

在当地团体、环保组织大自然保护协会（**The Nature Conservancy**）和宠物品牌希宝（**Sheba**）的合作努力下，约有四万平方米的珊瑚礁已被重新注入生机。这是到**2029**年修复世界上**18.5**万平方米珊瑚礁计划的其中一部分。

Over the years, there have been many attempts to **revive** coral reefs, some more successful than others. A technique being tried in Indonesia uses a **network** of metal frames with **fragments** of live corals attached to them.

多年来，人们曾多次试着让珊瑚礁恢复生机，但结果却成败参半。在印度尼西亚，人们在尝试一种技术，即使用一种附有一块块活珊瑚的金属框架网状系统。

The results so far show a **rapid** recovery and a return of the fish that local communities depend on. The goal now is to apply the same system to other parts of the world.

目前结果显示，珊瑚礁正在迅速恢复生机，当地社区赖以生存的鱼类也逐渐回归。现在的目标是将同样的系统应用到世界其它地区。

Although each project is on a relatively **small scale**, and all reefs are threatened by rising temperatures, scientists say it is worth trying everything to save as many as possible.

虽然每个项目的规模都相对较小，而且所有的珊瑚礁都受到了气温上升的威胁，但科学家表示，为了拯救尽可能多的珊瑚礁，一切努力都值得一试。

Questions may be raised about the **funding** for the project – it's from the pet food company, Sheba, which uses a lot of fish in its products. It says it's **committed** to the long-term health of the oceans.

可能会有人对该项目的资金来源提出质疑：资金来自宠物食品公司希宝，其产品中使用了大量的鱼类。该公司表示将全力以赴，保护海洋的长期健康。

1. 词汇表

revive	使恢复生机
network	网，网状系统
fragments	小块，碎片
rapid	迅速的
small scale	小规模
funding	资金
committed	全力以赴

2. 阅读理解：请在读完上文后，回答下列问题。（答案见下页）

1. True or false? *Attempts to revive coral reefs have always been successful.*
2. How quickly has this part of the coral reef regrown?
3. Where is it hoped this technique will be used next?
4. Why were questions raised about a pet food company funding part of this project?

3. 答案

1. True or false? *Attempts to revive coral reefs have always been successful.*

False. Over the years, there have been many attempts to revive coral reefs, some more successful than others – so, not all have been successful.

2. How quickly has this part of the coral reef regrown?

Very quickly. So far it has shown a rapid recovery.

3. Where is it hoped this technique will be used next?

The goal now is to apply the same system to other parts of the world.

4. Why were questions raised about a pet food company funding part of this project?

Because pet food company, Sheba, uses a lot of fish in its products.