

Table 3 Order of mean metal concentration in the low value trash fishes of Cuddalore (polluted area)

| Species | Metal concentration |
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| <i>Thalassoma trilobatum</i> | Mg> Al> Fe> Pb> Cr> Zn> B> Cd> Mn> Ni> Cu> Co |
| <i>Parapercis heropthalma</i> | Mg> Fe> Al> Zn> Cr> B> Pb> Cd> Cu> Mn> Ni> Co |
| <i>Saurida tumbil</i> | Mg> Fe> Al> Zn> Cr> B> Ni> Cd> Cu> Mn> Pb> Co |
| <i>Pseudorhomphus javanicus</i> | Mg> Fe> Al> Zn> B> Cr> Pb> Cu> Cd> Mn> Ni> Co |
| <i>Apogon quadrifasciatus</i> | Mg> Fe> Al> B> Cr> Zn> Ni> Cd> Cu> Pb> Mn> Co |
| <i>Priacanthus humrur</i> | Mg> Fe> Al> Zn> B> Cr> Cu> Pb> Cd> Mn> Co> Ni |
| <i>Stomias</i> spp. | Mg> Fe> Al> Zn> Cr> Pb> B> Ni> Cu> Cd> Mn> Co |