Embudu Village Environmental Policy

At Embudu Village, we recognize the importance of protecting our environment and promoting sustainability in every aspect of our operations. We are committed to minimizing our ecological footprint while enhancing guest experiences and supporting the community. This Environmental Policy outlines our principles, objectives, and strategies to ensure sustainable growth and conservation of natural resources.

Objectives

1. Energy Efficiency and Conservation:

- Reduce energy consumption by 2-3% annually through efficiency improvements and innovative practices.
- Maximize the use of renewable energy sources, including solar power.
- Promote the use of daylight and natural air ventilation in water bungalows, restaurants, and public spaces.

2. Water Management:

- Achieve a 5% reduction in water usage by 2025 through conservation efforts and efficient systems.
- Maintain and upgrade RO plants for optimized performance and minimal waste.

3. Waste Reduction and Circular Economy:

- Educate staff and guests on sustainable waste management practices.
- Implement a circular economy framework by reducing, reusing, and recycling materials.
- Minimize single-use plastics and promote biodegradable alternatives.

4. Environmental Awareness:

- Conduct regular training for staff to enhance environmental awareness and responsibility.
- Engage guests in sustainability initiatives, including beach clean-ups and eco-friendly activities.

Key Environmental Goals

1. Carbon Neutrality:

 Strive to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by increasing renewable energy use and energy efficiency.

2. Resource Conservation:

• Implement water and waste management practices to preserve the island's resources.

3. **Biodiversity Protection:**

• Conserve marine and terrestrial ecosystems by promoting sustainable tourism practices.

4. Community Engagement:

• Foster partnerships with local communities and stakeholders to support environmental and economic sustainability.

Implementation Strategies

1. Energy Conservation:

- Retrofit energy-intensive equipment and adopt energy-efficient technologies.
- Design spaces to incorporate natural lighting and ventilation.

2. Water Efficiency:

- Regularly monitor water usage and leaks to minimize waste.
- Install water-efficient fixtures and systems across the resort.

3. Waste Management:

- Create clear recycling systems for guests and staff.
- Collaborate with vendors to ensure sustainable sourcing and waste reduction.

4. Training and Awareness:

- Host workshops and training sessions for employees and guests on sustainability.
- Share progress through transparent environmental reporting.

Monitoring and Review

We will regularly evaluate our environmental performance against these objectives and update our practices to meet emerging challenges and opportunities. Embudu Village is committed to continuous improvement in sustainability and welcomes feedback from all stakeholders to drive innovation.

This Environmental Policy is a living document, reflecting our commitment to sustainability and our dedication to preserving the Maldives' natural beauty for future generations.

General Manager Embudu Village 11th November 2023