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## Visit of President of Maldives H.E. Abdulla Yameen Abdul Gayoom to India (April 10-11, 2016)

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The President of Maldives, H.E. Abdulla Yameen Abdul Gayoom will be visiting New Delhi on an Official visit on April 10-11, 2016. His Official delegation includes Minister of Foreign Affairs, H.E. Dunya Maumoon, Minister of Fisheries and Agriculture H.E. Dr. Mohamed Shainee and three Members of the Maldivian Parliament.

The programme in Delhi for President Yameen's visit will include a meeting and working lunch with Prime Minister on April 11 and a call on the President of India the same evening. External Affairs Minister's call on President Yameen would start the programme on the morning of April 11, 2016.

India and Maldives commemorated 50 years of diplomatic relations last year. Both countries have historically had a close relationship, both as neighbours and friends in the Indian Ocean region. Ancient ties of trade, culture, linguistic and religious interfaces have provided the foundation for relations in present times.

President Yameen's first State visit after assumption of Office was to India in January 1-4, 2014. He was amongst the SAARC leaders who attended the swearing in of the present Government in May 2014. External Affairs Minister visited Maldives in November 2014 and again in October 2015 for the India-Maldives Joint Commission, which was held after fifteen years.

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