




































ROMANIZATION SYSTEM FOR MALDIVIAN

BGN/PCGN 1988 System



This romanization system supersedes the one which was approved by the BGN and the PCGN in 1972. This official system was submitted to the PCGN by the Maldivian government in 1987. Its application to date has been limited because of the paucity of geographic names source materials in Maldivian script.

CONSONANT CHARACTERS				VOWEL CHARACTERS	
Maldivian	Romanization	Maldivian	Romanization	Maldivian	Romanization
1 	h	13 	th	1 	a
2 	sh	14 	l	2 	aa
3 	n	15 	g	3 	e
4 	r	16 	gn	4 	ey
5 	b	17 	s	5 	i
6 	lh	18 	d	6 	ee
7 	k	19 	z	7 	o
8 	(See note 3.)	20 	t	8 	oa
9 	v	21 	y	9 	u
10 	m	22 	p	10 	oo
11 	f	23 	j		
12 	dh	24 	ch		

DIACRITICAL MARK

Maldivian	Romanization
	not romanized

NOTES

1. Maldivian is read from right to left.
2. The symbol  represents any Maldivian consonant character.
3. The character  is not romanized. If it bears a vowel character, that vowel character alone is romanized. If it does not bear a vowel character, the romanized value of the following consonant character is doubled.