

**High Commission of India
Malé, Maldives**

Press Release

The First meeting of the High Level Core Group (HLCG), as mandated by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and President Dr. Mohamed Muizzu to implement the vision of a 'Comprehensive Economic and Maritime Security Partnership', was held in a cordial environment on 29 January 2025 at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Malé, Maldives.

2. Both sides discussed all issues related to bilateral cooperation including, Development Cooperation, Trade and Commerce, Digital and Financial Cooperation, Health Cooperation, Defence and Maritime Security Cooperation, Capacity building and training, people to people linkages, and cooperation at Regional and Multilateral Fora. Both sides agreed for continued engagement to realize the joint vision outlined by the two leaders.

3. It was agreed to hold the second meeting of the HLCG in New Delhi in April 2025 on a mutually convenient date.

**Malé
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