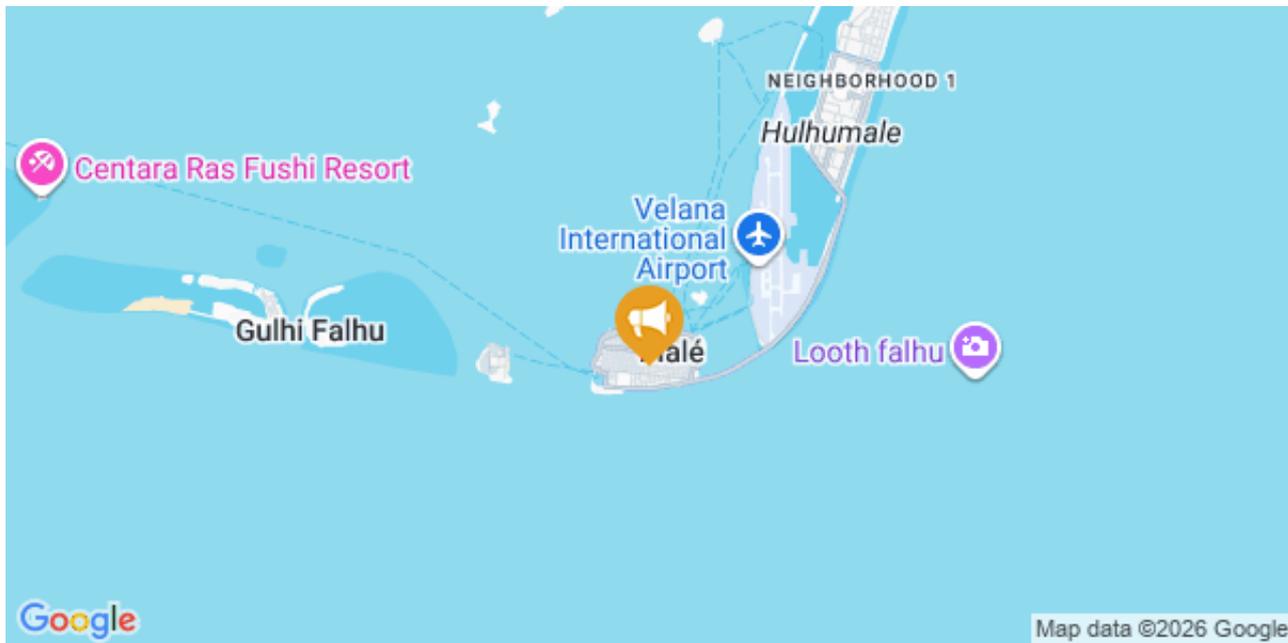




## Protest



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**Maldives Tactical: Opposition MDP to protest near Jamaluddin School in Male from 16:30 (local time) on March 4; maintain vigilance**

### Current Situation:

- The opposition Maldivian Democratic Party (MDP) is slated to hold a protest near Jamaluddin School in Male from 16:30 (local time) on March 4.
- The slated demonstration will be held as part of their campaign “noonekey” to oppose the presidential decree calling for a public referendum to decide on holding the presidential and parliamentary elections simultaneously.



Source: [MDP Secretariat](#)

## Assessments & Forecast:

1. The turnout at the slated protest is likely to range in the mid-to-high dozens based on MDP's mobilization capabilities in the city. As part of the standard security protocol, the authorities are likely to implement security measures in the vicinity of the Jamaluddin School. These measures will include the deployment of police personnel and the placement of barricades to monitor the crowd and pre-empt travel disruptions.
2. There remains a latent likelihood of localized scuffles between demonstrators and the law enforcement officials, given the anti-government nature of the protest. Should participants engage in disruptive behavior such as blocking adjacent roads or breaching established security barricades, the authorities are expected to respond with forcible crowd dispersal measures, including temporary detentions. Localized disruptions to vehicular and pedestrian traffic are anticipated in the vicinity of Jamaluddin School due to the anticipated turnout and associated security measures on March 4.

## Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Male on March 4 are advised to maintain vigilance in the vicinity of Jamaluddin School due to the slated protest and related risk of localized scuffles while allotting for travel disruptions.