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Fisherman Hussin July with the 200kg marlin that he caught off Miri on Friday. PIC COURTESY OF HUSSIN JULY

ANGLERS' FAVOURITE

MAN CATCHES 200KG MARLIN

Sarawakian says it took him 3 hours to get the fish into his boat

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THREE hours. That was how long it took fisherman Hussin July, 58, to overcome a marlin

weighing more than 200kg.

Hussin said he initially thought he had caught a shark in his net about 2am on Friday.

However, only after lifting up the net and seeing the long beak that he realised it was a marlin, which is much sought-

after by fishermen.

"This is the first time I caught a giant-sized fish, especially marlin, which is a favourite among anglers.

"I had to seek help from three friends to haul it into the boat.

"It took almost three hours to

overcome it," Hussin said here yesterday.

To make it easier to transport the fish to a jetty in Miri, Hussin and his friends had to cut the fish into three parts, before selling it off to fish wholesalers there.