

MRC-PRS/2023/012

## PRESS STATEMENT

### **MRC announces total funds raised for Palestine Relief Fund from 14<sup>th</sup> October – 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

Maldivian Red Crescent opened an emergency appeal to donate funds to support the response and relief efforts carried out by Palestine Red Crescent (PRCS) amidst the rapidly escalating Humanitarian Crisis in the Gaza Strip. The relief fund initially opened from 14<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> October 2023 was later extended up to 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023 due to the rapidly deteriorating situation in Gaza and the public appeal towards the extension of MRC's Palestine Relief Fund. **The total funds raised for the MRC Palestine Relief Fund between 14<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – 12<sup>th</sup> November is MVR 7,396,662.56.**

As previously announced, Maldivian Red Crescent completed the first tranche of funds received up till 28<sup>th</sup> October 2023. In this regard, a total of MVR 2,105,227.14 (USD 136,526) was transferred to Palestinian Red Crescent Society on 05<sup>th</sup> November 2023 and receipt of funds confirmed by Palestinian Red Crescent Society on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

With the closure of the fund on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023, MRC has initiated the internal processes to fulfil the necessary requirements to transfer the balance amount of MVR 5,291,435.42 as the 2<sup>nd</sup> tranche of the funds received from 29<sup>th</sup> October - 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023. MRC is committed to ensuring complete transparency and accountability for all the donations we receive and will share the public on the transfer and utilization of the funds to help those in need in Palestine.

Maldivian Red Crescent wholeheartedly thank the Maldivian community including government ministries, agencies, businesses, Schools, local councils, NGO's and individuals for the exceptional support towards raising funds to support the humanitarian response and relief efforts by Palestine Red Crescent Society.

19<sup>th</sup> November 2023



