

June 9, 2014

**Approval by mail: Maldives - Preparing Outer Islands for Sustainable Energy Development Project (ADB) SREP**

Dear the CIF administrative unit,

Regarding the SREP Maldives project, kindly please find below comment from Japan International Cooperation Agency.

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We think the projects related to "Outer Island Sustainable Electricity Development Project" are very significant in that these projects intend to support development objective by expanding renewable energy system installation for outer islands and developing capacity of Maldives Energy Authority.

As for your information, JICA has also assisted installation of renewable energy system mainly in Male.

The Project for Clean Energy Promotion was implemented for promoting energy transformation from diesel power to solar power.

The project cost was around JPY 1billion. and 740kW was successfully installed in March of 2014.

Other than above, one project and one feasibility study are going on under Japanese Government's assistance.

The Project for Provision of a Solar Power Generation System to Dhiffushi Island has been implemented with a collaboration of the Kansai Electric Power company.

This is implemented as a part of Japan's grant assistance for grassroots human security projects. 40kW solar system will be installed by September, 2014. Its operation will be starting in coming January, 2015.

The feasibility study on application of renewable energy hybrid system was conducted by JV under Denkyo Engineering and Okinawa Enetic and the study was completed in March, 2014.

The project formulation comes under review based on the study.

As indicated above, Japan have also engaged in assisting sustainable energy development in Maldives through several projects.

We hope to strengthen our collaborations with other development partners in the field of sustainable energy development in Maldives.

If necessary, we think that coordination activities would be much appreciated for promoting clean energy in Maldives.

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Thank you for your kind attention.

Regards,  
Aiko Iguchi, MOF Japan