



# FACT SHEET SH. MAROSHI

## About Maldives

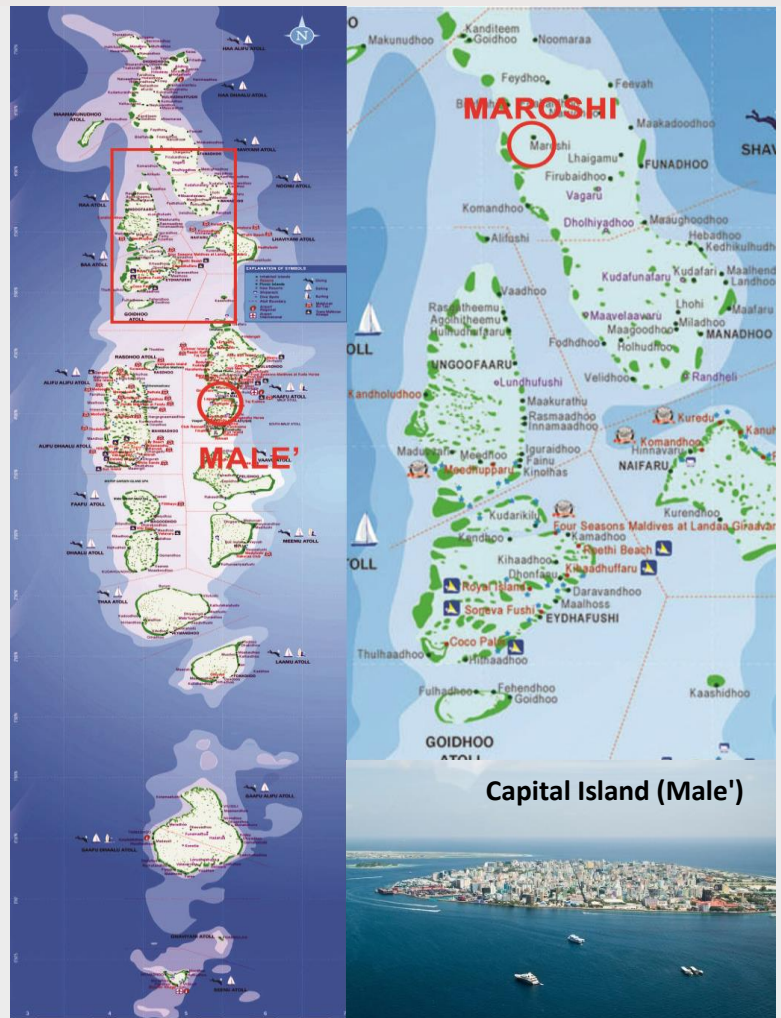
**Maldives**, officially the **Republic of the Maldives** and also referred to as the **Maldives Islands**, is an island nation in the Indian Ocean consisting of a double chain of twenty-six atolls. The chains stand in the Laccadive Sea, about 700 kilometres (430 mi) south-west of Sri Lanka and 400 kilometres (250 mi) south-west of India.

The Maldives atolls encompass a territory spread over roughly 90,000 square kilometres, making the country one of the world's most geographically dispersed. Its population of 328,536 (2012) inhabits 192 of its 1,192 islands.

Maldives' capital and largest city "Malé

", located at the southern edge of North Malé Atoll. The country is a 100% Muslim country and the mother tongue is "Dhivehi" "Thaana" is used for writing.

The Maldives is the smallest Asian country in both population and land area. With an average ground level of 1.5 metres (4 ft 11 in) above sea level, it is the planet's lowest country. It is also the country with the lowest natural highest point in the world, at 2.4 metres



## The Island Of Maroshi

**Name:** Maroshi Island  
**Atoll:** Shaviyani Atoll, also called as (Miladhummadulhu)  
**Island Codel:** C-10  
**Location of Island:** (Distance from Male): 230 km (88 miles)  
**Population:** over 800 people  
**About the people:** People of Maroshi are very kind and very welcoming.

**How to get to the Island:** There is scheduled speed boat ferries operated to Raa. Alifushi and from Alifushi a separate transfer is taken to whole journey could take about 5 hours

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**Alternative Transport Option:** By seaplane to Vice Roy.

**Nearby & Closet resort Islands:** Vice Roy Hotels, Resorts Residences Maldives

**Remarks:** The atoll capital of Shaviyani atoll is Funadhoo. Though Maroshi population is over 800 people many people are working in Male' the capital and in resorts near and far from the island and because of this we find few people living on the island but on holiday period you may find many people on the island as they all come for holidays.







## Schools:

The school in Maroshi named Al Madhrasathul Munavvara was built by a wealthy businessman from Maroshi Hussain Abdulla. Before year 2007, the school was a private school and after the school was handed to the local government, so now it is run by the government. The school includes one preschool, a first to sixth grade Primary school and seventh to tenth secondary school which students could complete up to GCE O' level. The School's facilities include: one lab, ten classrooms for ten grades, one AV room with AC, one computer lab with AC, staff office, principal office, assembly hall, and library. TVs are available in most of the classrooms for the use of connecting laptop and showing presentation.

The School hours are from 06:45am - 12:45pm daily for one session. There are around 90 students in the school excluding the children in preschool. Their school is headed by a principle, Mr Bhaskaran. The school is one of the centers holding GCE examinations in the country.



### Al Madhrasathul Munavvara







## **Hospital/ Health Centre:**

**Name:** Maroshi Health Centre

**Remarks:** A doctor and a nurse works in the health center who are based on the island. There is a pharmacy right next to health center.



**Pharmacy**



**Health Centre**

## **Island Facilities:**

### **Internet Facilities:**

Only Dhiraagu and Wataniya, the 2 mobile operators 3G network is available on the island for internet. In case you want use internet on your laptop you will have to use the internet dongle which is available in Male' to buy.

### **Accommodation:**

Your accommodation is normally at the accommodation block in the campus or you will be staying with a local family in a private room. The rooms are simply furnished giving you clean and comfortable space. Most of the rooms are equipped with a ceiling fan. The bath will not have toilet paper as Maldivians do not use instead a small shower is available, so if you wish to use toilet paper you may need by this in Male' or it might be available in the island shops also.

### **Food:**

You will be paired with a local family and meals with them most of the time. The local cuisine is centered around fish, which is a major part to any meal in Maldives. Vegetables are also served during lunch and dinner as much as possible. Most local in the island use rain water for drinking. Bottled water is available in all the shops.

### **Other Facilities:**

There are many shops in the island equipped with day to day goods and other items like foods, snacks and drinks. The island had 2 cafe's previously but because of the less population of specially youth as they work in Male' and resorts these 2 cafes have been closed now and at the moment there is no cafe on the island.





### **Things to Do:**

During sun rise and sun set you can visit the east and west side of the island and catch the sunset and sunrise which will be definitely a moment which you enjoy even every day. There is a football field where all the teenagers normally go to play in the evening. On the harbor side there is a park where women and children come in the evening spend their time playing football, badminton and traditional sports for women (Bashi) and enjoying the evening. Also swimming and snorkeling.



### **Historical land Mark "The Kaani Tree" :**

The biggest and oldest Kaani Tree of the whole country can be found on Maroshi Island. This Kaani trees is said to be historically linked to the Utheemu brothers' struggle for independence from the Portuguese during the 16th century. Their fast moving boat, the "Kalhuoh Fummi", need to change its palm-leaf sail frequently. Trading says that Muhammad Thakurufaanu planted two Kaani posts in the ground on which to place the sail. It said that this Kaani tree grew from one of these posts. Every week the Raaveribe placed a new sail on the wooden post, along with a jar of palm sugar and some coconuts for the three brothers.



This Fact sheet includes basic, brief information on what you could expect of the stay and idea about the options and the facilities.

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