



# ANNUAL REPORT 2022

MALDIVES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

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Maldives Olympic Committee (MOC) is the supreme body responsible for developing elite athletes for major international competitions including the Olympic Games, the Commonwealth Games, and Games of the Asia Region.

MOC is a non-profit Olympic Sport Organization established in 1985. It conforms to the Olympic Charter and the Law of the Republic of Maldives. It has the supreme and exclusive authority on matters relating to the development of elite athletes for major international competitions including the Olympic Games, the Commonwealth Games, and Games of the Asia Region and others.




## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is my pleasure to address you all today at our Annual General Assembly in 2023. Similar to the previous years, 2022 was filled with challenges and unforeseen obstacles. However, I am proud to report that we have continued to make progress and positive changes.

The year kicked off with the Queens Baton Relay event that took place in two different atolls - Haa Alif and Haa Dhaal. It was amongst the events from various countries that was broadcasted live on the Commonwealth Games Federation live feed.






Some of the significant accomplishments that we achieved in 2022 was financial assistance MOC was able to extend to the fellow member associations. MOC, was able to provide assistance to 88% of the NSA's out of the 17 affiliated NSA's.

Among other notable achievements were the launch of the MOC Child Safeguarding Policy and unveiling of the official uniform for Team Maldives. Both, the MOC Child Safeguarding Policy and Unveiling of the uniform was launched on 18 May and 19 July, respectively, by the President of the Maldives H.E. Ibrahim Mohamed Solih.

Similar to past years, MOC was able to facilitate in conducting a number of development courses locally as well as internationally. With a total number more than 50 individuals, in different levels, all courses were conducted in 2022.

Team Maldives participated in two Games during 2022. The Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, United Kingdom from 28 July to 8 August 2022. And the Islamic Solidarity Games was held in Konya, Türkiye from 8 – 18 August 2022. Although during both the Games, athletes showed great effort it was the bronze medal that the female Table Tennis team won at the Islamic Solidarity Games that was the highest highlight of the two.

Looking ahead, we have a busy year ahead of us with several major international competitions scheduled, including the Commonwealth Youth Games in Trinidad and Tobago, ANOC World Beach Games in Indonesia, Indian Ocean Island Games in Madagascar, Asian Games in China and Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games in Thailand. Our talented elite athletes are being trained to get them ready to compete at the highest level.





# STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES

## Mission


The mission of the MOC is to ensure that the Olympic Movement is developed, established, expanded and carried out in the Maldives in accordance with the Olympic Charter.

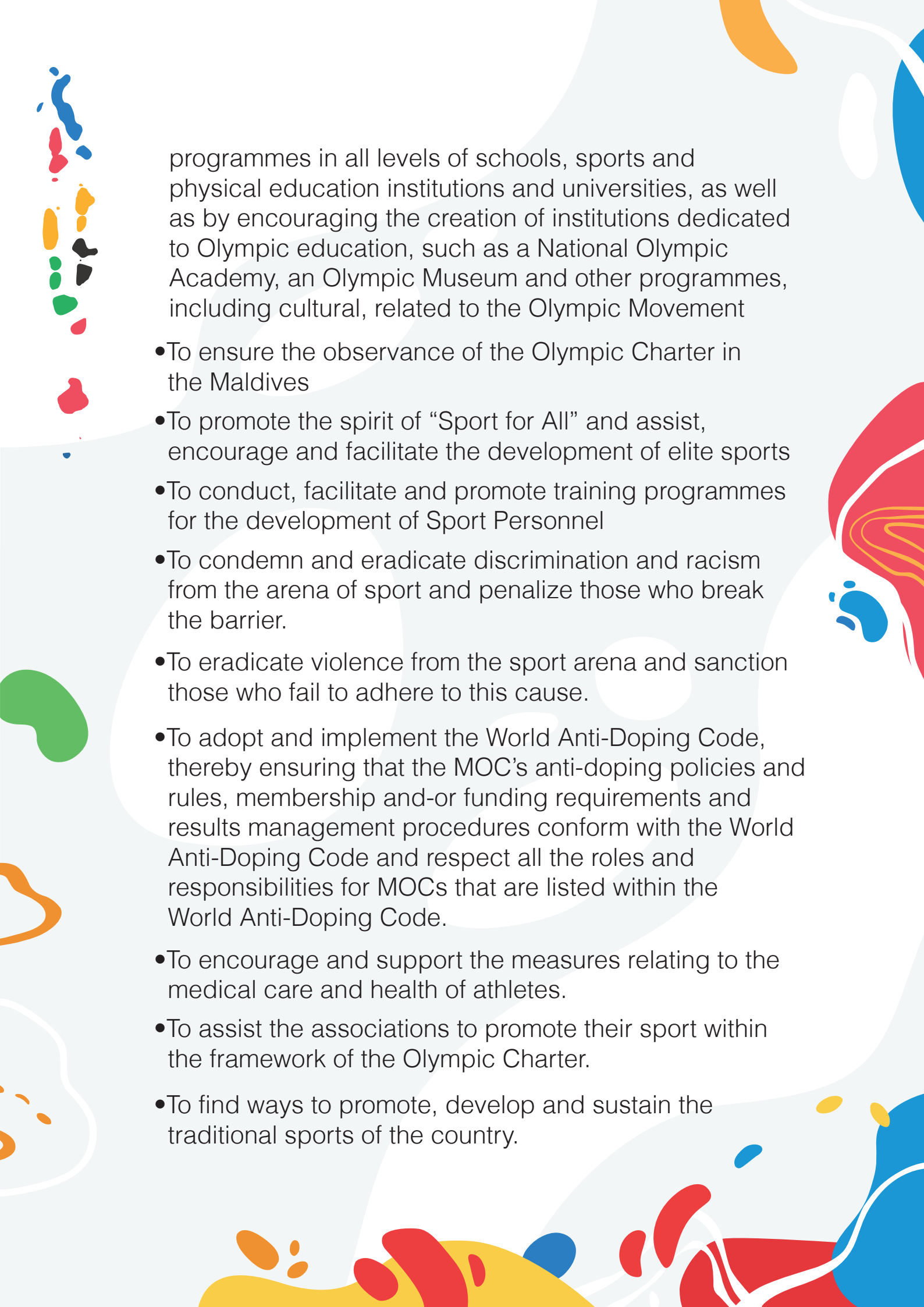
## Vision

It is the vision of the MOC to be an organization that is recognized locally, regionally, continentally and globally as one which promotes and develops sports.

## OBJECTIVES OF MOC

The Objectives of the MOC, as listed in the MOC statutes, have been approved by the IOC under the Olympic Charter which regulates IOC recognition of all National Olympic Committees. Chapter 4 of the Charter explicitly sets out the mission and role of National Olympic Committees as well as their composition and structure. The Objectives are in effect our strategic aims, providing MOC with clarity of role and mission. The challenge and focus for the MOC is to ensure we successfully achieve and improve on this mission year on year.

- To encourage, promote, organise control and safeguard Olympism in the Republic of Maldives. In addition, to promote the fundamental principles and values of Olympism in the Maldives, in particular, in the fields of sport and education, by promoting Olympic educational
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programmes in all levels of schools, sports and physical education institutions and universities, as well as by encouraging the creation of institutions dedicated to Olympic education, such as a National Olympic Academy, an Olympic Museum and other programmes, including cultural, related to the Olympic Movement

- To ensure the observance of the Olympic Charter in the Maldives
- To promote the spirit of “Sport for All” and assist, encourage and facilitate the development of elite sports
- To conduct, facilitate and promote training programmes for the development of Sport Personnel
- To condemn and eradicate discrimination and racism from the arena of sport and penalize those who break the barrier.
- To eradicate violence from the sport arena and sanction those who fail to adhere to this cause.
- To adopt and implement the World Anti-Doping Code, thereby ensuring that the MOC’s anti-doping policies and rules, membership and-or funding requirements and results management procedures conform with the World Anti-Doping Code and respect all the roles and responsibilities for MOCs that are listed within the World Anti-Doping Code.
- To encourage and support the measures relating to the medical care and health of athletes.
- To assist the associations to promote their sport within the framework of the Olympic Charter.
- To find ways to promote, develop and sustain the traditional sports of the country.

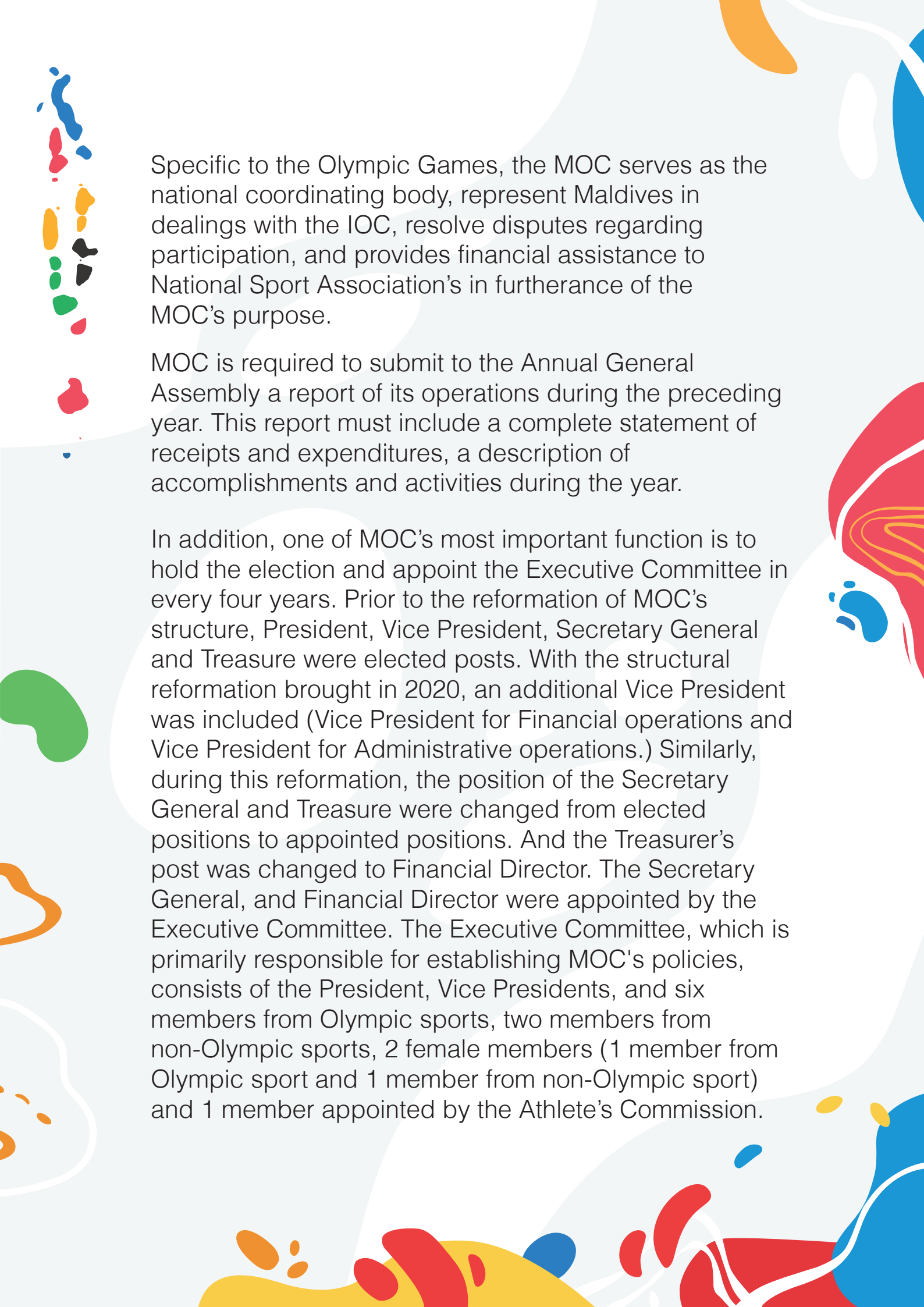


## STRUCTURE OF MOC

At the apex of the Olympic movement is the International Olympic Committee (IOC), which is organized under Swiss Law as a non-profit society with legal status under both Swiss and international law. The IOC entrusts to each country's National Olympic Committee the responsibility to determine which athletes will represent that nation at the Olympic Games. Maldives first established such a committee known as the Maldives Olympic Committee (MOC) in 1983.

MOC at that time was more of a membership organization than a coordinating body, with no real hierarchy of authority. Under current law (Maldives Sports Act 30/2015), the MOC is an independent non-government organization that is entitled to government funding. MOC gets almost all of its funding from its affiliated international bodies such as Olympic Solidarity, Olympic Council of Asia, and the Commonwealth Games Federation. MOC is prohibited from engaging in business for profit, issuing stock, or engaging in political activities. MOC is empowered to, among other things, make contracts, acquire, and transfer property, borrow money, issue publications, approve and revoke membership, and do any other act necessary to carry out the Committee's purposes.



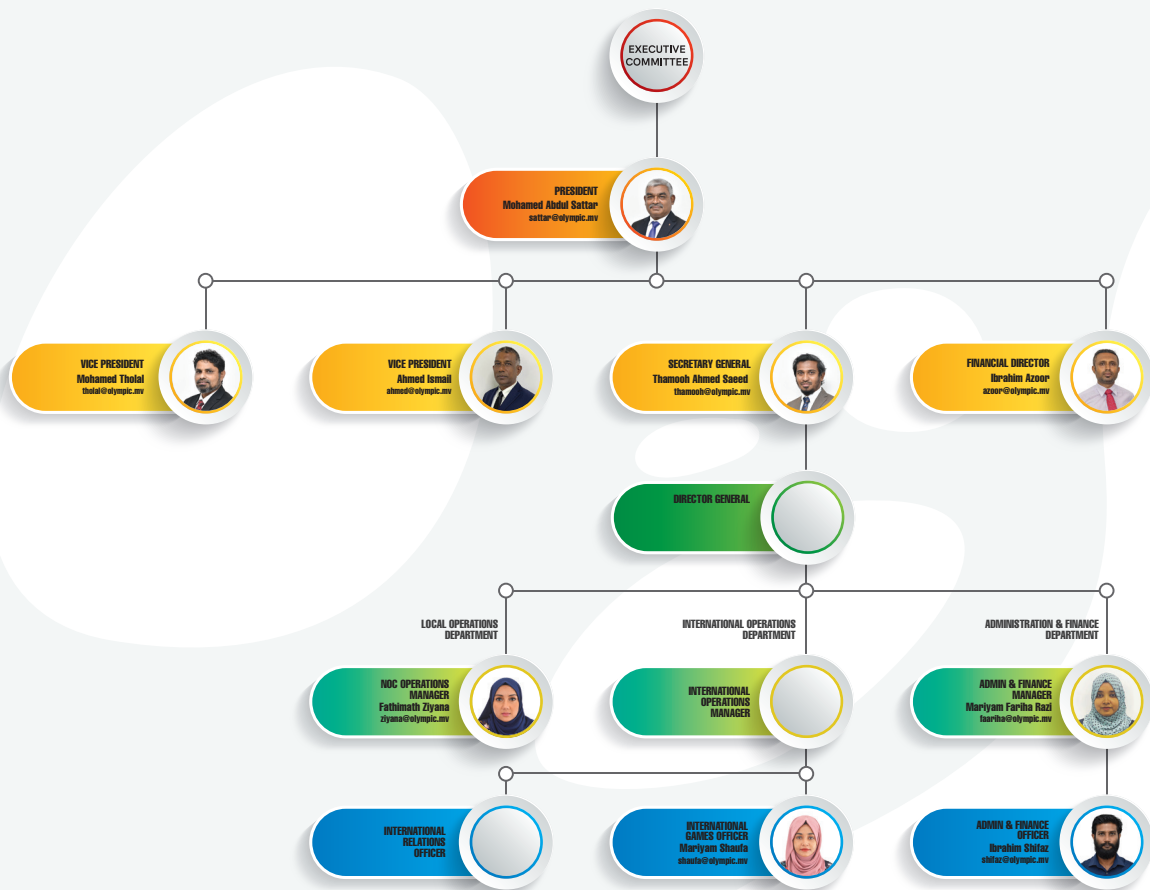


Specific to the Olympic Games, the MOC serves as the national coordinating body, represent Maldives in dealings with the IOC, resolve disputes regarding participation, and provides financial assistance to National Sport Association's in furtherance of the MOC's purpose.

MOC is required to submit to the Annual General Assembly a report of its operations during the preceding year. This report must include a complete statement of receipts and expenditures, a description of accomplishments and activities during the year.

In addition, one of MOC's most important function is to hold the election and appoint the Executive Committee in every four years. Prior to the reformation of MOC's structure, President, Vice President, Secretary General and Treasure were elected posts. With the structural reformation brought in 2020, an additional Vice President was included (Vice President for Financial operations and Vice President for Administrative operations.) Similarly, during this reformation, the position of the Secretary General and Treasure were changed from elected positions to appointed positions. And the Treasurer's post was changed to Financial Director. The Secretary General, and Financial Director were appointed by the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee, which is primarily responsible for establishing MOC's policies, consists of the President, Vice Presidents, and six members from Olympic sports, two members from non-Olympic sports, 2 female members (1 member from Olympic sport and 1 member from non-Olympic sport) and 1 member appointed by the Athlete's Commission.

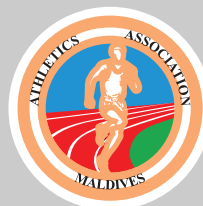
Apart from this, the structure also modernized the organizational hierarchy of MOC, by creating departments for each major section and appointing Managers as the head of these departments. As such International Operations Department, Administration and Financial Department and Local Operations Department was formed. The managers of these departments will assist the Secretary General in carrying out his/her responsibilities.





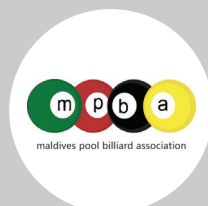
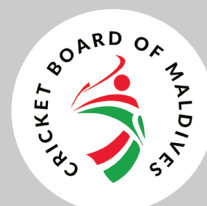
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# MEMBERS



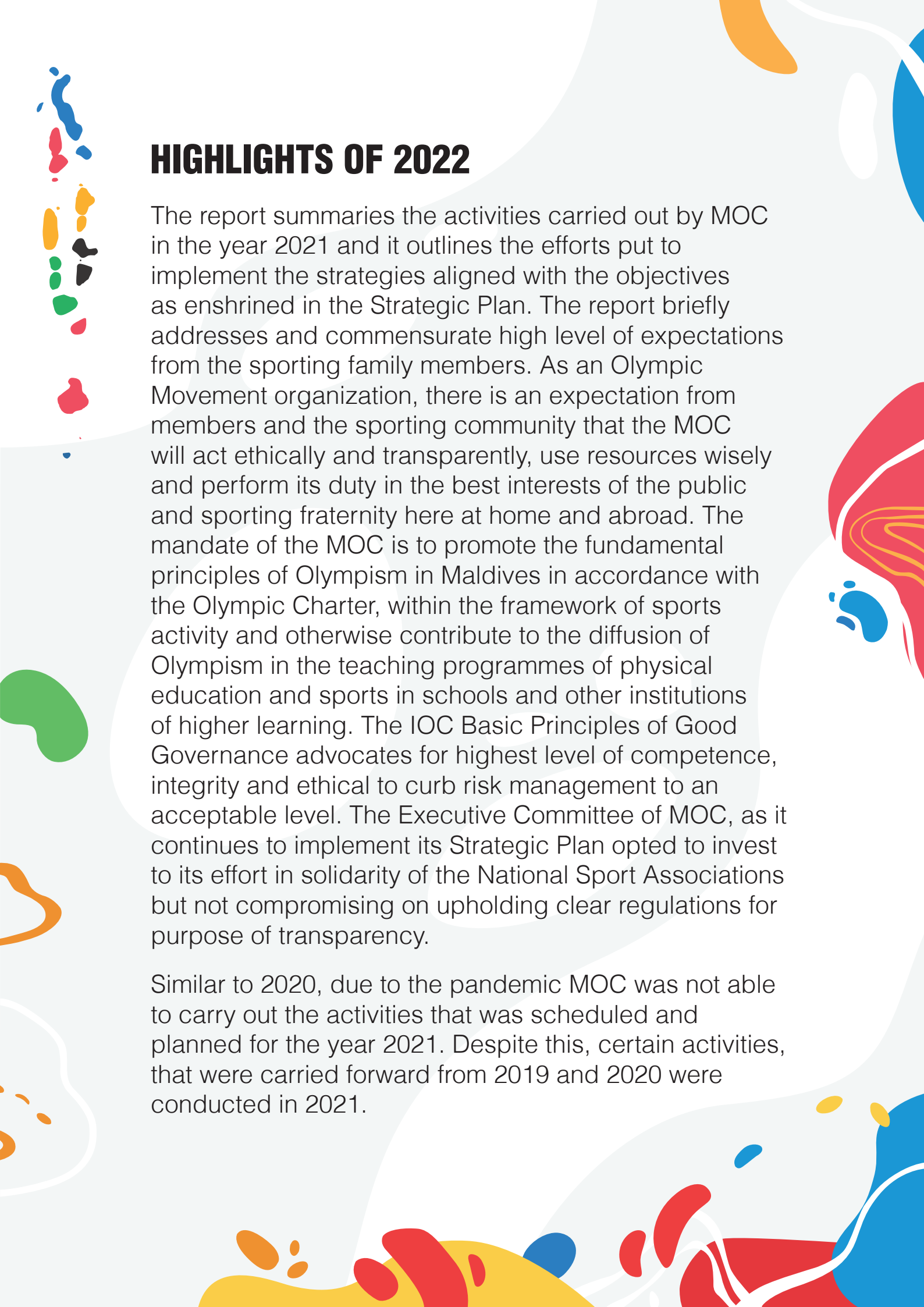




## HIGHLIGHTS OF 2022

The report summarizes the activities carried out by MOC in the year 2021 and it outlines the efforts put to implement the strategies aligned with the objectives as enshrined in the Strategic Plan. The report briefly addresses and commensurate high level of expectations from the sporting family members. As an Olympic Movement organization, there is an expectation from members and the sporting community that the MOC will act ethically and transparently, use resources wisely and perform its duty in the best interests of the public and sporting fraternity here at home and abroad. The mandate of the MOC is to promote the fundamental principles of Olympism in Maldives in accordance with the Olympic Charter, within the framework of sports activity and otherwise contribute to the diffusion of Olympism in the teaching programmes of physical education and sports in schools and other institutions of higher learning. The IOC Basic Principles of Good Governance advocates for highest level of competence, integrity and ethical to curb risk management to an acceptable level. The Executive Committee of MOC, as it continues to implement its Strategic Plan opted to invest to its effort in solidarity of the National Sport Associations but not compromising on upholding clear regulations for purpose of transparency.

Similar to 2020, due to the pandemic MOC was not able to carry out the activities that was scheduled and planned for the year 2021. Despite this, certain activities, that were carried forward from 2019 and 2020 were conducted in 2021.



## Sports Administrators Course

On 16 March 2022, Sports Administrators course with a total of 20 participants was commenced. The 14-day course was conducted by Maldives Olympic Committee in collaboration with the Olympic Solidarity and Maldives National Institute of Sports. The course was aimed for the Sports Councilors residing at different atolls. Sports Councilors from Alif Dhaalu, Baa, Lhaviyani, Noonu, Faafu, Thaa and Raa Atoll were registered for the course.



## 18th National Olympic Academy Sessions, Sri Lanka – 2022

The annual sessions of the National Olympic Academy of Sri Lanka conducted by the Sri Lanka NOC was held at Bandara Wela in the Central Hills from 1 to 4 December 2022.



The session provided an excellent opportunity for the youth of South Asia to get to know and interact with each other in the Olympic Spirit, one female (Handball) and three male (Football, Handball and Table Tennis) participants participated from Maldives. The aim of the session is to promote and spread the ideals and principles of Olympism through youth leadership development.

## **TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT**

### **International Coaching Enrichment Certificate Program (ICECP) 2021-2022**

Mr. Ibrahim Moosa, national level coach at Swimming Association of Maldives was offered the International Coaching Enrichment Certificate Program (ICECP 2020-2021) in 2021. Mr. Moosa completed the first module, which began on August 15 and ran through mid-September 2021. It was delivered virtually through a partnership with the University of Delaware. He has completed his teaching modules and the remaining module is the final presentation in Lausanne, Switzerland.





## **OCA Development Program for Coaches and Referees “Stage 2” for Central and South Asian NOCs**

Part of the Continental Program’s Special Projects in collaboration with the National Olympic Committee of Uzbekistan, OCA Development Programme for Coaches and Referees “Stage 2” for Central and South Asian NOCs was held from the 3 to 7 November 2022 in Tashkent – Uzbekistan. The objective of the programme was to promote the practice of sport, encourage and improve the standard of performance in the spirit of fair play, where coaches and referees are key factors in developing sports in NOCs and play an important role in enhancing sporting performance and help in building generations for better societies. Four male participants from swimming participated from Maldives. The invitation to the program came for specific sports and swimming was the only sport that was being practiced in the Maldives.



## Olympic Solidarity Technical Course for Coaches

Handball Maldives, in cooperation with Maldives Olympic Committee (MOC) and International Olympic Committee conducted the Olympic Solidarity Technical Course for Coaches from 8-15 May 2022 in Malé, Maldives.

22 participants including eight females and fourteen males participated at the 8-day course, which was delivered by International Handball Federation (IHF) Commission of Coaching and Methods (CCM) lecturer Mr. Peter Kovacs.

Towards the end of the course, the coaches underwent practical and written examinations. The purpose of the exam was to evaluate the ability of each participant in terms of application. 15 out of the 22 participants were awarded with the C-License.





## **ATHLETE TRAINING**

### **Youth Identification program for Maldives Basketball Association**


Through its support of the International Olympic Committee's (IOC) Olympic Solidarity (OS) Fund, the Maldives Olympic Committee (MOC) assisted the Maldives Basketball Federation in training the Fund to qualify for the Youth Olympic Games 2023. This program is intended for both males and females who are members of the junior national teams. The program is expected to continue until 2023.

### **Elite and Young Athlete Scholarship / Development**

MOC continued to provide a high level of support to NSA's and their athletes through programmes and initiatives. As such, the Elite and Young Athlete Scholarship / Development, which was launched in 2011, was successfully carried out in 2022 as well.

Under this program, in 2022 the Athletics, Table Tennis and Basketball national teams were provided with financial assistance to prepare their teams for the Islamic Solidarity Games. Similarly, for the Commonwealth Games Athletics, Badminton, Swimming, Table Tennis and Volleyball national teams were provided with similar assistance.

The purpose of program is to ensure optimum training conditions for athletes by allowing them access to adequate training facilities, specialized coach in their discipline, regular medical and scientific assistance, and facilitate their participation in major international competitions.



A total of \$38,000 was distributed by the MOC in 2022 to athletes through the program. This revenue provides meaningful value, by promoting the Olympic movements and directly contributing to Team Maldives athletes' success at the international arena.

## Paris 2024 Olympic Scholarship

Paris 2024 Olympic Scholarships were awarded to athletes to assist in their preparation and qualification for the Games of the XXXIII Olympiad, Paris 2024, with a particular focus on athletes and NOCs with the greatest needs. From the 7 applications MOC received, Athletics – Himna Hassan, Badminton – Nibal Ahmed, Shooting – Ziyau Ziyau, Surfing – Ismail Rasheed and Table Tennis – Fathimath Dheema Ali were chosen for the Scholarship. The scholarship will help these athletes in their journey to prepare and qualify for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games. Under the program, each athlete will receive a fixed monthly grant for their trainings that will provide access to training facilities, specialized coaching services, medical and scientific assistance as well as travel costs for to participate in competitions, including Olympic qualification events. MOC hopes the scholarship will help the athletes excel in their trainings and wish them success in representing Maldives in the International arena







## **DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL SPORT ASSOCIATIONS**

In 2022, MOC was able to accomplish a significant achievement by extending financial assistance to its fellow member associations (NSAs). Out of the 17 affiliated NSAs, MOC was able to provide financial assistance to 88% of them. This means that MOC was able to support the majority of its member organizations, helping them overcome financial challenges they may have faced.


By extending this support to its fellow NSAs, MOC has helped them maintain their operations, fund their programs, or support their athletes in participating in different competitions. These financial assistance could have been critical to the success and sustainability of these NSAs.

Overall, this accomplishment demonstrates that MOC is committed to supporting its member associations and ensuring their continued success.

## **GAMES**

MOC coordinates the Maldivian delegation that will represent the country in multisport events, such as the Olympic Games, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games, and the Indian Ocean Island Games, among others. For each of these competitions, the MOC elaborates specific planning that aims to promote the necessary conditions for a great performance of the athletes and national teams.







Although seven Multisport Games planned in the calendar at the beginning of 2022, only two Games were held – Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, United Kingdom was held from 28 July to 08 August 2022 and Islamic Solidarity Games in Konya, Türkiye from 8 – 18 August 2022.

Asian Games to be held in Hangzhou, China and Asian Indoor Martial Arts Games to be held in Bangkok and Chonburi, Thailand was postponed to 2023, while Asian Beach Games to be held in Sanya, China was postponed to 2025. Children of Asia Games was held in Vladivostok, Russia. However, with the recommendation from IOC and OCA, Maldives decided not to take part at the Games due to the war that was ongoing. Unfortunately, Asian Youth Games which was to be held in Shantou, China was declared cancelled by the OCA.

Before the start of the Games, there were few events that MOC conducted in order to prepare the athletes and officials for the Games' ahead.



## Anti-Doping seminar

Information and Anti-Doping seminar of the Commonwealth and Islamic Solidarity Games for the Team Maldives delegation was held on 5 July. It was attended by athletes and officials from Athletics, Badminton, 3x3 Basketball, Swimming, Table Tennis and Beach Volleyball. During the seminar, information about Anti-Doping was presented by the Doping Control Officer (DCO) Mr. Mohamed Inash Abdul Latheef, where he highlighted the crucial role of athletes to be aware about the athletes anti-doping rights and responsibilities. During the 2-hour informative seminar, general information about both games was presented by the Secretary General of MOC, Thamooah Ahmed Saeed. These include weather, conditions of the Athletes Village, basic rules and regulations, transportation, and other logistics of the Games.



## Unveiling the official uniform for Team Maldives

President Ibrahim Mohamed Solih unveiled the official uniform for Team Maldives competing at the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games and 5th Islamic Solidarity Games. The clothing kit provided to Team Maldives includes apparel for the opening and closing ceremonies, casual pieces for wearing at the multiple Athlete's Villages as well as an official travel kit.



## Queen's Baton Relay (QBR)

On December 30, 2021, the Birmingham 2022 Queen's Baton arrived in Maldives, reaching the 24th destination out of the 72 Commonwealth nations and territories. President Ibrahim Mohamed Solih officially welcomed the Birmingham 2022 Queen's Baton to the Maldives. The official welcoming ceremony was held at the President's Office on 30 December 2021. The Baton was formally presented to President Solih by Mohamed Abdul Sattar, President of CGA Maldives. He also presented President Solih and Vice President Faisal Naseem with the Birmingham 2022 Queen's Baton Relay jersey.



The Commonwealth Queen's Baton Relay officially started its tour in Maldives on New Year's Eve, with live music and a huge gathering of the public. During the official two days, which the Baton was in Maldives it was carried by Baton bearers, including current and legacy athletes, where it visited the northern atolls of Haa Alif and Haa Dhaalu Atoll and experienced the Queen's Baton Relay, sports festival, and beach cleaning activities.

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With the conclusion of activities at Haa Dhaalu Nolhivaranfaru, the Baton arrived Haa Dhaalu Nolhivaram 1 January evening. At Nolhivaram the Baton saw the second Queens Baton Relay, which engaged 100 runners from the small island. Before wrapping up for the day, CGA Maldives donated dustbins to Nolhivaram as well.

The Baton reached its final destination, Haa Alif Atoll Dhihdhoo on January 2, 2022.

The first activity for the day commenced at 6:30 AM in which the Queen's Baton Relay team along with the students and the community of Dhihdhoo gave a stretch of Dhihdhoo beach a major clean up.

After a short break the activities for the day continued where the “Changemaker” segment commenced. During the event Hashim Aboobakur, an advocate for save the planet, who was the appointed “Changemaker” for the Queen’s Baton Relay event, briefed Haa Alif Atoll, Dhihdhoo community about the importance of preserving our fragile eco system of the Maldives





## XXII Commonwealth Games


XXII Commonwealth Games was held from 28 July to 8 August 2022 in Birmingham, England. The Chef de Mission of the Games was Hussain Jawaz, the Secretary General of Football Association of Maldives.

National Table Tennis player Fathimath Jumana Nimal and National Badminton Player Hussein Zayan Shaheed Zaki was named as the flag-bearers of Team Maldives for the opening ceremony of Games. The Maldives delegation consisted of 46 athletes and officials. Athletes competed in Athletics, Badminton, Beach Volleyball, swimming, and table tennis. Athletes from athletics and swimming set new national records during the games, which was considered a major accomplishment for Team Maldives.

MOC President Mr. Mohamed Abdul Sattar and Secretary General Thamooah Ahmed Saeed attended the General Assembly on behalf of Maldives. The General Assembly was held at the Grand Hotel, Birmingham England.

A brief update on next year's electoral General Assembly is provided by CGF President Dame Louise Martin, who is set to step down having served two full terms.

The next General Assembly is likely to take place in the final quarter of the year after the delayed Hangzhou 2022 Asian Games, rearranged for September 23 to October 8, 2023.





The announcement that Trinidad and Tobago will host the 2023 Commonwealth Youth Games was announced during the meeting. The Caribbean islands was given the opportunity, having originally been awarded the 2021 event before they postponed the Games due to COVID-19.

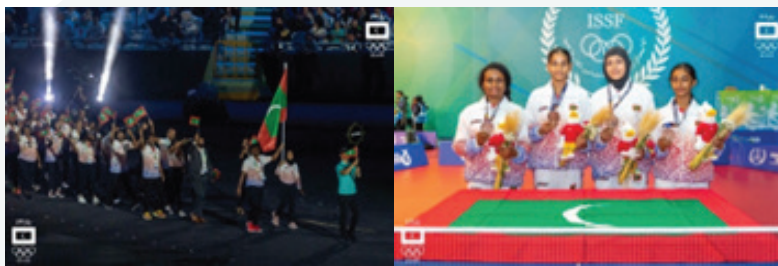


## 5th Islamic Solidarity Games

The 5th Islamic Solidarity Games was held in Konya, Türkiye from 9-18 August. Aishath Shifana Wajeeth was appointed the Chef de Mission (CdM) for Team Maldives contingent. A total of 63 athletes and officials took part in the games, where athletes from Athletics (Men and Women), Swimming (Men and Women), Table Tennis (Men and Women) and 3X3 Basketball (Men) competed. National basketball player Ismail Vildan and National sprinter Himna Hassan was appointed as the flag-bearers of Team

Maldives for the opening ceremony of the Games. Noteworthy accomplishments during the games include, Swimming and athletics renewing their national records, while table tennis women's team securing a bronze medal.

MOC President Mr. Mohamed Abdul Sattar and Secretary General Thamooah Ahmed Saeed attended the General Assembly on behalf of Maldives. Prince Abdulaziz bin Turki Al-Faisal, Minister of Sports of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and President of the Islamic Solidarity Sports Federation (ISSF), chaired the meeting of the eleventh general assembly of the ISSF, held on 7 August 2022 in the Turkish city of Konya.



## **MEETINGS/SEMINARS**

### **Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) – General Assembly, Phnom Penh, Cambodia - 4th October 2022**

MOC President Mohamed Abdul Sattar and Secretary General Thamooah Ahmed Saeed attended OCA General Assembly. The 41st Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) General Assembly was held on 4 October 2022 at the Sokha Hotel in Phnom Penh, with Prime Minister Hun Sen keynoting the largest gathering of international sports officials in the Kingdom in many years. The two delegates also participated the Asian Games Fun Run which was held in Phnom Penh.




Heads of NOCs in 45 Asian countries and representatives of 10 observer countries also attended the gathering.

During the event, Saudi Arabia was also chosen as the host of the 2029 Asian Winter Games. The event will be held at NEOM, a \$500 billion, futuristic megacity in the middle of the desert.

## **Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) – General Assembly, Seoul, South Korea – 19-20 October 2022**

MOC President Mohamed Abdul Sattar and Secretary General Thamooah Ahmed Saeed attended the ANOC General Assembly on 18-21 October 2022, Seoul, South Korea.

NOCs once again were joined by representatives from the IOC, International Federations and Organising Committees in what represents the largest global meeting in sport outside of the Olympic Games. During the General Assembly, Robin Mitchell was elected as ANOC President with HE Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al-Thani elected Senior Vice President. The General Assembly also approved the new ANOC Executive Council which will serve for the 2022-2026 term. The ANOC Awards returned on the evening of 19 October and provide an opportunity to celebrate the athletes and NOCs of the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. For the first time, ANOC Theme Sessions were held on the third day of the General Assembly. Two sessions on sustainability and integrity in sport were held with guest NOC speakers sharing best practice on the two subjects for the floor was opened to the audience for discussions.






## **Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) – Gender Equity Seminar, Manama, Bahrain – 30-31 October 2022**


MOC Secretary General Thamooah Ahmed Saeed and MOC Women's Commission Ms. Fazna Jaleel attended the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) – Gender Equity Seminar on 30-31 October 2022, Manama, Bahrain.

A two-day seminar hosted by the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) opened in Bahrain on 30 October 2022. The seminar aimed to focus on the role of the National Olympic Committees (NOCs) in enhancing gender equality ensuring women's participation and representation in all aspects and further introducing grassroots strategies.



## **Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) / Olympic Solidarity (OS) – Regional Forum, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia – 4-5 December 2022**

MOC Secretary General Thamooah Ahmed Saeed and MOC Admin and Finance Manager Ms. Mariyam Fariha Razi attended the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) / Olympic Solidarity (OS) – Regional Forum which was held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from 4-5 December 2022.



The Director of the Olympic Council of Asia's Asian Games Department, Mr. Haider Farman, welcomed delegates from West, Central and South Asia to the Forum.



## **Organization Committee of Indian Ocean Island Games – CIJ**

MOC President Mohamed Abdul Sattar and Secretary General Thamooah Ahmed Saeed attended meeting of the Organization Committee of Indian Ocean Island Games - CIJ. The meeting which was held from January 18-19 was hosted by the National Olympic Committee (NOC) of Madagascar. The meeting was attended by Madagascar's Minister of Youth and Sports and the President of NOC Madagascar. During the meeting, MOC President Mohamed Abdul Sattar was elected as the 2nd Vice President for the Organizing Committee of Indian Ocean Island Games (CIJ).



A second meeting was held from 14-16 December 2022. During the meeting all delegates visited the Games' venues and were briefed of the updates to some other venues. The final list of sports that would be included at the Games that will be held from 23 August to 03 September 2023 was announced. Discussion on how to proceed and a timeline was agreed by all attending countries.



## **Director General of Olympic Council of Asia and President of International Swimming Federation (FINA) visited MOC**

Director General of Olympic Council of Asia and President of International Swimming Federation (FINA), Honorable Dr. Husain Al-Musallam visited Maldives Olympic Committee (MOC), during his official visit to the Maldives to view and discuss the proposed aquatics center in Malé, developed by Swimming Association of Maldives. During the meeting, which took place on February 24, Dr. Musallam shared Olympic Council of Asia's plan to provide assistance for individual and team sports for their preparation at international competitions. In addition, Dr. Musallam also shared information about OCA initiatives to assist in the development of sportswomen and emphasized the important role of women in sports. Referring to this Dr. Musallam implored MOC to collaborate with OCA to foster and promote the values of sport among women.









## **Annual General Assembly 2022**

MOC held its Annual General Assembly (AGA) 2022 on 26 March 2022, which was attended by Executive Committee Members and Members of the National Sports Associations. Members from the Commissioner of Sport and National Sports Council also joined the meeting as observers. During the AGA members approved Athletes Commission Member Ms. Nashfa Amira for the Executive Committee of MOC, and Athletes Commission Member Ms. Afa Ismail and Mr. Mubal Azzam Ibrahim as Athlete Representatives for the General Assemblies. In addition, minutes of the 04 Extra-Ordinary General Assemblies held in 2021 were approved by members present at the AGA. The 2021 Annual Report of MOC along with the Financial Report of MOC was approved as well.



During the Assembly, the Paris 2024 Scholarship holders signed the scholarship contract and athletes were officially awarded the Scholarship by President of MOC. Apart from this at the Assembly, MOC conferred special recognition award to it's former President, Secretary General and Treasurer who were long-serving staff of the MOC. Furthermore, MOC also presented awards to those who assisted in making the Queen's Baton Relay (held at Haa Dhaalu and Haa Alifu Atoll from 1-2 January 2022) event of the Commonwealth Games 2022 a huge success. Another notable item on the agenda was the official launching of MOC website.



## Meeting with Asian Table Tennis Union (ATTU) President

Secretary General of MOC Thamooth Ahmed Saeed along with President of Table Tennis Association of Maldives Ali Rasheed met with the Asian Table Tennis Union (ATTU) President Khalil Al-Mohannadi and its members on 12 May, 2022. The ATTU team visited Maldives for the South Asian Junior Cadet Table Tennis Championship (SAJCTTC) which was held from 9-11 May 2022.

The meeting with the ATTU saw a number of discussions, but the main area of focus was to foster more opportunities for the Maldives to host international competitions, specifically since the SAJCTCC proved Maldives has great potential in terms of infrastructure and talent. During the meeting, Khalil Al-Mohannadi also assured that he will work to improve the relationship between Qatar National Olympic Committee and MOC. This will hopefully provide promising opportunities for all sports including Table Tennis.



## Meeting with British High Commissioner to Maldives, H.E Caron Rohsler

British High Commissioner to Maldives, H.E Caron Rohsler and team met with the Maldivian athletes and officials travelling to the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games.

The Games which was held from 28 July to 8 August 2022, was represented by Maldives in Athletics (Men and Women), Badminton (Men and Women), Swimming (Men and Women), Table Tennis (Men and Women) and Beach Volleyball (Men).

At the meeting HC Rohsler congratulated the athletes for making the team and wished everyone luck for the Games. HC Rohsler, who is from Birmingham, further explained that the city is known as the Heart of England where everyone would be met with smiling faces.

All athletes introduced themselves and expressed their gratitude for the personal well wishes by HC Rohsler, and for the support by the British government in preparation for the games.





## **President Bodybuilding International Federation visited MOC**

President of Bodybuilding International federation President visited Maldives Olympic Committee (MOC), during his official visit to the Maldives.

## **Meeting with Deputy Head of Mission of the French Embassy**

Deputy Head of Mission, at the French Embassy, Mr. Aurelien Maillet on June 27, 2022, met with the Secretary General of MOC, Mr. Thamooch Ahmed Saeed over discussions on France-Maldives sporting collaborations. The meeting saw discussions about the opportunities available for Maldives sports as well as strengthening ties between the two countries. Secretary General welcomed Mr. Aurelien Maillet and praised the efforts of the French Embassy, expressing his hope for the cooperation



between the two nations. The meeting was part of Mr. Aurelien Maillet's ongoing official visit to Maldives.



## **President of Maldives Olympic Committee hosts a Taraweeh dinner**

President of Maldives Olympic Committee Mohamed Abdul Sattar hosts a taraweeh dinner for relevant stakeholders in the sports industry. It was joined by the Executive Committee of MOC, members of the Ministry of Youth Sports and Community Empowerment, National Sports Associations and the National Sports Council. The reception took place on 19 April 2022 at Salt Café.



# LAUNCHING OF THE MOC CHILD SAFEGUARDING POLICY

The MOC Child Safeguarding Policy developed by MOC in partnership with Advocating the Rights of Children (ARC) Maldives was launched on 18 May 2022 by the President of the Maldives H.E. Ibrahim Mohamed Solih. The policy aims to create a safe sporting environment for all children, regardless of their involvement in sports, whether as athletes or in other capacities.

The MOC Child Safeguarding Policy is one of the most important initiatives to protect and promote rights of children in Maldivian sports. It provides guidance for coaches, trainers, parents and other technical staff on how to report and respond to child safeguarding concerns.



## COMPOSITION OF MOC COMMISSIONS

After the formation of the Athletes Commission in late December 2021, the appointment of a chairman for the Commission was carried out in March 2022.

Mr. Ahmed Zabeer took the role as the first ever elected Chairman of the Athletes Commission.



## MANAGEMENT & HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Management & Human Resource Development programmes also offer several training opportunities for Sports Administrators and facilitate exchanges of information and experiences between NOCs



(National Olympic Committees). Under this program, over the past years MOC's staff have acquired their Diplomas and continued serving NSAs with an enhanced level of knowledge and expertise. In 2020 three staffs were offered the chance to acquire the professional skills to foster their personal development. These staff pursued the Postgraduate Degree - Master's in Business Administration at the British School of Commerce at Colombo, Sri Lanka. (Full name Shaufa graduated in January 2022, Full name Fariha graduated in December 2022)

## **Master in Sports Ethics and Integrity**

Under the Management & Human Resource Development program, former Olympian, and national swimmer Ms. Aminath Shajan was given the opportunity to pursue the Master's in Sports Ethics and Integrity (MAiSI) program. Ms. Shajan was offered placement at the KU Leuven University of Belgium to complete the MAiSI, upon qualifying for a fully funded scholarship by the Olympic Solidarity. The world-leading Erasmus Mundus MAiSI is a 2-year full-time postgraduate programme that is delivered by six prestigious European universities. Graduation is scheduled for September 16, 2023; this course is currently in its final semester.





## **POSTPONED GAMES**

### **Asian Youth Games 2022 cancelled**


OCA Executive Board decided to cancel the Shantou 2021 Asian Youth Games on May 6, 2022, after discussion with the Chinese Olympic Committee (COC) and Shantou 2021 Asian Youth Games Organising Committee (SAYGOC). Shantou 2021 AYG had been postponed once for pandemic related reasons, unfortunately the current pandemic situation remains unstable. The next Asian Youth Games will be held in 2025 in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

### **Asian Games postponed 2023**

Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) announced, the Asian Games 2022, due to be held in Hangzhou, China in September, was postponed to 2023 due to rising COVID-19 cases in the country. The Games will now be held from September 23 to October 8, 2023.

### **Children of Asia Games**

A decision was made not to participate at the Games due to the communications received from IOC and OCA in relation to the ongoing war.







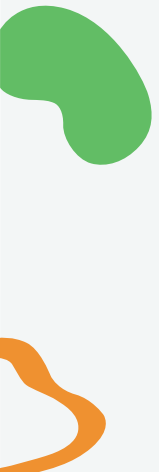
## **Asian Beach Games**

Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) released a statement to say that the situation regarding the global COVID-19 pandemic, travel restrictions and health protocols around the continent had brought about the postponement. The decision aims at serving the common interests of all related National Olympic Committees and ensuring the safety and health of the athletes and all relevant participants.

Hence the following Games have been postponed until further notice.


6th Asian Beach Games, due to be held in Sanya City, China from 2nd – 10th of April 2021.

## **Asian Indoor and martial art Games**

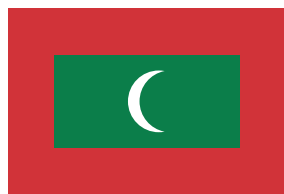


The 2021 Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games, officially known as the 6th Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games and also known as Bangkok–Chonburi 2021, is scheduled to be a pan-Asian multi-sport event in indoor and martial arts sports to be held from 17 to 26 November 2023 in the Thai capital city, Bangkok and the province of Chonburi.

[1] Originally due to take place from 21 to 30 May 2021, the event was postponed in January 2021 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic




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In 2022, a total of USD 494,009.96 was granted to MOC by its affiliated International Federations, while USD 242,042.11 was granted by the government. With the approval of MOC's Executive Committee this was allocated and utilized to carry out MOC's activities. Following are the major activities that utilized MOC's 2022 budget.

- NOC Office & Administrative Expenses
- Management & Human Resource Development Program
- Promotion of Olympic Values
- Program For Coaches
- Athletes Scholarship & Training
- Games & Pre-Games Activities
- Meeting & Seminars
- Sport Development Programmes

## **NOC Office & Administrative Expenses**

Under NOC Office & Administrative Expenses, major expenses included Payroll and Allowance, Office Equipment and Fixed Assets, Maldives Retirement Pension Scheme, Audit and Retainer Consultancy, Information Technology, and Healthcare Insurance, which cost a total of USD 136,047.73.

## **Management & Human Resource Development Program**

The Management & Human Resource Development Program spent USD 6,255.25 on Staff Development and National Courses for Sport Administrators.





## **Promotion of Olympic Values**


The Promotion of Olympic Values spent USD 3,203.00 on International Olympic Academy Young Participant in Greece and National Olympic Academy Session in Sri Lanka.

## **Program For Coaches**

Similar to previous years, MOC spent a total of USD 11,205.07 for the Program for Coaches. International Coaching Enrichment Certification Program and Technical Course for Coaches were the two activities conducted.

## **Athletes Scholarship & Training**

MOC spent a total of USD 137,017.15 on Athletes Scholarships & Training, with a major component of the expenditure going towards the Paris 2024 Olympic scholarship. MOC also provided financial assistance for training to the sports that participated in both Games, which cost USD 38,000.00. The Youth Development Program cost USD 25,067.73





## **Games & Pre-Games Activities**

The most significant expense for MOC in 2022 was the Games & Pre-Games Activities program, which cost USD 200,193.88, with a significant portion spent on both Games.

## **Meeting & Seminars**

USD 47,298.89 was distributed for the various Meetings and Seminars where MOC was represented.

## **Sport Development Programmes**

Under the Sport Development Programs, 88% of the NSA's out of the 17 affiliated members benefited equally in the development of their respective Olympic and Non-Olympic Sport.

