



HISTORICAL REFERENCES OF SOME ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS



1933. SULTAN MOHAMED SHAMSUDHIN III

25TH APRIL. PASSED A LAW ON THE SALE OF GOVERNMENT TIMBER.

-For every palm or breadfruit tree felled, 4 additional were to be planted

7TH MAY. PASSED A LAW TO CONTROL THE SPREAD OF DISEASES

-Mechanisms were set to collect and dispose household wastes

-banned open defecation on the beach areas

-Established public toilets

-Planted shady trees on the road sides

-Food set for sale were to be hygienically covered

-Decreed to separate and distance the used and waste water seepage from the water wells

SECOND WORLD WAR

1942

-Representatives from the King were sent throughout the nation to advocate on the importance of planting trees

-Tree plantation programmes were carried out in Male'

1945

-A palm committee was established

1993. ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION ACT OF MALDIVES

93/4

"The natural environment and its resources are a national heritage that needs to be protected and preserved for the benefit of future generations. The protection and preservation of the country's land and water resources, flora and fauna as well as the beaches, reefs, lagoons and all natural habitats are important for the sustainable development of the country."

