

## Maldivian / مَدْبِين Dhivehi

romanization: national romanization 1987 (= BGN/PCGN 1988) with KNAB modifications

Maldivian is written from right to left.

1	/	h	7	/	k	13	/	th <sup>c</sup>	19	/	z
2	/	sh	8	/	(B)	14	/	l	20	/	t
3	/	n <sup>A</sup>	9	/	v	15	/	g	21	/	y
4	/	r	10	/	m	16	/	gn	22	/	p
5	/	b	11	/	f	17	/	s	23	/	j
6	/	lh	12	/	dh	18	/	d	24	/	ch

<sup>A</sup> Romanized n' if used without any vowel or auxiliary sign: މަންން kan'du.

<sup>B</sup> Not romanized but see note 1.

<sup>C</sup> Character ނ is romanized i·y, e.g. ންންންން ai·ypulhu.

### Consonants with diacritical marks (corresponding Arabic characters in parentheses)

25	/	th'	(ث th)	30	/	sh'	(ش sh)	35	/	'	(ع ')
26	/	h'	(ح h)	31	/	s'	(ص s)	36	/	gh	(غ gh)
27	/	kh	(خ kh)	32	/	l'	(ل l)	37	/	q	(ق q)
28	/	dh'	(ذ dh)	33	/	t'	(ت t)	38	/	w	(و w)
29	/	x	(ج zh)	34	/	z'	(ز z)				

### Vowels (ނ stands for any consonant character)

1	/	a	4	/	ey	7	/	o	10	/	oo
2	/	aa	5	/	i	8	/	oa			
3	/	e	6	/	ee	9	/	u			

### Auxiliary sign (ނ stands for any consonant character):

ނ not romanized; marks absence of the vowel.

### Notes

- The character ނ is not romanized. If it bears a vowel character, that vowel character alone is romanized, e.g. ންންން irugai.

