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LAAMU PORT AND BUNKERING PROJECT



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A Strategic Marine Gateway in the Central Indian Ocean

The Government of Maldives invites investors to participate in the development of the Laamu Port and Bunkering project, a landmark public-private initiative centred in Laamu Atoll, adjacent to the busy One-and-a-Half Degree Channel. This strategic location supports maritime and transport sectors while advancing President Dr. Mohamed Muizzu's Vision 2040—focused on decentralized growth, sustainable infrastructure, and economic diversification.

The project will establish a port together with storage facilities and support infrastructure for bunkering services, while unlocking untapped value from regional vessel traffic.

Scope of Development

The proposed Laamu Port and Bunkering Project includes:

Deepwater Port

Multi-purpose port to serve cargo, tankers, and service vessels in southern Maldives.

Bunkering Services

Fuel supply for transiting vessels, including commercial ships and superyachts.

Fuel Storage Infrastructure

Onshore and floating tanks to support continuous, safe bunkering operations.

Marine Support Infrastructure

Tugboats, service vessels, and navigation aids for operational safety and efficiency.

Service Quay & Breakwaters

Docking and shoreline protection structures to ensure all-weather operability.

Reclaimed Operational Land

Land for port logistics, storage, utilities, and back-of-house facilities.

Project Opportunity

Strategic Location

- Direct access to international maritime traffic via the One-and-a-Half Degree Channel.
- Growing cruise and yacht traffic in the region.
- Adjacent to Kadhdhoo Airport and Fonadhoo urban zone.

Government Commitment

- Fonadhoo designated as a national urban centre under Vision 2040.
- Infrastructure upgrades planned and in progress in the region (airport, utilities, roads).

Business Model & Partnership Structures

- Public-Private Partnership (PPP)
- Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT)
- Concession agreements per component
- Long lease and joint development structures

Next Steps

The Government of Maldives will be opening for Expression of Interest (EOI) for qualified investors to engage in shaping and delivering this nationally significant infrastructure initiative.

For preliminary engagement and enquiries:

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