

I am Fathimath Sauda, one of three women parliamentarians in the 93-member People's Majlis of the Maldives, representing Nilandhoo Constituency since May 2024. I currently serve as Chair of the Committee on Human Rights and Gender, and as a member of the Committee on Social Affairs and the Committee on Decentralization. My parliamentary work has focused on legislation and oversight addressing issues that disproportionately affect women and girls, with a strong emphasis on women's economic and political empowerment. From my party line, I played a key role in the Cross-Party Statement on Ensuring Safety and Equal Opportunities for Women in the Maldives, demonstrating my commitment to collaboration beyond political divides. My leadership is inclusive, transparent, and results-driven. I prioritize dialogue, consensus-building, and accountability. If elected Chair, I will work to amplify women's leadership in all Commonwealth parliaments and deliver tangible improvements for women, families, and communities across member states.