

PROJECT SUMMARY

Project Title: Build Resilience and Adaptive Capacity of Maldivian Fisheries		
Executing Agency: Ministry of Fisheries, Agriculture and Marine Resources		
Geographic Coverage: National	Start Date: Immediate	Target Groups: Fishers, fishing communities and fisheries industry
Goal: Reduce risks of climate change impacts on Maldivian fisheries and marine resources, while realizing opportunities for sustainable and responsible development of fisheries.		
Objectives	Activities	
<i>1: Strengthen the policy, regulatory and institutional framework for all major fisheries, through appropriate and participatory fisheries management systems</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strengthen the regulatory legal framework through revision of the Fisheries Law of the Maldives and development of supporting regulations 2. Develop and implement fishery management plans in consultation with fishers for all major fisheries (both inshore and offshore), with priority focus on baitfish and reef resources management plans 3. Build human and institutional capacity of the MoFAMR to create a more efficient, competent and effective organization 4. Establish mechanisms to fully integrate fisheries research into fisheries management planning within a participatory framework to ensure industry relevant and goal oriented research 5. Strengthen Monitoring, Control and Surveillance as part of responsible fisheries management systems 6. Establish stakeholder processes to ensure the participation of all stakeholders in planning and implementation 7. Based on the findings of reef resources management research, pilot ecosystem approaches to fisheries management 	
<i>2: Increase the resilience of fishing communities and the fisheries industry to climate change impacts</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Establish a fisheries training institute to effectively deliver industry relevant training and extension services and provide technology and skills transfer that promote responsible fisheries 2. Provide support for alternative fishing livelihoods that are not dependent on tuna and reef resources, through effective capital investments in public infrastructure, technical support and training 3. Conduct education, extension and public awareness programs on responsible fisheries 4. Provide support to fishing communities and private industry to diversify the industry away from reliance on resource 	

<p><i>3. Provide support to develop a mariculture industry to diversify the fisheries industry away from resources vulnerable to climate change impacts</i></p> <p><i>4. Strengthen and expand research of marine resource and fisheries management</i></p>	<p>limited fisheries</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Strengthen the quality assurance system for new markets 6. Enhance current sector development programs and initiatives to incorporate climate change adaptation considerations 7. Provide support to adaptation and adjustment of fishing communities to climate change impacts on fisheries, including community development programs that provide extension and other services, including access to knowledge, technology and finance <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strengthen mariculture research and training capabilities 2. Establish support programs to provide access to knowledge, technology and finance for mariculture enterprises 3. Implement extension system to support mariculture development by potential farmers and entrepreneurs <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Design and implement research studies to support fisheries management plans. 2. Develop and strengthen collaborative research that yields relevant and useful research to underpin fisheries management and planning 2. Develop mechanisms for industry driven or related research including product technology, quality control, gear design in supporting fisheries management and industry needs.
<p>Financial Resources: US\$ 6.50 million</p>	