Appendix

Wasted Paradise – Imagining the Maldives Without The Garbage Island of Thilafushi

Model equation, Vensim DSS, Version 6.1c



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Sensitivity to Pollution=

```
1
```

~ Dmnl

 \sim This parameter can change the sensitivity of tourists on pollution. If \backslash

they are not sensitive, it is 0, if they are very sensitive, it is 1.

Effect of polution on Maldives Attractiveness=

(Table for the effect of polution on Maldives Attractiveness (Pollution relative to initial levels\

))^Sensitivity to Pollution

~ Dmnl

~ The more the Maldives are polluted, the higher is their effect on \backslash

Attracttiveness.

Pollution relative to initial levels=

Reference perceived pollution/ Acumulated pollution perceived by tourists

~ Dmnl

~ This variable calculates the relative pollution.

Reference perceived pollution=

3000

~ Tons

~ This parameter sets the reference pollution for the pollution perception.

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Year policy implemented=

```
STEP( 1, 2015 )
```

~ Dmnl

~ It is assumed that all policies are implemented in 2015.

Using Energy from Waste Policy[waste type]=

Energy from waste policy fraction[waste type]*Switch energy from waste policy* Year policy implemented\

*Waste stored on Thilafushi[waste type]

```
~ Tons/Year
```

~ This flow calculates how much waste is tranformed into energy.

Using composting policy[waste type]=

Switch composting policy*Year policy implemented*Composting policy fraction[waste type\

]*Waste stored on Thilafushi[waste type]

~ Tons/Year

~ This flow calculates how much waste is composted.

reduction amount=

0.2

```
~ Dmnl
```

~ This parameter indicates how much of the waste is being reduced.

Using recycling policy[waste type]=

Switch recycling policy*Year policy implemented*Recycling policy fraction[waste type\

]*Waste stored on Thilafushi[waste type]

~ Tons/Year

~ This flow calculates how much waste is recycled.

Waste generated by tourists=

Ι

"# annual tourists" * Tons of waste per tourist per year *Waste reduction policy

~ Tons/Year

~

Switch waste reduction policy=

```
0
~ Dmnl
~ This is a switch
0 = policy off
1 = policy on
```

Waste reduction policy=

```
(1 - reduction amount * Switch waste reduction policy*Year policy implemented)
```

```
~ Dmnl
```

~ This variable calculates how much waste is reduced.

Total waste stored on Thilafushi=

```
SUM(Waste stored on Thilafushi[waste type!])
```

~ Tons

 \sim This variable calculates the total waste on the Thilafushi (all waste \

types).

Waste generated by population=

(Days in Year*Waste per inhabitant in Maldives * Population in Maldives *Waste reduction policy\

)/ (Kilos per ton)

```
~ Tons/Year
```

 \sim This variable caculates the total waste generated by the population

Waste stored on Thilafushi[waste type]= INTEG (

+Waste ferried to Thilafushi[waste type] -Waste burned on Thilafushi[waste type] - Using Energy from Waste Policy\

[waste type]- Using recycling policy[waste type]- Using composting policy[waste type\

```
],
0)
~ Tons
~ This stock indicates the total waste on Thilafushi by waste type.
```

```
Switch composting policy=
```

0 ~ Dmnl

- ~ This is a switch
- 0 = policy off
- 1 = policy on

```
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```

Switch energy from waste policy=

```
0
~ Dmnl
~ This is a switch
0 = policy off
1 = policy on
```

Energy from waste policy fraction[waste type]=

```
0,0,0,0,1
```

```
~ 1/Year
```

 \sim This parameter indicates which waste types are affected by the enrgy from \backslash waste policy.

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Recycling policy fraction[waste type]=

```
0,0,1,1,0
```

```
~ 1/Year
```

~ This parameter indicates which waste types are affected by the recycling \setminus

```
policy.
```

```
Total waste ferried to Thilafushi=
```

```
SUM(Waste ferried to Thilafushi[waste type!])
```

```
~ Tons/Year
```

~ This variable indicates the sum of all waste types ferried to Thilafushi.

```
~ :SUPPLEMENTARY
```

Switch recycling policy=

```
0
```

~ Dmnl

```
~ This is a switch
```

```
0 = policy off
```

```
1 = policy on
```

Composting policy fraction[waste type]=

```
1,1,0,0,0
```

```
~ 1/Year
```

 \sim This parameter indicates which waste types are affected by the composting \backslash

policy.

```
waste type:
```

```
Food, Yard, Plastics, Inorganic, Other
~ Dmnl
~ |
```

Waste Composition in Resorts[waste type]=

```
0.4, 0.38, 0.05, 0.11, 0.06
```

```
~ Dmnl
```

~ |

Waste by type generated by population[waste type]=

Waste generated by population * Waste Composition in Male[waste type]

~ Tons/Year

~ This variable calculates the waste generated by the population - by waste \setminus

type.

Waste by type generated by tourists[waste type]=

Waste generated by tourists * Waste Composition in Resorts[waste type]

~ Tons/Year

~ This variable calculates the waste generated by tourists - by waste type.

Waste generated in Maldives[waste type]=

Waste by type generated by population[waste type] + Waste by type generated by tourists\

[waste type]

```
~ Tons/Year
```

~ This flow changes the stock of waste generated in Maldives.

Waste Composition in Male[waste type]=

```
0.22, 0.528, 0.025, 0.18, 0.047
```

~ Dmnl

~ Thie parameter indicates the waste composition in Male.

Change in resorts=

MIN(Max change in resorts ,("Indicated # of resorts" - Resorts) / Time to build resorts\

)

~ resorts/ Year

```
~ This flow changes the stock of resorts.
```

Maldives Population growth=

Population fractional growth rate data * Population in Maldives

```
~ people/Year
```

~ This flow changes the stock of Maldives population.

Max change in resorts=

5 ~ resorts/Year ~ At maximum, 5 resorts can be opened in a year.

Ave length of stay=

```
9.5
~ day
~ On average, tourists stay 9.5 days on the Maldives.
|
```

Bed Capacity Utilization=

```
MAX ( 0, "Ave # nights required"/"Ave # nights available" )
```

~ Dmnl

~ Bed capacity utilization puts the nights required and the nights available \ into relation with each other.

```
"Ave # nights available"=
```

Annual bed capacity * Days in Year

~ people*day

```
\sim This variable translates the annual bed capacity into the nights available.
```

"Ave # nights required"=

```
"# annual tourists"* Ave length of stay
~ people*day
```

~ |

Time to smooth growth rate data=

```
3
~ Year
~ The smoothing is 3 years.
|
```

Tourism revenue data

~ Rufiyaa/Year

~ ~ :SUPPLEMENTARY

Tourists fractional growth rate=

Normal annual tourist growth rate * Attractiveness of Maldives as tourist destination

~ 1/Year

 \sim Actual tourist fractional growth rate is the product of the Normal annual \backslash

tourist growth rate and the Attractiveness of the Maldives as tourist $\$

destination.

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annual growth of tourists=

Tourists fractional growth rate * "# annual tourists"

~ Tourists/Year

~ |

Tourists fractional growth rate data smoothed=

SMOOTHI(Tourists fractional growth rate data, Time to smooth growth rate data , Tourists fractional growth rate data\

)

```
~ 1/Year
~ The data are smoothed to get the strong fluctuations out.
~ :SUPPLEMENTARY
|
```

Population fractional growth rate data

```
~ 1/Year
```

~ This is the DATA for polulation fractional growth rate.

```
Annual tourists data
```

~ people

~ This is the DATA for annual tourists traveling to the Maldives.

```
~:SUPPLEMENTARY
```

Waste ferried to Thilafushi data

```
~ Tons/Year
```

~ This is the DATA for waste ferried to Thilafushi.

```
~:SUPPLEMENTARY
```

Population data

~ people

```
~ This is the DATA for population.
```

```
~:SUPPLEMENTARY
```

Tourists fractional growth rate data

~ 1/Year

~ This is the DATA for fractional growth rate.

Bed capacity data

~ people

~ This is the DATA for bed capacity.

```
~:SUPPLEMENTARY
```

Bed capacity utilization data

~ Dmnl

~ This is the DATA for bed capacity utilization.

~ :SUPPLEMENTARY

```
"# annual tourists"= INTEG (
```

annual growth of tourists,

```
"Initial # of tourists")
```

~ Tourists

~ The number of tourists traveling to the Maldives per year.

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Time to form expectations on tourists=

5

~ Year

 \sim It takes 5 years for tourists to decide to travel to the Maldives.

Acumulated pollution perceived by tourists= INTEG (

```
Pollution perceived by tourists,
```

Initial perceived pollution)

~ Tons

~ This is the accumulated pollution that the tourists perceive.

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Effect of bed capacity utilization on Maldives Attractiveness=

Table for the effect of bed capacity utilization on Maldives Attractiveness (Ratio of desired to actual bed capacity utilization\

)

~ Dmnl

 \sim The higher the bed capacity utilization, the more attractive the Maldives \

```
as a tourist destination.
```

"Expected # of tourists"=

```
SMOOTH3I( "# annual tourists", Time to form expectations on tourists, "# annual tourists"\
```

)

~ Tourists

~ This variable calculates how many tourists are expected to travel to the \setminus

Maldives. It is a SMOOTH3 function.

"Initial # of tourists"=

33124

~ Tourists

~ |

Attractiveness of Maldives as tourist destination=

"Effect of # of toursits on Maldives Attractiveness" * Effect of bed capacity utilization on Maldives Attractiveness\

* Effect of polution on Maldives Attractiveness

~ Dmnl

 \sim Attractiveness is the product of three effects: Effect of tourists, Effect \backslash

of bed capacity utilization, and Effect of pollution, all ranging between \backslash

0 and 1.

Ratio of desired to actual bed capacity utilization=

```
Desired Bed Capacity Utilization / Bed Capacity Utilization

~ Dmnl

~ |
```

"Table for the effect of # of toursits on Maldives Attractiveness"(

```
[(0,0)-(0.7,1)],(0,0.35),(0.05,0.36),(0.65,0.98),(0.7,1),(1,1),(10,1))
```

~ Dmnl

~ The more tourists travel to the Maldives, the more they talk about the \ Maldives, kicking off the Word-of-Mouth loop, increasing the \ attractiveness.

Carrying capacity of tourists=

30000

~ Tourists

~ The carrying capacity is assumed to be 30,000 tourists.

Table for the effect of polution on Maldives Attractiveness(

```
[(0,0)-(1,2)],(0,0.1),(0.02,0.11),(0.95,0.99),(1,1),(10,1))
```

~ Dmnl

~ The more the Maldives are polluted, the higher is their effect on $\$

Attracttiveness.

"Effect of # of toursits on Maldives Attractiveness"=

"Table for the effect of # of toursits on Maldives Attractiveness"(Tourists relative to carrying capacity\

)

~ Dmnl

~ The more tourists travel to the Maldives, the more they talk about the \ Maldives, kicking off the Word-of-Mouth loop, increasing the \ attractiveness. Initial perceived pollution=

100

~ Tons

~ |

Normal annual tourist growth rate=

```
0.25
~ 1/Year
~ Normal fractional growth rate is 0.25.
```

Table for the effect of bed capacity utilization on Maldives Attractiveness(

```
[(0,0)-(1,1)],(0,0.05),(0.1,0.05),(0.95,0.99),(1,1),(10,1))
```

~ Dmnl

~ The higher the bed capacity utilization, the more attractive the Maldives $\$

as a tourist destination.

Tourists relative to carrying capacity=

Carrying capacity of tourists / "# annual tourists"

~ Dmnl

~ This variable puts the actual number of tourists in relation to the \ carrying capacity.

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```
Annual bed capacity=
```

Resorts * Average beds per resort

~ people

~ |

Maldives Population fractional growth rate=

0.023

```
~ 1/Year
```

- ~ Normal fractional growth rate is 0.023.
- ~:SUPPLEMENTARY

```
Annual tourist spending=
```

```
"# annual tourists" * Ave spending per tourist
```

```
~ Rufiyaa/Year
```

```
~ |
```

Fraction of waste burned on Thilafushi=

0.4

```
~ 1/Year
```

~ 40% of the waste is burned on Thilafushi.

Ave spending per tourist=

1500

```
~ Rufiyaa/(Year*tourist)
```

~ On average, each tourists spends 1,500 Rufiyaa.

Average beds per resort=

160

```
~ people/resort
```

~ Average number of beds per resort

Time to dispose waste=

0.5

~ Year

```
Average time to dispose waste in the island. 6 months is the time that \
waste sits around before it is disposed.

Days in Year=

365
~ days/Year
~ There are 365 days in a year.

Desired Bed Capacity Utilization=

0.5
~ Dmnl
~ 75% desired bed capacity utilization
```

Fraction of waste burned on Maldives=

```
IF THEN ELSE( Time>=2013, 0.6, IF THEN ELSE(Time>=2006, 0.8, IF THEN ELSE( Time>=1992\
```

, 0.8 , 1)))

~ Tons/Year

 \sim Prior to 1992 no waste was sent to Thilafushi. after 1992, the fraction of \setminus

waste burned was 85% (15% shipped to Thilafushi). Then in 2006 it was \backslash

decreased to 75%, amount shipped increased to 25%). Then, from 2013 it was $\$

decreased to 60% (amount shipped was increased to 40%).

Fraction of waste burned perceived by tourists=

```
0.001
```

```
~ Dmnl
```

 $^{\sim}$ 0.1% of the entire waste is burned.

Gap in bed capacity=

```
"Expected # of tourists" * Gap in Bed Capacity Utilization
~ people
~ This variable calculates how many beds are needed in the near future.
```

```
Gap in Bed Capacity Utilization=
```

```
ABS( Desired Bed Capacity Utilization - Bed Capacity Utilization )
```

~ Dmnl

~ This variable calculates the gap in bed capacity utilization.

```
Gap in resorts=
```

```
Gap in bed capacity / Average beds per resort
```

~ resorts

 \sim This variable calculates the resorts needed in the near future.

```
"Indicated # of resorts"=
```

```
Resorts + Gap in resorts
```

~ resorts

~ This variable is the sum of all resorts plus the required resorts.

```
Waste burned on Maldives[waste type]=
```

Waste Ferried or Burned[waste type] * Fraction of waste burned on Maldives

```
~ Tons/Year
```

 $\ensuremath{^\sim}$ This flow indicates the waste burned on the Maldives.

```
Kilos per ton=
```

1000

~ kg/ton

```
~ There are 1,000 kilograms in a ton.
```

```
Waste Ferried or Burned[waste type]=
```

Waste stored in Maldives[waste type] / Time to dispose waste

```
~ Tons/Year
```

~ Part of the waste is ferried to Thilafushi or burned.

```
Waste stored in Maldives[waste type]= INTEG (
```

Waste generated in Maldives[waste type] - Waste Ferried or Burned[waste type],

0)

~ Tons

~ This stock indicates the total waste on the Maldives.

```
Pollution perceived by tourists=
```

SUM(Waste burned on Thilafushi[waste type!])* Fraction of waste burned perceived by tourists

~ Tons/Year

~ This accumulation calculates how much pollution is perceived by the \setminus

tourists.

```
Resorts= INTEG (
```

Change in resorts,

10)

```
~ resorts
```

 \sim It is assumed that there are 10 resorts in 1979.

Time to build resorts=

4

~ Year

~ Average time to build a resort is 4 years.

Tons of waste per tourist per year=

Days in Year*Kilos of waste per tourist per day/ (Kilos per ton)

~ Tons/tourist/Year

~ Each tourist of Maledives generates 3.5 kg of garbage per day.

Source: \

http://www.welt.de/vermischtes/article131144033/Im-tuerkisblauen-Wasser-ein\ e-Insel-aus-Muell.html

Waste burned on Thilafushi[waste type]=

Waste stored on Thilafushi[waste type] * Fraction of waste burned on Thilafushi

~ Tons/Year

~ This flow indicates the waste burned on Thilafushi.

Waste ferried to Thilafushi[waste type]=

Waste Ferried or Burned[waste type] - Waste burned on Maldives[waste type]

~ Tons/Year

~ An average of 330 tonnes of rubbish are brought to Thilafushi every day, most of $\$ which are from MalÃf©.

Source: \

https://globalvoicesonline.org/2014/10/24/theres-an-island-made-of-toxic-tr\ ash-rising-out-of-the-sea-in-the-maldives/

```
Total tourism revenues= INTEG (
```

+Annual tourist spending,

0)

~ Rufiyaa

~ The accumulation of revenues since simulation start.

Kilos of waste per tourist per day=

3.5

- ~ kg/tourist/day
- ~ Each tourist of Maledives generates 3.5 kg of garbage per day.

Source: \

```
http://www.welt.de/vermischtes/article131144033/Im-tuerkisblauen-Wasser-ein\
e-Insel-aus-Muell.html
```

Waste per inhabitant in Maldives=

1.2

- ~ kg/person/day
- ~ Each inhabitant of Maledives generates 1.2 kg of garbage per day. Source: \setminus

http://www.welt.de/vermischtes/article131144033/Im-tuerkisblauen-Wasser-ein\ e-Insel-aus-Muell.html

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```
Population in Maldives= INTEG (
```

```
Maldives Population growth,
```

```
152143)
```

```
~ people
```

```
~ 394.000 people in 2014
```

Source: \

```
http://www.welt.de/vermischtes/article131144033/Im-tuerkisblauen-Wasser-ein\
e-Insel-aus-Muell.html
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Simulation Control Parameters

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```
FINAL TIME = 2050
      ~ Year
      ~ The final time for the simulation.
      INITIAL TIME = 1979
      ~ Year
      ~ The initial time for the simulation.
      SAVEPER = 1
      ~ Year [0,?]
      ~ The frequency with which output is stored.
      TIME STEP = 0.015625
      ~ Year [0,?]
      ~ The time step for the simulation.
```