



## **Development of Culinary Tourism**

The Government of Maldives invites investors to explore opportunities in the development of Culinary Tourism in the Maldives, a growing sector focused on promoting the country's rich culinary heritage while enhancing the tourism experience. This project aims to establish culinary experiences, such as cooking schools, food festivals, and food-themed tourism, to position the Maldives as a world-renowned culinary destination.





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## **Objectives:**

- Promote the rich culinary heritage of Maldives through immersive experiences.
- Enhance the overall tourism offering by integrating culinary experiences into the tourism product.
- Support the development of food-related tourism facilities such as cooking schools, culinary festivals, and food-themed resorts.
- Create sustainable tourism avenues by involving local communities in showcasing authentic Maldivian food.

### Scope:

- Establish culinary schools and institutes offering professional training for chefs and culinary experts.
- Develop food festivals, cooking classes, and culinary tours in key tourist destinations.
- Integrate local ingredients and traditional cooking techniques into the tourism offering.
- Partner with resorts and hotels to offer culinary-focused packages and experiences for tourists.
- Develop food markets and cultural food events to attract food enthusiasts.

#### **Potential Incentives:**

- Access to a ready market of international visitors looking for unique gastronomic experiences.
- Partnership with local food producers and farmers to promote sustainable sourcing and local agriculture.

**Envisaged Investment:** Investors to propose

**Timeline:** Investors to propose

Focal Agency: Ministry of Tourism and Environment

#### For Submissions:

• Email to planning@tourism.gov.mv





