



Maldives Bureau of Statistics
Ministry of National Planning Housing & Infrastructure



REVISITING AND ADAPTING DATA GOVERNANCE AND STATISTICAL LEGAL FRAMEWORKS TO THE NEW DATA ERA

MALDIVES EXPERIENCE



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STATISTICS ACT

2021

- Statistics Act of Maldives was ratified on 20 July 2021, by the President
- Establishes Maldives Bureau of Statistics as a professionally independent agency, leading the development of the national statistical system of the country
- Follows international recommendations on modern statistical legislation, Generic Law on official statistics used as a guide
- Include recommendations by the UNSD and ESCAP review of the statistical system of Maldives, 2017,
- Incorporates the UN fundamental principles of official statistics

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BUREAU OF
STATISTICS
ESTABLISHED**

- New Chief Statistician has been appointed by the President, as per the Act in August 2021
- Statistics Council with representation from producers and users of statistics appointed in September 2021 and functioning , as per the Act
- National Strategy for the Development of Statistics 2021-2030 officially launched in November 2021
- Statistical Regulations required under the Act has been drafted and is in the process of publication

**STATISTICS ACT
PROVIDES
IMPROVED
ACCESS TO DATA
FOR STATISTICAL
PURPOSES**

- Allows for the use of non-traditional data sources for the compilation of statistics and indicators and build partnerships
- Allows access to administrative data for statistical purposes
- Allows the development of Statistical registers and access to data held by government agencies
- Establishes the National Statistical System in the country

GOING FORWARD

- Modernisation of NSS, establish statistical standards and mechanisms to ensure high quality, reliable, timely official statistics
- Build statistical capacity of MBS and Other producers of Official Statistics
- Improving administrative data collected by NSS and rely more on admin data for statistics production
- Invest in alternative data sources (big data, citizen science) and related research to improve data availability
- Work on building partnerships to support the development of NSS

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