## National Library of Maldives

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## **Key Facts & Figures**

- Founded on 12<sup>th</sup> July 1945
- Functions under the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture
- Serves as a National Library as well as a Public library which includes a Children's Multimedia Library
- 2,400 books received under donation in 2012
- 10,392 books donated to other Public and School libraries in 2012

## Milestones

- Implementation of the Legal Deposit act
- Recently automated using an Integrated Library System (ILS)
- Access the library catalog via Online OPAC
- Launched a Digital Library and Library automation project in association with Maldives Library Association and National Institute of Education (formerly Education Development Center)
- Development of a Union catalog to browse library catalogs

## **Future**

- Automation of Public and School Libraries
- Development of the Digital Library
- Conduct internationally recognized and accredited courses in Library Science field
- Development of a new Library building to accommodate our National and Public Library