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Launching of Committee Digital Database

Westminster Foundation for Democracy with support from the British High Commission Male', in partnership with the People's Majlis Secretariat, announces the successful implementation of the Committee Digital Database in the People's Majlis; a digital tool aimed at revolutionizing the management and monitoring of parliamentary committees.

Previously, the committees of the Majlis lacked a standardized approach for managing and monitoring their activities. Manual tracking systems, such as Excel sheets, were utilized by some committees, leading to inefficiencies and challenges in overseeing critical functions, including following up on recommendations to state institutions. Recognizing this challenge, the WFD initiated discussions with committee chairs to address the issue. In response to a request from the Human Rights and Gender Committee Chairperson, WFD in conjunction with the Majlis Secretariat, developed an innovative tool – a committee digital database designed to serve as a comprehensive case management software.

This tool facilitates efficient monitoring and tracking of all committee performances, as well as the actions of state institutions and authorities falling under their jurisdiction. By digitizing the entire committee process into a single software, the tool enables committees and their clerks to track all aspects of their work, schedule follow-ups, and set deadlines effectively. The software captures crucial information, including attendance records, voting history, inquiries, bill research, and consultations, providing a holistic view of committee activities and progress. A notable feature of the tool is its ability to generate automatic reports based on the entered information. These reports, covering the committees' activities, can be easily shared with the public, enhancing transparency and efficiency in communicating the impactful work conducted by the committees.

During the Launching event, the Deputy Speaker of the People's Majlis underscored the pivotal role of leveraging digital technologies to augment parliamentary functions. Concurrently, the WFD Country Director emphasized the imperative of implementing tools and formalized systems to uphold systemic governance effectively. Echoing this sentiment, the British High Commissioner reiterated the UK's unwavering commitment to bolstering democratic governance initiatives in the Maldives, stressing the paramount importance of transparency and accountability in parliamentary processes.

- Link to photos from Launch event: <https://majlis.gov.mv/en/gallery/2664>



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