





enterprises and other stakeholders to protect and respect the workers whose human rights have been infringed, by their occupation, and exposure to toxic and hazardous substances.

Amongst the efforts to tackle the problem of lack of effective and efficient waste management system in the country, the Maldives established a Waste Management Corporation Limited (WAMCO) in January 2016, which has contributed towards the efficient waste management disposal in the country.

The inception of a coordinated and planned approach to waste management and disposal, was done by the Government to replace the ad-hoc system we had in place before. The Maldives takes into serious consideration the types of waste, their safe disposal and management, while ensuring that the workers are provided the highest level of care and protection.

Mr President,

In conclusion, we strongly believe that States must do more to respect and protect the rights of those who are most vulnerable, and with respective national action plan developed to ensure safety and protection to the workers.

Thank you