

## PRESS RELEASE

### **MOU SIGNED BETWEEN CAPITAL MARKET DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY & THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OF SRI LANKA**

**Male', July 21<sup>st</sup> 2024:** The Capital Market Development Authority (CMDA) and the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka (SEC) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to facilitate companies listed on the Maldives Stock Exchange(MSE) to have a secondary listing on the Multi Currency Board (MCB) of the Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE) and to enhance efficient capital formation for such companies, to protect the interest of those investors who will trade on the MCB and to provide a framework for co-operation, exchange of information and for mutual assistance in carrying out regulatory functions of the Authorities. The MoU was signed by the Chief Executive Officer of CMDA, Mr. Mohamed Hussain Maniku and the Director General of SEC of Sri Lanka, Mr. Chinthaka Mendis.

Under the MoU, the areas of cooperation are as follows:

- I. Assisting in the discovery of and taking action against insider dealing, market manipulation and other irregular and fraudulent practices in securities dealings in relation to companies listed on the Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE).
- II. Enforcement of laws, rules and regulations relating to the issuing of, dealing in, arranging deals in, managing and advising on securities and other investment products listed on the Multi Currency Board (MCB).
- III. Supervising and monitoring mainly the trading on the MCB of the CSE and clearing and settlement activities relating to trades carried out on the MCB and their compliance with the relevant laws and regulations.
- IV. Promoting and securing the required professional standards of registered/licensed persons who are providing financial services in relation to trading of securities listed on the MCB and promoting high standards of fair dealing and integrity in the conduct of their business.
- V. Ensuring compliance by issuers, directors, officers (key management personnel) shareholders and professional advisers of companies listed on the MCB with the listing rules of the CSE and with all other Rules and Regulations where relevant and to make full, accurate and timely disclosure of information relevant to investors.
- VI. Institutional capacity building among the two Authorities.

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