

Project Brief

Name of the Project

Development of picnic area at *K. Himmafushi*

Project Location

K. Himmafushi is located on south east rim of Male' Atoll. Geographically the island sits at 04°18'33"N 73°34'15"E, measuring 0.9 km in length and 0.750km in width. The island is approximately 16.32 km northeast of the Male'. According to the 2014 census, the 1,334 people resides in the island. The island is one of the local tourism island which offers budget hotels. The picnic area is located south of the island. This area measures approximately 10,000 Sq ft. Figure 1 shows the project site.

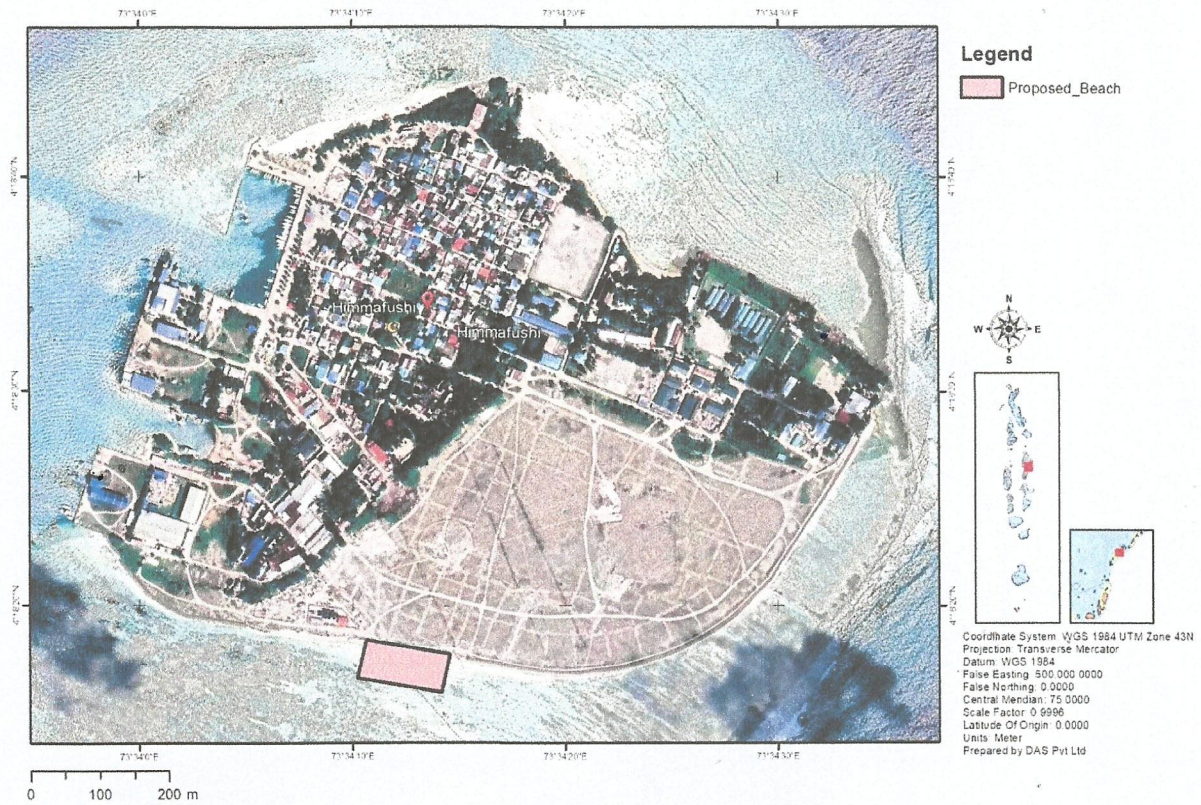


Figure 1: Location of Picnic Island at K. Himmafushi

Justification for the Proposed Project

Himmafushi is famous for the surf point "Jail Break" and Thanburudhoo surf zone. Many tourists with an interest in surfing choose Himmafushi as their preferred holiday destination. With the booming local tourism in Himmafushi, the demand for a beach keep increasing. With severe erosion, the tourist and public beach area in Himmafushi is severely eroded.

As mentioned above the island promotes local tourism, thus part of the natural beach in the island is marked for tourist. This picnic area is designated as part of the current administration pledge to allocate a land area for



recreational purpose in each island of the republic. In this regard, Himmafushi council was issued with a permit of building a picnic facility in the located proposed.

Proposed Project

The proposed project involves dredging the 10,000 sq ft area by 3ft. Furthermore, it also involves placement of 3 number of BBQ stations for community activities. There would be waste bins located throughout the site for adequate waste management during operation of the facility.

Project Duration

Estimated duration is one year.

Prevailing Environment

Since the area is located within recently reclaimed land area there is no dense vegetation of large trees including coconut palms. The only vegetation clearance involves removal of undergrowth.

The project site is located approximately 0.75km from the reef system. Light facilities at the location will be installed by FENKA cooperation and communities will use it for free.

Machinery Required

1. Sand pump for dredging
2. Carts and Trolleys
3. General construction tools
4. Digital level
5. 10 labours

Project Concept and Land Approval (Attached)

1. MSLA Site approval letter
2. Photographic evidence of site

