

Review on the Progress of Implementation of Male' Declaration at the National Level

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Current Activities

- * Current Focal Point – Environment Department at MEE
- * New department formed as WMPC at MEE
 - * Preparing to takeover from January 2016
- * Monitoring stations in Male' have been decommissioned – Machines defect
- * Formulation of a national policy on Pollution underway (first time)
- * A new project to establish new monitoring stations is being implemented
 - * Procurement of fully automated monitoring systems is underway
 - * Training will be provided to both EPA and MEE staff

Gaps Identification

- * Lack of capacity mainly in terms of human resource
- * Lack of financial resources to access the modern technologies
- * Not considered in the development process (not a priority)

Possible Solutions

- * Political will to incorporate into the development process
- * Provide training to staffs involved
- * Budget allocation for continuous monitoring and equipment maintenance
- * International support to the sector like in other sectors

Country Specific Information

- * Institutions;
 - * MEE
 - * EPA
 - * MMS
- * Expertise, None
- * Environmental Concerns;
 - * Open burning due to inappropriate waste management (plumes of smoke into the air)
 - * Dependent on fossil fuel for electricity
- * Maldives submitted its INDC to UNFCCC
 - * Aiming of 10% reduction of GHG by 2030

Planned Activities

- * A national policy on Pollution endorsed
- * Establishment of new monitoring systems in Male;
- * Establish an ambient air pollution baseline
- * Reducing the air pollutants (GHG emission) through the establishment of regional waste management system (environmentally sound)
- * Seek international assistance
- * Incorporate into the development process

Thank you