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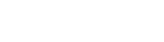
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## 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment to Regulation Number: 2021/R-22 (Water Resources Protection and Management Regulation

1.	Amendment to article 6 (b) of the regulation				
Groundwater (Groundwater Lens) conservation	6.	(b)	In order to manage and conserve the ground water encompassed in each island, with the guidance of the ministry and Environmental Protection Agency island council shall publish in government gazette, with the approval of the authority within 14 (fourteen) months from the date of effectiveness of "Water resource conservation and management plan" regulation.		
2.	Amendments to article 18 (a) and (b) of the regulation				
Usage of well water for basic amenities	18.	(a)	All devices/appliances utilized in the usage of groundwater, setting up of water networks and toilets shall be labelled and rated, in addition of establishing a structure for taking incentive, and thus structure shall be published in the government gazette within 12 (twelve) months from the date of effectiveness of this act.  In order to identify the effect of groundwater extraction to groundwater lens, every Island Council shall keep a record of the following information. This information shall be shared with the Ministry and Authority before the end of each year.  (1) Information regarding size of land and type of water (well water, rainwater, public or private water plant) used in areas of farming or any type of industrial projects carried out in uninhabited islands within the premises of island council.  (2) Number of wells		

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			(3)	Number of wells which withdraws water using pump		
			(4)	Capacity of pump used in wells		
			(5)	Volume of water (if using boreholes for extraction)		
			(6)	Water quality report, if the island has established		
				groundwater testing and monitoring devices		
3.	Amendments to article 25 (a) of the regulation					
Reporting	25.	(a)	Any damage to the groundwater lens due to the actions or			
problems and			neglect of a person, the problem shall be reported to the			
finding solutions			Authority by the person or person identifying such a problem			
			within 24 (twenty-four) hours. In reporting the problem, the			
			person shall follow the regulations established by the			
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4.	This regulation will come into effect after its publication in the					
	Government Gazette.					

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