTRACT

Roberto Mittun Sihombing, 2018. Effectiveness of the Use of Maggot (*Hermetia illucens*) For Feed on the Growth of African Catfish (*Clarias gariepinus burchell*), Preceptor I Dr. H. Uus Toharudin, M.Pd. and Preceptor II Drh. Nia Nurdiani, M.Si

*This study entitled "The Effectiveness of the Use of Maggot (*Hermetia illucens*) For Feed on the Growth of African Catfish (*Clarias gariepinus burchell*)". The purpose of this study was to provide solutions and alternative uses of maggot (*Hermetia illucens*) to the community in Sindangrasa Village, Banjasari District, Ciamis Regency, West Java. Basically maggot (*Hermetia illucens*) can be used as an alternative food for the growth of African catfish (*Clarias gariepinus burchell*). Maggot (*Hermetia illucens*) which has been tested against dumbo catfish during a period of 21 days or 3 weeks of research. The research was conducted using the Experimental Method with a Complete Random Series (RAL) research design consisting of 4 treatments and 5 groups. The parameters measured in this study are the growth of fish weight and the length of African catfish with a predetermined time period. Climatic elements that help the growth of African catfish (*Clarias gariepinus burchell*) are water temperature and water pH. Maggot in this study was divided into several concentrations starting from (P1) 100% maggot feed, 75% (P2) artificial feed plus 25% maggot, (25% P3) artificial feed plus 75% maggot, and (P4) maggot 100 feed %, while artificial feed is used as a control without the maggot mixture, P1 (100% artificial feed). Data shows that from 4 treatments given to the growth of catfish that catfish treatment experienced the fastest growth occurred in African catfish in P3 which were given 25% artificial feed plus 75% maggot with an absolute length of 14,2 cm and absolute obstruction of 18, 6 grams.*

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