

## **COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT**

A total of 134 EIAs have been reviewed and approved this year; which includes projects such of dredging, land reclamation, sewerage and sanitation, water, beach replenishment, resort construction etc.

Enforcement of Waste Management regulation and dewatering regulation have been put in to action this year.

76 permits have been issued for dredging and reclamation projects.

Permits have been issued for water networking projects in 5 islands. These islands include Alifu Alifu Ukulhas, Alifu Dhaal Maamigili, Meemu Dhiggaru, Meemu Muli, and Faafu Magoodhoo.

Permits have been issued for sanitation projects in 11 islands; which are Raa Meedhoo, Raa Maduvvari, Haa Alifu Thuraakunu, Haa Alifu Dhidhdhoo, Haa Alifu Hanimaadhoo, Shaviyani Kanditheemu, Noonu Holhudhoo, Raa Kinolhas, Kaafu Gaafaru, Alif Dhaal Omadhoo, Faafu Maqoodhoo and Gaafu Dhaalu Thinadhoo.

Through the dewatering regulation, 42 permits have been issued for construction projects.

Ongoing works for 5 parties was halted and penalized for failing to compliance the regulation.

## Confiscated Slow Loris finds new home.

The slow loris is set to start a new life at the Ape Rescue Centre in England after spending 8 months in Dhoonidhoo. The animal was illegally trafficked into the country, and confiscated by police during a drug raid in Male' earlier January this year. The animal is expected to start a new life at the Shaldon Wildlife Trust in Devon after spending another month in quarantine at Monkey World. The slow loris is to be paired with another slow loris named Doris in the UK.

The slow loris is an Appendix 1 listed species of CITES, which require the highest level of protection in international trade.

