

# SEVERE COASTAL EROSION AT R. UNGOOFAARU ASSESSED

13 October 2010 - Upon receiving complaints from R. Ungoofaaru of the island experiencing aberrant and severe coastal erosion, a survey team from the Ministry visited the island to assess the extent of the problem and losses to the community.



Preliminary assessments indicate an area of 450 square feet lost into the sea from the island in a period of 2-3 days. More than 40 trees and coconut palms have also fallen as a consequence of this incident. The Ministry is now working with the National Disaster Management Centre to put in place temporary measures to check the erosion and loss and damage to the vegetation and infrastructure.

The Ministry will also produce a detailed report of the incident to determine a more permanent solution to the problem.

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