Table 2 Concentration of heavy metals accumulation (µg g -1 dry wt.) in fishes collected from Pazhayar (unpolluted area)

Metal	*Thalassoma trilobatum* (mean ±SD)	*Parapercis heropthalma* (mean ±SD)	*Saurida tumbil* (mean ±SD)	*Pseudorhompus javanicus* (mean ±SD)	*Apogon quadrifasciatus* (mean ±SD)	*Priacanthus humrur* (mean ±SD)	*Stomias* spp. (mean ±SD)
Cd	0.12 ±0.01	0.14 ±0.05	0.13 ±0.02	0.08 ±0.02	0.12 ±0.01	0.15 ±0.02	0.13 ±0.01
Co	0.02 ±BDL	0.01 ±BDL	0.04 ±0.01	0.01 ±0.04	0.01 ±BDL	0.05 ±0.06	0.06 ±0.07
Cu	0.06 ±0.01	0.18 ±BDL	0.31 ±BDL	0.14 ±0.08	0.14 ±0.04	0.22 ±0.05	0.22 ±0.07
Fe	1.42 ±BDL	3.74 ±0.09	8.05 ±0.04	3.59 ±0.08	3.61 ±0.07	4.91 ±0.12	4.52 ±0.26
Mg	28.35 ±1.69	16.63 ±2.23	20.83 ±1.62	10.99 ±1.77	14.30 ±2.43	15.43 ±2.54	18.42 ±2.02
Mn	0.12 ±0.04	0.14 ±0.06	0.54 ±0.41	0.15 ±0.09	0.25 ±0.23	0.24 ±0.14	0.32 ±0.27
Ni	0.10 ±0.09	0.04 ±0.02	0.06 ±0.04	0.04 ±0.04	0.09 ±0.09	0.04 ±0.03	0.07 ±0.06
Pb	0.26 ±0.16	1.05 ±1.26	0.27 ±0.09	0.19 ±0.08	0.22 ±0.14	0.19 ±0.01	0.20 ±0.06
Zn	1.02 ±0.09	1.09 ±0.01	1.54 ±0.05	0.88 ±0.09	0.93 ±0.12	1.52 ±0.13	1.31 ±0.04
Al	1.30 ±0.05	1.85 ±0.14	3.77 ±0.11	1.41 ±0.05	1.51 ±0.11	1.89 ±0.13	2.49 ±0.08
Cr	0.28 ±0.03	0.59 ±0.03	1.19 ±0.01	0.37 ±0.03	0.69 ±0.06	0.48 ±0.03	0.45 ±0.05
B	0.39 ±0.02	0.30 ±0.01	0.38 ±0.03	0.25 ±0.05	0.18 ±0.01	0.25 ±0.02	0.28 ±0.01

Note: BDL: below detectable level