



Online Course on Municipal Solid Waste Management (MSWM)
towards Circular Economy, Session 3. Financial Sustainability
and Policy Arrangements

Greater Malé Environmental Improvement
and Waste Management Project

Greater Malé Waste-to-Energy Project

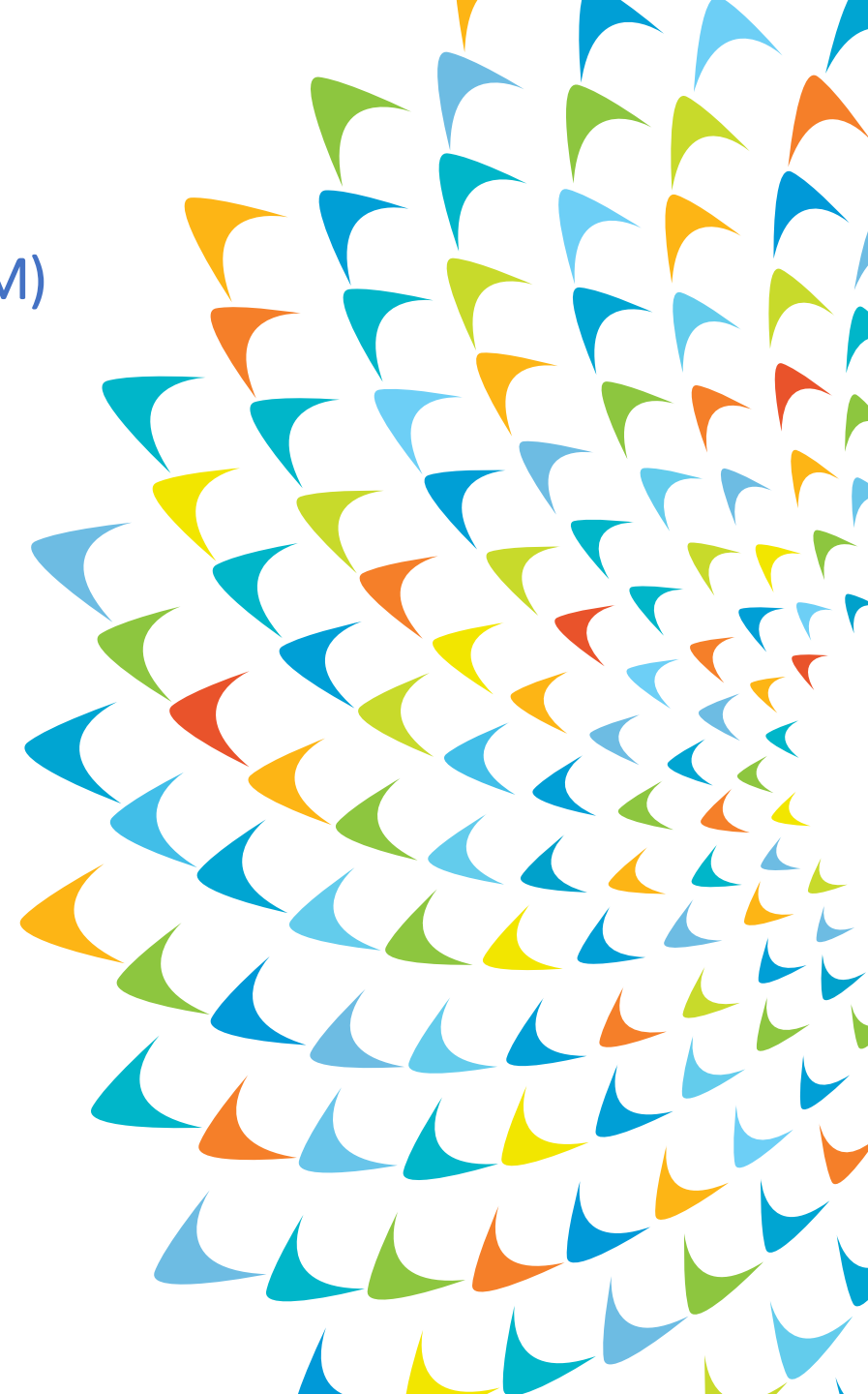
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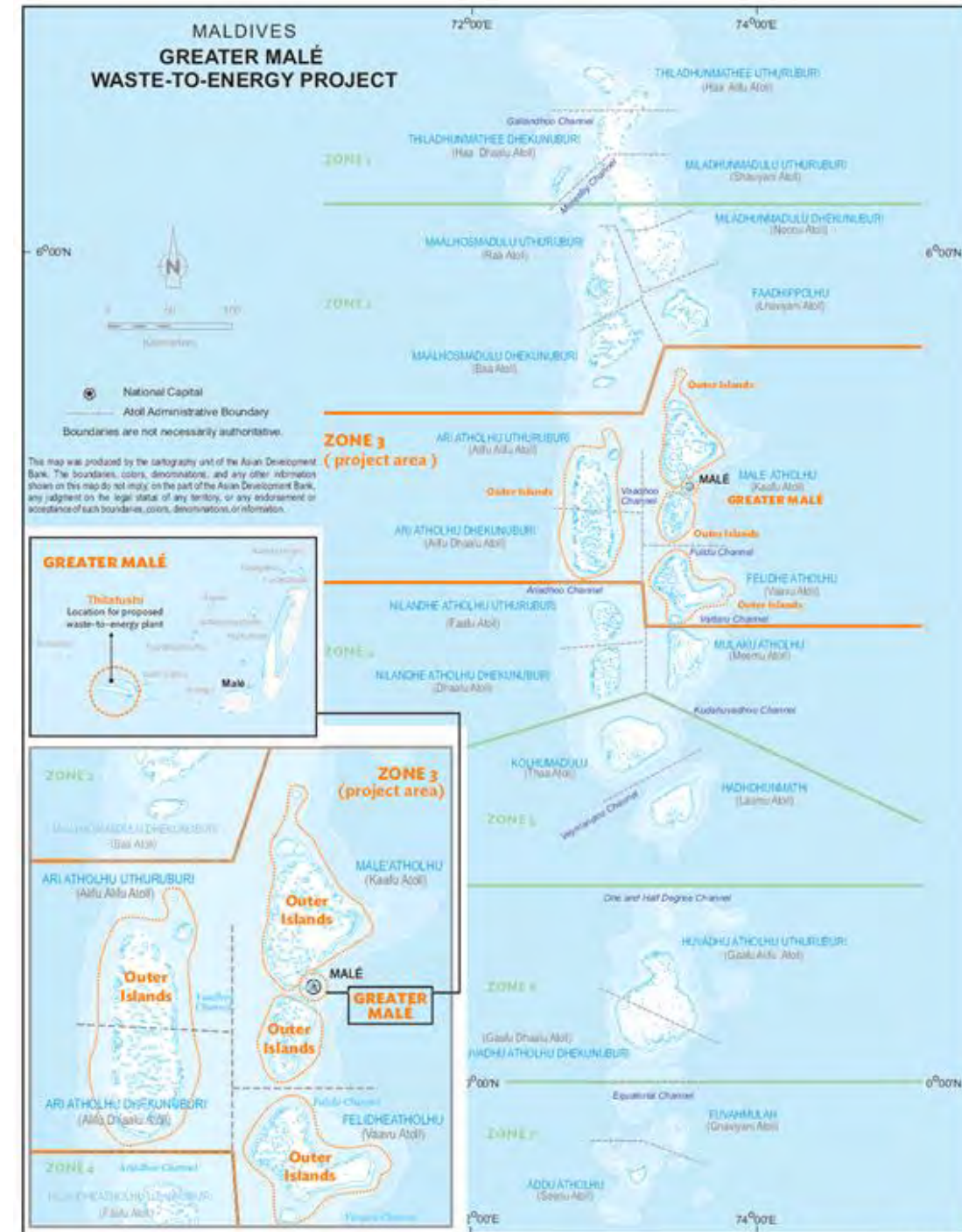
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Context

- End of 2016, the Government requested ADB's support to tackle solid waste critical situation in Zone 3 (project area):
- Greater Malé, 32 small outer islands, and 86 tourist resorts, ~53% of country population
- Inadequate infrastructure and equipment and low institutional capacity for SWM



Strategic approach

Implement urgent measures while achieving higher readiness for complex WTE (land reclamation, bidding, safeguards)

More financing (access to 2 ADF cycles)



Generation



Collection



Transport/transfer



Treatment



Final disposal

GM Environmental Improvement and Waste Management Project 2018-2023

\$40.00 million (ADB and JFPR)

1. Improved waste collection, transfer and disposal in Greater Malé including improved site management and logistics on Thilafushi (temporary measure) + constr and demolition waste
2. Improved outer island waste management system
3. Improved awareness and behavioral change

GM Waste to Energy Project 2020-2026

\$151.13 million (ADB, AIIB, JFJCM)

1. Regional waste management facility with WTE plant and landfill for APC and IBA;
2. Institutional capacity & public awareness

Strengthened **institutional capacities** for sustainable solid waste service delivery and **environmental monitoring**

The project will

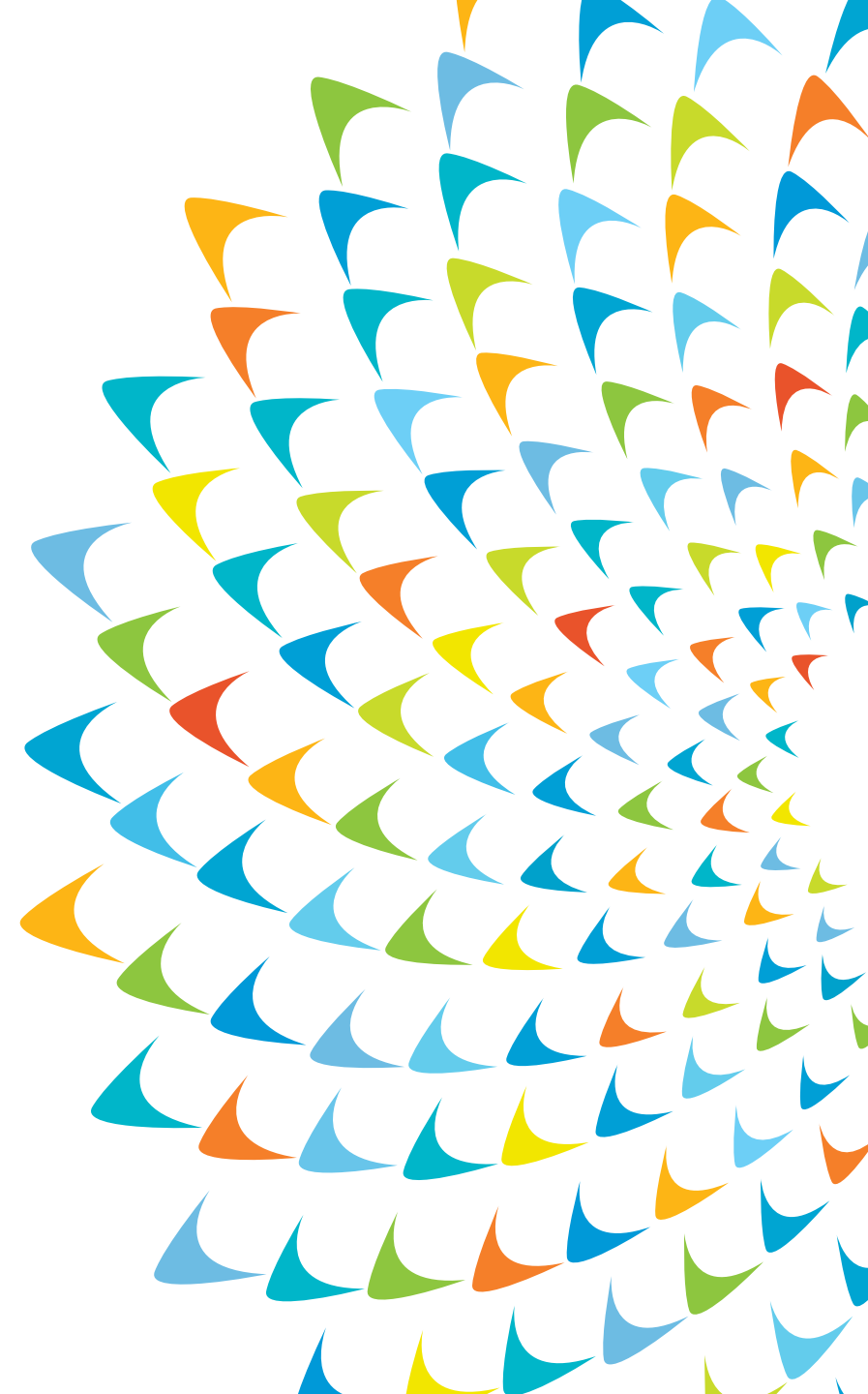


- establish a **sustainable solid waste management system** for the Greater Malé region and its neighboring outer islands, consisting of treatment (proven waste-to-energy [WTE]), recycling and disposal infrastructure
- strengthen **institutional capacities for solid waste services delivery and environmental monitoring**, and improve **public awareness** in reduce-reuse-recycle (3R)
- reduce **greenhouse gas emissions**, create a cleaner environment (ocean health), and improve disaster- and climate- **resilience**



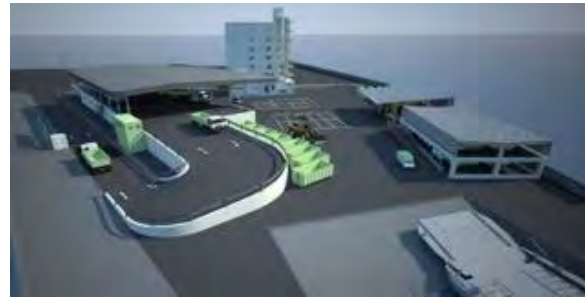
Greater Malé Environmental Improvement and Waste Management Project

Phase 1



Phase 1, \$40m (ADB, JFPR)

- **Output 1:** Waste collection, transfer and disposal systems improved and made climate resilient



Bins, collection vehicles and system optimization

2 transfer stations

3 transfer vessels

Equipment and site optimization at Thilafushi

- **Output 2:** Community-based outer island waste management systems targeting poor and women enhanced



IWMCs + Community capacity building

Phase 1, \$40m (ADB, JFPR)

- **Output 3:** Institutional capacity and public awareness in sustainable waste management strengthened



Importance of grant TA Support and handholding

- Waste Management Specialist / Site Supervisor for Thilafushi Dumpsite Operations
- International Financial and Business Planning Specialist for the Waste Management Sector
- Greater Malé Waste-to-Energy Project - International WTE Expert
- International Financial and Business Planning Specialist for the Waste Management Sector

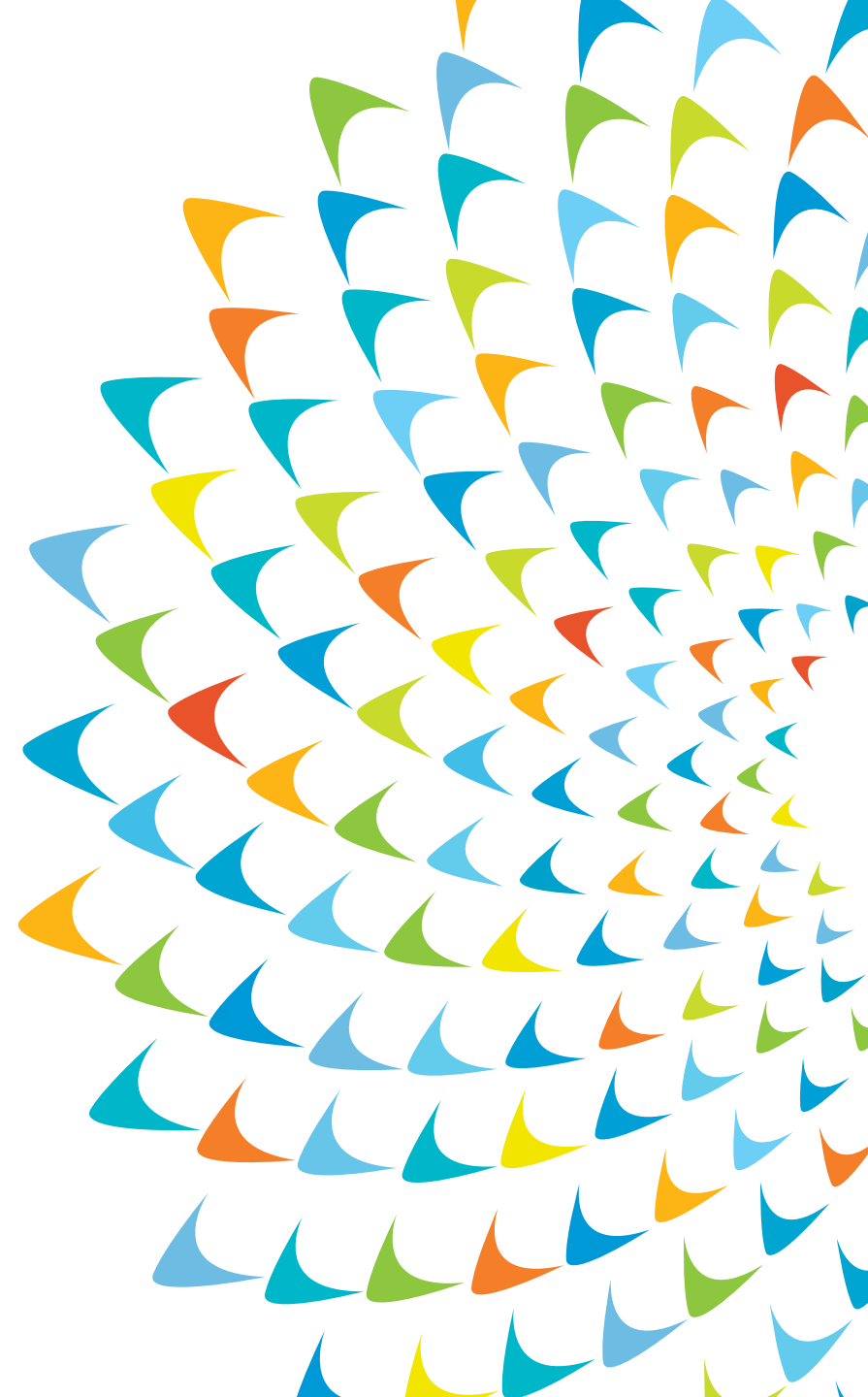
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Greater Malé Waste-to-Energy Project

Phase 2



Output 1

Disaster- and climate- resilient regional waste management facility developed (500t/d WTE – 15yrs DBO – 8MW)



Output 2

Institutional capacity in sustainable WTE service delivery and environmental monitoring, and public awareness on WTE and 3R improved

Greater Malé WTE Project

\$151.13 million (ADB, AIIB, JFICM, GOM)

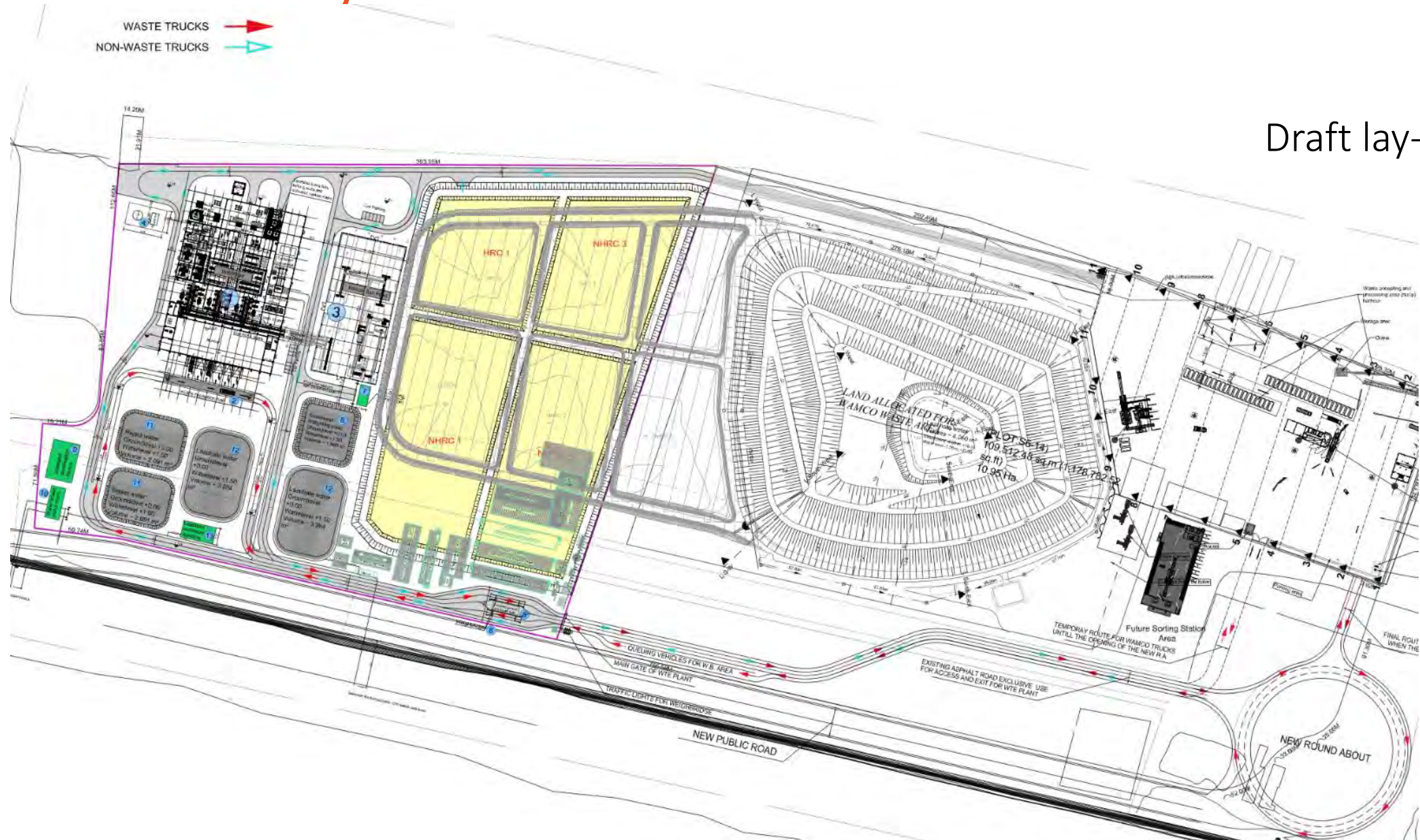
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Summary of the Main WtE Features

- Two line facility, expandable by a third line
- Each line 10.5 tons/h
- Annual capacity 168,000 tons
- Cooled by sea water
- Max power surplus appr. 10.5 MW
- APC system incl. CEMS
- Bottom ash processing facility
- Residue landfill for non-marketable bottom ash and APC residues, with leachate treatment plant
- Admin building, workshop, laboratory etc.
- 15 years Operation Service Period

Summary of the Main WtE Features

Draft lay-out



ADB Value Addition

- Sustainable SWM strategies and solutions suitable for reducing ocean pollution in a small island context
- Adoption of **DBO modality** to tap private sector know-how for efficient and innovative solutions, allocate risk properly, **life-cycle cost, value for money** and ensure sustainability of service provision;
- incorporation of **proven high-level technology and operational standards** into WTE DBO contract to ensure quality infrastructure and high technical and environment performance during operations;
- **strategic procurement** initiatives such as market sounding to understand WTE markets and ensure good competition in small island country context
- **capacity support** for procurement, contract management, safeguards and O&M to procure and manage complex WTE DBO;
- development of an **O&M financing plan** to establish a clear fund flow arrangement and **financing strategy for sustainable O&M → implementation**
- key designs to improve project resilience to **climate and disaster risks**; and
- ensure strong **community consultation and public awareness** on WTE and 3R

Greater Malé



2018, before the project



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DESIGN-BUILD AND OPERATE WASTE TO ENERGY FACILITY IN K. THILAFUSHI

CLIENT
TECHNOLOGY
MALDIVES

REPRESENTATIVE :
CO. KG

ENGINEER :

CONTRACTOR :
KATAS JOINT VENTURE

FINANCING AGENCY :
DEVELOPMENT BANK
INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT BANK
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
REPUBLIC OF MALDIVES

COMMENCEMENT DATE : 02.03.2022

COMPLETION DATE : 30.08.2025



ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK



ASIAN INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT BANK



JAPAN FUND FOR THE JOINT CREDITING MECHANISM

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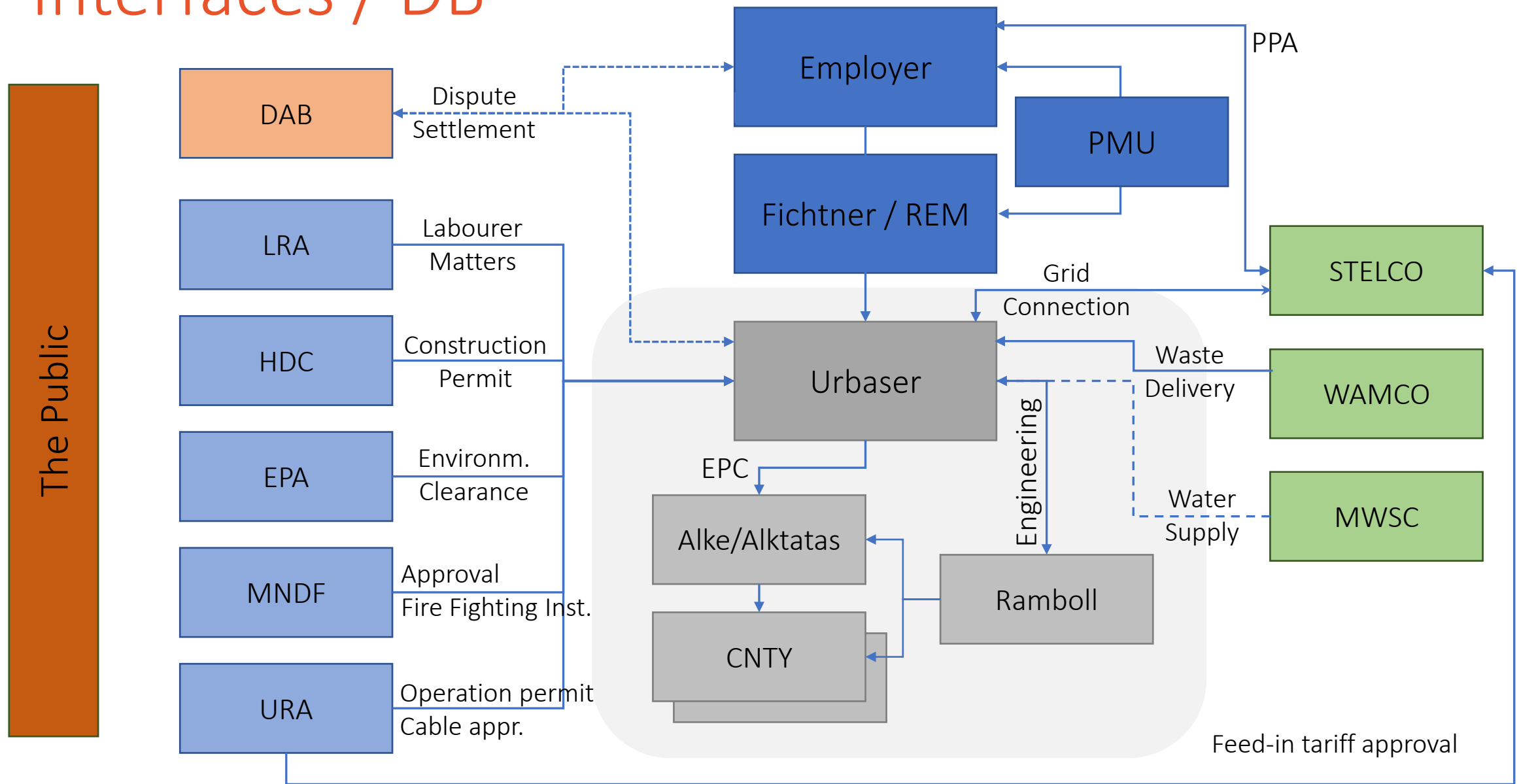


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Interfaces / DB



Integrated approach and TA Support is critical!

- **Technical and operational complexity** in MSW treatment and disposal – limited capacity of local governments.
- **Financial sustainability!** Change of fund flows, tariff structure, accounting systems, difficult to charge; current practice (i.e., linear process) is cheaper (collection, open dump); benefits are mostly positive externalities (GHG reduction, clean air/water).
- Operational **responsibility, accountability** of service providers
- SWM is a **social issue** as much as a technical issue: source segregation is a key but **behavior change** takes time and efforts and citizens' commitment.
- Lack of **accurate indicators** to assess good SWM (e.g., more waste landfilled – is this a good thing?)



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Thank you!

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