

Delivering a world
where every
pregnancy is
wanted, every
childbirth is safe and
every young person's
potential is fulfilled



UNFPA Maldives
expands the
possibilities for
women and young
people to lead
healthy and
productive lives

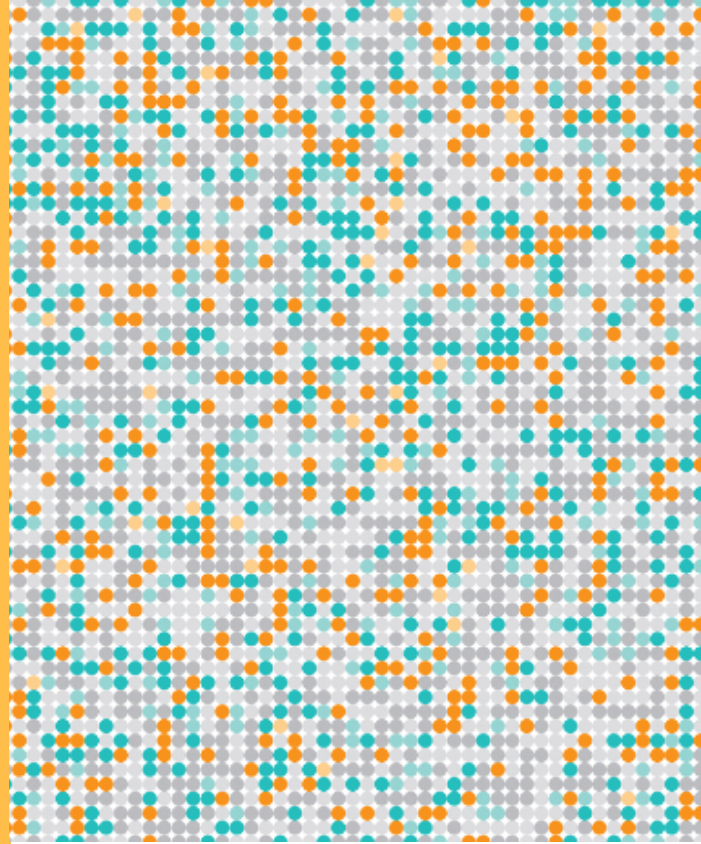


Safe Space

In Male', the capital of Maldives, the only facility that provides SRH information and services to young people is an initiative of the Society for Health Education (SHE) supported by UNFPA. SHE provides counselling, free contraceptives, and consultations with doctors. With the recent popularity of emerging, cozy and artistic cafés among youth in Male', Safe Space sessions bring SRH information to cafés where the youth usually meet, in a friendly environment.

Siththaa App

Siththaa is a UNFPA-supported user friendly mobile application bringing education and information on sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights raising awareness on the importance of being healthy. This youth friendly platform which can be acquired for free and used anonymously, covers Sex & Sexuality, Contraception, Pregnancy, and Consent & Coercion. Users will come across quizzes that test their knowledge about each topic. A chat feature allows users to ask questions about anything regarding the topics or general well-being.



Youth Analysis

UNFPA conducted a study on Maldivian Youth. Like their peers across the globe, young Maldivians are eager to pursue studies and find work as they move into adult life. They begin by migrating to places where opportunities exist. They generally marry in their early to mid-twenties. To become well-rounded individuals, young people must have opportunities to study or work. But it is often difficult for school leavers, who have little or no work experience, to find employment.

Youth, Peace & Security

Peace Begins at Home

Young people are highly engaged in transforming conflict, countering violence and building peace. Yet, their efforts remain largely invisible, unrecognized, and even undermined due to lack of adequate participatory and inclusive mechanisms and opportunities to partner with decision-making bodies. UNFPA encourages policy makers to develop meaningful mechanisms for youth participation and leadership in decision and policy-making from the local to national and international levels. UNFPA also fosters young people's leadership skills, creating an interdependent virtuous cycle to shift the negative perceptions and discourse on young people to that of partners in building peaceful and sustainable communities.

