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Supplementary Materials

Strategies for Enhancing Grow-Out Culture Technique of Community-Based Sea Cucumber (*Holothuria scabra*): A Case Study in Malawali Island, Sabah

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Table S1. Initial and final survival (%), total biomass (g), mean weight (g) of juveniles between each treatment within monitoring day

Parameters	Time/ Treatment	16U (C)	4U	16E	4E
Survival (%)	Initial	100.00 ± 0.00	100.00 ± 0.00	100.00 ± 0.00	100.00 ± 0.00
	Final	29.00 ± 21.21[a]	7.00 ± 1.41[a]	35.00 ± 12.73[a]	20.00 ± 5.66[a]
Total Biomass (g)	Initial	415.00 ± 9.00[a]	432.20 ± 22.20[a]	435.95 ± 17.05[a]	418.80 ± 19.20[a]
	Final	1667.65 ± 609.35[a]	350.15 ± 22.25[a]	1890.45 ± 557.75[a]	889.70 ± 319.6[a]
Mean weight (g)	Initial	8.30 ± 0.42[a]	8.64 ± 0.40[a]	8.72 ± 0.24[a]	8.38 ± 0.40[a]
	Final	115.02 ± 26.46[a]	100.04 ± 36.9[ab]	108.03 ± 29.09[ab]	88.97 ± 28.74[b]

Superscript letter indicates significant difference (One-way ANOVA and Duncan's Test as post-hoc test; $p < 0.05$). Asterisk (*) indicate significant difference. 16U = Low stocking density with no enrichment, 4U = high stocking density with no enrichment, 16E = low stocking density with enrichment, 4E = high stocking density with enrichment.

Table S2. Growth performance of juveniles *H. scabra* after 6 months

Parameters	16U	4U	16E	4E
AGR (g day^{-1})	0.63 ± 0.18[a]	0.49 ± 0.06[a]	0.52 ± 0.03[a]	0.41 ± 0.11[a]
Biomass increment (%)	298.61 ± 138.37[a]	-18.49 ± 9.32[b]	329.29 ± 111.35[a]	116.37 ± 86.23[a]

Different letter superscripts indicate significance differences (One-way ANOVA, Duncan's Test; $p < 0.05$) among treatment after 6 months. 16U = Low stocking density with no enrichment, 4U = high stocking density with no enrichment, 16E = low stocking density with enrichment, 4E = high stocking density with enrichment

Table S3. Pooled data of TOM and Chl-a ± S.D in enriched and unenriched pens

Parameter/ Treatment	16U (Control)	4U	4E	16E	*p*- value
TOM (%)	3.14±0.07[ab]	3.05±0.40[b]	3.25±0.33[a]	3.41±0.09[a]	0.10
Chl-a (ug/g)	1.06±0.43[b]	0.89±0.39[b]	1.76±0.83[a]	1.81±0.70[a]	<0.01

Different letter superscripts indicate significance differences (Kruskal-wallis with pairwise comparison; $p < 0.05$). 16U = Low stocking density with no enrichment, 4U = high stocking density with no enrichment, 16E = low stocking density with enrichment, 4E = high stocking density with enrichment.