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The Indic language spoken in the Maldives. Also called *Maldivian*.

[Dhivehi *dhivehi*, Maldivian, ultimately from Middle Indic *dīpa-*, island, from Sanskrit *dvīpaḥ*, island; see **dwo-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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