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President Dr Muizzu stresses the importance of raising children to embody nationalism, discipline, and uphold Islamic values



President Dr Mohamed Muizzu emphasised the importance of nurturing children to embrace Islamic principles, nationalism, and leadership, noting that the responsibility falls on everyone. He made these remarks in his address commemorating Children's Day celebrations today.

In his address, The President reaffirmed the Government's dedication

to collaborating with parents, guardians, and communities to ensure the welfare of all children.

As such, President Dr Muizzu underscored the Government's initiatives to enhance the well-being of children. Throughout his island visits, the President reiterated his commitment to implementing various projects for children across all islands. He disclosed plans to construct libraries nationwide, providing children with access to knowledge and enrichment.

In his address, the President noted the teachings derived from the Late Mohamed Jameel Didi's story, 'Hahthahaaves Dhareenneve'. He called on the public to contemplate and embody the significant lessons in the story, highlighting the tranquillity found in treating every child with compassion, regardless of their birth status, and offering them care and support.

In his Children's Day address, the President prayed for the well-being of all children, especially those who have lost their homes, parents, and guardians. He prayed for Allah's promised blessings in Paradise for the children martyred in Palestine and Allah's mercy upon all children facing martyrdom.

The President concluded his address by calling on the public to work for a better future for the children and the nation. SOURCE : The President's Office

Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of External Affairs, hold official talks

Minister of Foreign Affairs of Maldives, Moosa Zameer, held official talks with Minister of External Affairs of India, Dr. S. Jaishankar, today. Both sides engaged in discussions on all aspects of the partnership to forge opportunities for future collaboration in government priority areas. Both Ministers expressed commitment to continue working closely together, bilaterally and in international arena, on priority areas of mutual interest.

During the official discussions, both Ministers acknowledged the fruitful economic partnership and the notable progress of projects facilitated through Indian grant assistance and line of credit initiatives.

The dialogue comprised perspectives on development cooperation, tourism initiatives, and human resource development, underscoring a partnership built on mutual trusts shared interests and values.

Both Ministers also underscored the significance of exploring additional avenues to enhance the Maldives-India partnership.

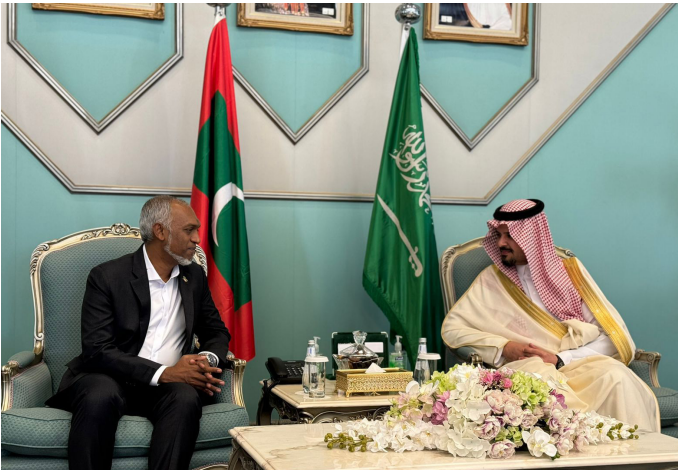
Minister Zameer conveyed appreciation for India's steadfast support in

fostering and advancing economic, trade, and investment ties between the two nations, as well as for India's committed role in the socioeconomic advancement of the Maldives. India had renewed quota for Maldives to import essential goods for one year amounting a significant increase compared to previous year. Minister Zameer's first official visit to India reflects the strong support and commitment between the two countries. It marks a new initiative of collaboration, symbolizing enduring friendship and shared goals.





The President and First Lady arrive in Madinah for Umrah, with the generous hospitality of King Salman Bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud, Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques



President H.E. Dr Mohamed Muizzu and H.E. First Lady Sajida Mohamed arrived today in Madinah to perform the Holy Umrah, with the generous hospitality extended by His Majesty King Salman Bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud, the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques.

Upon their arrival at the Prince Mohammed bin Abdulaziz International Airport, the President and First Lady were warmly received by His Royal Highness, Prince Salman bin Sultan bin Abdulaziz, Governor of Madinah Region.

SOURCE : PSM



The Emir of the Madinah Region receives His Excellency Dr. Mohamed Muizzu, President of the Republic of Maldives, and his accompanying delegation.

SOURCE : @MMuizzu, Official Tweeter of His Excellency President Dr. Mohamed Muizzu

The Maldives co-sponsors Resolution to admit the State of Palestine as a full member of the United Nations

The Maldives co-sponsored the resolution to support the admission of the State of Palestine as a full member state of the United Nations which was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly today. The resolution was presented by the United Arab Emirates on behalf of the Arab Group, and the Maldives was among the first states to co-sponsor the draft resolution.

The Resolution entitled ‘Admission of new members to the United nations’ was considered following the resumption of the tenth Emergency Special Session. The Resolution determines that the State of Palestine is qualified for membership in the United Nations and recommends the Security Council to consider the matter favourably. The resolution further decides that Palestine shall be given additional rights of participation within the United Nations system, starting from the seventy-ninth session of the General Assembly.

The Resolution was passed by the General Assembly with 143 votes in favour, 9 against, and 25 abstentions.

SOURCE : The President's Office

Transport Minister inspects airport taxi queues

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President hails historic UN resolution for Palestine's full membership

President Dr. Mohamed Muizzu has stated United Nations General Assembly's decision to grant Palestine full membership in the United Nations is a historic achievement in the fight for justice for the country. He made the remarks on a social media post following the adoption of the resolution for Palestine's full membership.

President Dr. Muizzu commended this significant development, emphasising the enduring resilience and bravery of the Palestinian people. The Maldives reaffirmed its steadfast commitment to supporting the aspirations of Palestine for sovereignty and independence, echoing the sentiment shared by many nations.

In his statement, President Muizzu reiterated

Maldives' unwavering advocacy for an independent Palestinian state with East Jerusalem as its capital, in accordance with the pre-1967 borders.

The resolution, co-sponsored by Maldives, secured an overwhelming majority with 143 votes in favor. Notably, Maldives denounced the misuse of veto power in the UN Security Council, further amplifying the global call for justice for Palestine amidst ongoing challenges.

As Palestine advances towards full membership in the UN, supported by nations like the Maldives, the international community stands united in championing the rights and aspirations of the Palestinian people on the world stage.

SOURCE : PSM



BCC displays Authentic Maldives products at Washington D.C

Business Center Corporation (BCC) has facilitated the sale of Maldivian local products in Washington, D.C., USA, through Authentic Maldives. Six products from Authentic Maldives are now displayed at the World Bank Headquarters,

BCC emphasised the importance of this initiative in showcasing Maldivian products to new markets worldwide, thereby enhancing their popularity and solidifying their position in the global market.

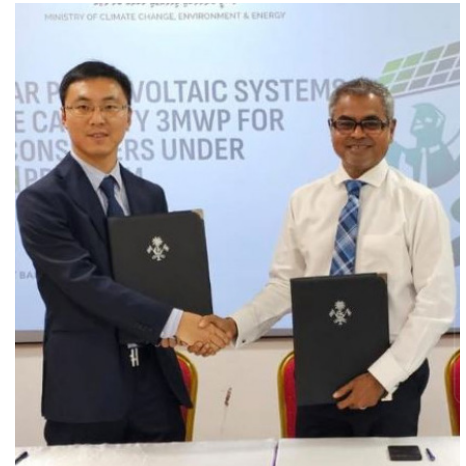
Moreover, Managing Director of BCC Ibrahim Ziyau expressed pride in facilitating opportunities for Maldivian creators, highlighting ongoing efforts to expand the reach of Maldivian products to other countries in the region.

Furthermore, BCC disclosed that the opportunity to showcase products in Washington, D.C., was exclusively offered to Maldivian female entrepreneurs, recognising the importance of promoting their products on the global stage. Currently, Authentic Maldives products are also available at two airports in Japan, Kansai and Narita International Airport.

In addition to outlets in Male', Crossroads Maldives, Velana International Airport, and Gan International Airport, BCC is working to expand Authentic Maldives by opening new outlets. Plans are currently in motion to establish an outlet in Thoddoo in Alifu Alifu Atoll.

These outlets collectively offer over 5,000 local products from more than 300 local producers.

Agreements signed for purchase of 3MW solar power systems



Ministry of Climate Change, Environment and Energy has signed an agreement with JV Wisdom NEGO, with the goal of procuring the first 3MW systems to be installed under the Magey Solar Project. The agreement was signed by Minister Thoriq Ibrahim and Wang Tao. The installation of the systems under the project is also a part of the ministry's policy to increase the utilisation of clean energy, with the assistance of the Asian Development Bank (ADB).

This project aligns with President Dr. Mohamed Muizzu's unwavering commitment to transition from conventional to renewable energy sources, such that the required electricity generated from renewable sources is 33% by the end of his tenure. Aiming to achieve this overarching goal, Magey Solar Project was launched. The project intends to ensure the provision of electricity from renewable resources, reducing the electricity bills of households and encouraging individuals to utilise renewable resources, thereby benefitting the society and the economy as a whole. Under the project, plans have been made to install 10 MW solar power systems in several islands of the nation.

The agreement signed encompasses the purchase of 375 3KW systems and 375 5kW systems. The installation of these systems will ensure electricity provision to 750 households. Currently, the 65kW solar power systems installed within the nation generates only 5% of the required electricity.

SOURCE : PSM



The President officiates oath-taking and firearm presentation ceremony for the graduates of MNDF's 70th basic training course



President Dr Mohamed Muizzu, the Commander-in-Chief of the Maldives National Defence Force (MNDF), has officiated the oath-taking and arms presentation ceremony for the graduates of MNDF's 70th Basic Training Course.

At the ceremony held at Girifushi Island this evening, Supreme Court Justice Uz Mahaz Ali Zahir administered oaths to the graduating soldiers. President Dr Muizzu, the Commander-in-Chief of the MNDF, presented arms to the soldiers.

The MNDF's 70th Basic Training Course began on October 28, 2023. Of the 135 recruits in the batch, 98 successfully completed the programme, including 9 female and 89 male officers.

The MNDF Special Forces presented the 'Special Forces Operation Display' to the President following the ceremony. SOURCE : The President's Office

Youth education vital for island prosperity

Minister of Cities, Local Government, and Public Works Adam Shareef Umar has underscored the crucial role of educational progressions of the youth for the sustainable development of any island. These remarks were shared speaking to PSM news following his visit to Thulusdhoo in Kaafu Atoll as part of his official tour to four islands in Male' Atoll.

The centric aim of this tour was to attain in depth information about the current circumstances and challenges faced by island councils.

Moreover, Minister Adam Shareef acknowledged Thulusdhoo's significance within the atoll and expressed a commitment to substantially develop its services. He further noted ongoing efforts to strengthen councils, with appeals for access to natural resources to bolster their financial autonomy. Plans are currently underway to facilitate this provision through collaboration with relevant ministries.

Highlighting President Dr. Mohamed Muizzu's pledged developmental initiatives, Minister Adam Shareef expressed optimism among residents for future government endeavors. He also emphasized the importance of expanding health services in Thulusdhoo, which was once regarded as an educational hub in the Maldives.

Additionally, the Minister expressed hope for Thulusdhoo's revitalisation through future progressions, reaffirming the ministry's commitment to facilitating changes within President Dr. Muizzu's presidential tenure.



Project commences to address flooding in Male' City

The government has initiated an operation to address the issue of flooding during the rainy season, aiming to provide a temporary solution until roads are upgraded to modern standards.

The collaboration involves the Maldives National Defense Force (MNDF), Ministry of Construction and Infrastructure, and Road Development Corporation (RDC), focusing initially on the West Park area, which experiences significant flooding during the rainy season.

Speaking at the inaugural ceremony of the project, Minister of Construction and Infrastructure Dr. Abdulla Muththalib emphasised the temporary nature of this initiative, highlighting its importance in mitigating potential emergency situations. The project involves installing necessary drainage facilities in the West Park area, with plans to address flooding in other areas as well.

Moreover, efforts are currently underway to bring in drainage pumps

to alleviate water accumulation in Male' City, and upgrades to existing pumps on Ameenee road are also being pursued.

Furthermore, Minister of Cities, Local Government, and Public Works Adam Shareef Umar stressed the administration's commitment to reducing damage caused by rainfall amid rapid global climate change. This initiative aligns with President Muizzu's vision for national welfare.

Minister of Defense Mohamed Ghassan Maumoon also reiterated the government's priority to reconstruct roads while minimizing rain-related damage for residents.

Financial aid and temporary relocation facilities are provided to affected residents, with plans to develop roads to modern standards and upgrade Boduthakurufaanu road with Chinese assistance. Tarring roads in Male' City are also slated for practical initiation by the year's end. SOURCE : PSM



Dr. Salma Rasheed Presents Her Credentials as Permanent Representative of Maldives to the Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva

Dr. Salma Rasheed, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, has officially presented her Letter of Credence to the Director General of the United Nations Office at Geneva, Tatiana Valovaya, in a formal ceremony held at the Palais des Nations today.

During the ceremony, Ambassador Dr. Salma extended her gratitude to Director General Valovaya for the warm reception and relayed greetings from President Dr. Mohamed Muizzu, the Government, and the people of Maldives to the UN Secretary-General, H.E. Mr. António Guterres.

She also expressed the President's appreciation for his leadership and the impactful work of the UN in these challenging times. Ambassador Dr. Salma reaffirmed the dedication and commitment of the Government of Maldives to promote and protect human rights and fundamental freedoms, as well as making significant contributions toward achieving the Sustainable Development Goals and the 2030 Agenda.

Ambassador Dr. Salma also thanked the Director General for emphasizing gender parity, climate change, and international economic integration as her priorities, and for her continued advocacy for geographical representation in the United Nations Office in Geneva. She further shared President Muizzu's foreign policy priorities on climate change, democracy, good governance, rule of law, human rights, and gender equality, and reassured the commitment of the Maldives to remain a leading voice for Small Island Developing States.

President Dr. Mohamed Muizzu appointed Dr. Salma Rasheed as the new Permanent Representative of the Maldives to the United Nations in Geneva on 7th May 2024. Dr. Salma brings a wealth of experience from over 40 years in the health sector, notably for her roles in developing the first National Health Plan and the national childhood immunization program in the Maldives. She holds a PhD in Evaluation from London South Bank University, with further academic credentials from Leeds University and the American University of Beirut.

In her 17-year extensive career with the United Nations, including roles with UNFPA and WHO, Dr. Salma served in various leadership positions such as Deputy Representative and Regional Advisor, contributing to health system advancements in several countries across Asia and Africa.

SOURCE : The President's Office

BCC holds discussions with National Creative Economic Council



Business Centre Corporation (BCC) has expressed its views and discussions with the National Creative Economic Council, following the series of discussions and meetings held with individuals who are actively involved with inventive and ingenious works.

In the meeting held with the National Creative Economic Council, BCC disclosed the information collected from the series of discussions, seeking methods in which the corporation can assist the individuals. BCC expressed its optimistic views, stating that this information and discussions will pave the way for additional business opportunities to individuals working in inventive and ingenious fields, while ensuring to facilitate them sustainably.

Furthermore, discussions were also centred on the pertaining to the provision of the fund to such individuals as per the decision of the Cabinet. BCC affirmed that this initiative will assist numerous firms within the industry.

BCC under the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade, is dedicated to promote and enhance the productivity while implementing innovative approaches in the nation. The corporation reiterated its primary objective of increasing the productivity while creating a good environment required for the development and expansion of all the industries.

SOURCE : PSM



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strengthening the national healthcare system is one of my administration's key policies.

His Excellency President
Dr. Mohamed Muizzu

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