

TERMS OF REFERENCE

NORTHERN INDIAN OCEAN MARINE TURTLE TASK FORCE

NGO REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE MALDIVES

1. BACKGROUND

Write a small introduction of the IOSEA Marine Turtle MOU

The Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation and Management of Marine Turtles and their Habitats of the Indian Ocean and South-East Asia puts in place a framework through which States, territories, inter- and non-governmental stakeholders of the Indian Ocean and South-East Asian region, as well as other concerned States, can work together to conserve marine turtle populations and their habitats for which they share responsibility. This objective can be achieved most effectively through the collective implementation of the IOSEA Conservation and Management Plan (CMP). For implementation purposes, the area is divided into four sub-regions: South-East Asia and Australia, Northern Indian Ocean, Northwestern Indian Ocean, and Western Indian Ocean. The species of marine turtles covered by the MoU are the Loggerhead *Caretta caretta*, Olive Ridley *Lepidochelys olivacea*, Green *Chelonia mydas*, Hawksbill *Eretmochelys imbricata*, Leatherback *Dermochelys coriacea*, and Flatback *Natator depressus*.

Add a little background on when NIO MTTF was formed and which countries are members Nothern Indian Ocean Marine Task Force (NIO-MTTF) is to serve explicitly to facilitation of implementation of the IOSEA Marine Turtle MoU (including its Conservation and Management Plan) in the Northern Indian Ocean sub-region and, in particular, the regional work programme decided by the Task Force. The task force consists of delegates from Bagladesh, India, The Maldives, Pakistan and Sri Lanka and representatives from nongovernmental and scientific organization.

Therefore, we are seeking for a Maldives NGO represenatative working on conservation of sea turtles.

2. **RESPONSIBILITIES**

The role and responsibility of the NGO representative is to share his/her knowledge and contribute to the taskforce appropriately.

• Represent the NGOs of the Maldives that are working towards turtle conservation and management;



- Share their concerns and challenges;
- Negotiate at regional level the task force work programme;
- Coordinate with NGOs in the Maldives in the implementation of Turtle MoU at a national and regional scale;

Membership Duration

For two meetings of the NIO-MTTF and the work during the intersessional period.

3. REQUIREMENTS FOR EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

The individual must be;

- A Maldivian;
- Minimum bachelor's degree in the field of environmental management and/or science, and/or related field, and/or have minimum of 5 years of experience working in marine conservation and management;
- To be employed by a sea turtle conservation NGO in the Maldives for a minimum of 3 years
- Previous experience with government or Interntional agencies will be an added advantage;
- Proven ability to work with a wide range of partners, including government offices and independent institutions;
- Written document of participation and completion of similar assignments must be provided;

4. EVALUATION CRITERIA

Details	Maximum Points
Relevant education qualification	30
Employed by a sea turtle conservation NGO in the	30
Maldives for a minimum of 3 years	
Experience in similar assignments	20
Assignments / work experience that show the ability to work	20
with a wide range of partners, including government offices and	
independent institutions	
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5. SUBMISSION

Submission	On or before hours local time	
Submission	Can be submitted via email or submit hard copies with all the	
instruction	relevant documents.	
Submission address	Ministry's reception Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Technology Green Building, Handhuvaree Hingun, Maafannu Male', 20392, Republic of Maldives Email: <u>biodiversity@environment.gov.mv</u>	