

113. When President Nasheed entered the main gates of Bandaara Koshi, he addressed some military officers gathered there and said police out there had mutinied and needed to be arrested. He then went inside and into the Defense Minister's office.
114. An additional military platoon came out and arranged themselves in front of the Shaheed Hussein Adam building on the east of the Republic Square.
115. Military began to warn the police in the Republic Square to vacate the area. Police took up their shields and came to a state of readiness.
116. The Fajr prayers were called at the time.
117. Coalition protesters brought down completely the fence erected near the MMA area.
118. When they felled the fence, military fired gas canisters into the crowds to try and control them. But some of them entered the Republic Square. Police were warning the public to stand back.
119. Police made it clear to the military they were ready for a confrontation. Police were warning the public to be calm and to leave the area.
120. Some members of the police tried to calm down fellow officers.
121. At the time MNDF Male' Area Commander and two other senior officers were at the Square.
122. The Officer in Charge of the Armoury ordered his subordinates not to hand over the keys without his prior permission to anyone, no matter who gives the order.
123. All bullets used in patrol were confiscated from all military officers on duty.

**05:00-06:00**

124. A Minister asked one of the military officers at the gates to arrange for some MDP people coming towards Reef Side to be allowed into the republic Square through the police barricades. A senior officer in the Male' Area Command said he would make the arrangements and went inside.
125. The police cordons near MMA were moved forward past the MMA while police cordons near the Reef Side and Islamic Centre junction were moved back towards the Bandaara Koshi.
126. A number of MDP activists armed with wooden planks and sharp implements arrived in a pick-up truck came through the Islamic Centre lane and entered the Republic Square to confront the police.
127. Police and Coalition protesters confronted them and pushed them back.

128. Police ordered the public not to enter into the confrontation between the police and the military. Police assured the public that nothing will go wrong.
129. Police cordoned off the western side of Republic Square and pushed the public back.
130. Members of the military carrying shields on the eastern side of the Square pushed back up to Jumhooree Hin'gun.
131. President Nasheed ordered the Commissioner to go to the Republic Square to meet with the police.
132. It was announced at the Republic Square that the Commissioner will meet the police.
133. Commissioner left the Bandaar Koshi and went into the Shaeedh Hussein building without meeting with the police.
134. Police said they would not initiate a confrontation with the military But said they were ready for a confrontation if the military were to initiate one.
135. It was announced that the Commissioner would not meet the police in the Republic Square. He ordered the police to go to the Iskandhar Koshi if they wanted to meet him.
136. Police arranged themselves in platoons with the police in riot gear at the front and they began to pray loudly. Verbal exchanges took place between senior police and military officers.
137. Military officers who had come out to confront the police and were near the Shaheed Hussein Adam building retreated back into the Bandaara Koshi.
138. President Nasheed met with the platoon that retreated into the Bandaara Koshi. He asked the commander if he had any reservations in carrying out the order to arrest the police. When he answered in the affirmative, the president replied it was all right for him to stand aside without participating in the Operations. Two other commanders said they too had reservations and stepped aside.
139. The Minister arranged for a new ground commander.

**06:00-07:00**

140. When the Coalition protests were going on at the MMA area, the police had cordoned off the Reef Side area and the Islamic Centre lane.
141. Members of the public at the Republic Square provided the police with water and food.

**07:00-08:00**

142. President Nasheed went for a walk inside Bandaara Koshi He met and talked with about three groups of military persons during the walk.

143. Suddenly, without consulting with the military, President Nasheed went to the Republic Square and began addressing the police. In addition to the bodyguards who accompanied him, Defense Minister and Chief of Defense Forces were with him. When he spoke, some MPs were also beside him.
- "I am still talking to the Maldivian police. I think you have done something wrong I accept that given the way things happened you may not have properly realized what you were doing or where you were going. But, it is still my wish that you hand yourselves over to the police station or to the military. I assure you that I will not allow anything bad to happen to you."*
144. Police refused to accept President Nasheed's proposal to hand themselves over to the military.
145. President Nasheed called over to him one of the policemen who he sent over to the military. When he called a second policeman, even though he came over, returned to sit with the police who had started protesting.
146. When a policeman called for President Nasheed's resignation, a senior police officer stopped him. When the president began returning to the military headquarters, the police shouted loudly.
147. En route to the military headquarters, President Nasheed stopped to speak to two MPs where Ameer Ahmed Magu and Jumhooree Magu meet.
148. Police called on the public to leave and for journalists to stay in a designated area.
149. President Nasheed returned to the Bandaara Koshi and called many people on the phone.
150. Some people affiliated with MDP gathered at the Reef Side, calling for traitors to be arrested.
151. MNDF came out of BK to block all roads leading to the Republic Square.
152. Police continued to demand that they not be given any unlawful orders. Police were also calling loudly for the public to refrain from joining in the conflict and to stay away from it.
153. All MNDF were ordered into Bandaara Koshi because President Nasheed wanted to meet with them. Even the soldiers manning the cordons abandoned their posts when ordered into the meeting.
154. MNDF entered Bandaara Koshi, removed their gear, and sat down in the area designated for religious sermons.
155. Police arranged themselves into U-shape lines to the east of the helipad on Republic Square and began reciting their mission [azum] loudly.

156. As the police were finishing their recital, a group of MDP protesters holding hands approached the police from the back. Police and Coalition protesters confronted them and dispersed them. Several MDP people and police were injured during the attempts to stop the confrontation. Rumors spread among the police that one of their members had been stabbed in the neck with steel rod.
157. President Nasheed watching the scene from the second floor of Bandaara Koshi came running down, crossed the main gate area and stood on the sports verandah. From there he returned to the main gate area, and on the way stopped at the Officers' Mess Room and looked inside.
158. When the noise outside the main gate area of Bandaar Koshi became very loud, members of the military who were waiting to meet with the president ran towards the main gate assuming that people were trying to force their way into the military headquarters.
159. When the military who were running towards the gate realised that nobody was trying to force their way in, they returned to the building without venturing out. Those who did go out arranged themselves in a line across Ameer Ahmed Magu.
160. Standing inside the main gates of Bandaara Koshi, President Nasheed kept ordering the military to go out and confront the police. Some ministers and an MP with the president kept repeating his orders. Some military personnel, who had gone out without their gear kept returning inside to collect it.

**08:00-09:00**

161. Police approached the military personnel standing across Jumhooree Hin'gun and asked them not to attack them. Some of the military who had come out of the building joined with the police.
162. While members of the military who had come out began to engage in verbal exchanges with the police instead of preparing for a confrontation, a gas canister was thrown from behind the police near the gates of Bandaara Koshi.
163. From here onwards police released a lot of gas. A large number of the military and public at Republic Square dispersed from the area as a result. The way the wind was blowing that day, all the gas travelled south towards Bandaar Koshi. Shortly afterwards, the police moved forward spraying tear gas as they approached. The police and the public threw at the military anything they could get their hands on. The confrontation on both sides was intense and the public, military and the police sustained varying degrees of injuries.
164. Public and the police confronted the military and pushed them back as far as their main headquarters. As the military retreated, they were firing riot guns.
165. Once most of the military on retreat had entered the headquarters, the main gates were shut. Some members of the military could not get in and had to remain outside.

166. Police and public were throwing bottles and various other things in the whole area. Chairs and various other household equipment were also thrown onto the streets and into the Bandaara Koshi from within the building.
167. Windows on the first floor of the military headquarters were opened and shields were distributed to military personnel and the public.
168. All areas near the Republic Square were brought under police control. The area was under the supervision of the police and the public.
169. President Nasheed's wife and two children were moved from Mulee Aage to a safe area by her security detail on her request.

**09:00-10:00**

170. Cabinet Secretariat notified all cabinet members via SMS, except Vice President, that the cabinet meeting was on that day. Although the Vice President's secretariat was aware of the meeting, Dr Waheed did not receive the message. Two senior members of the Vice President's secretariat did not report for work that day.
171. En route to the cabinet meeting, president of MDP Ibrahim Didi (Dr Didi) called the president on the phone and discussed how to bring about a resolution to the political turmoil. Dr Didi's proposal was to talk to all the main political parties and issue a joint statement. President Nasheed agreed to the suggestion.
172. Dr Didi contacted the leader of DRP on the phone and asked him for assistance in issuing a joint statement. Thasmeen replied that he cannot proceed without a sign to do so from President Nasheed.
173. Parliamentary Leader of PPM Abdulla Yameen was also contacted. Yameen also replied that he could not proceed without a sign from President Nasheed himself. Dr Didi called President Nasheed and conveyed the message.
174. Dr Didi met with those who attended the cabinet working session at the Izzuddheen Hall at President's Office and told them discussions were underway, with guidance from President Nasheed, to issue a joint statement from all political parties.
175. When some Ministers asked why President Nasheed was not present, and objected to such a discussion being chaired by Dr Didi in his absence, Chief of Staff at the President's Office placed a conference call to the President. The call could be heard by everyone present.
176. During the discussions between the president and the cabinet one Minister asked why Criminal Court Chief Judge had not been released as previously agreed. President Nasheed replied even that could not be accomplished. When another Minister asked him how he was and how things were at the military headquarters, he replied everything was fine at the headquarters and that he had just had a cup of tea and was lying down resting.

177. Some ministers left the meeting then, saying the meeting could not go ahead without President Nasheed.
178. When the session was over Dr Didi phoned President Nasheed again and asked his opinion on how to continue with the problem of the joint statement, the president told Didi to proceed in consultation with North Machchangolhi MP Mariya Didi and Hinnavaru MP Ibrahim Mohamed Salih (Ibu).
179. Former Assistant Commissioner of Police Abdulla Riyaz and former Deputy Commissioner Mohamed Fayaz had a discussion on the phone from their respective homes about the events at Republic Square and decided to go to the Square. Fayaz had been on the phone with police officers at the Republic Square since the night before, gathering information. Riyza was calling Fayaz and getting updates from him.

#### 10:00-11:00

180. Mariya Ahmed Didi did not answer the phone, so Dr Didi rang Ibrahim Mohamed Salih who said he will respond after talking to President Nasheed.
181. When he did not hear from Salih after a while, Dr Didi again phoned President Nasheed who told him that the Indian High Commissioner D.M.Mullay was attending to it and that he would be contacting Dr Didi
182. High Commissioner Mullay phoned Dr Didi and asked him if he could come to the Indian High Commission (Athireege Aage)
183. When Dr Didi arrived at the High Commission Abdulla Yameen was already there. Mullay said Ahmed Thasmeen Ali was also to attend the meeting. High Commissioner said he had called Thasmeen and he would make all the administrative arrangements for the meeting once he arrived.
184. The main purpose of the meeting held at the High Commission was to speak with opposition leaders and secure a three day grace period for the government to try and resolve the conflict.
185. When Abdulla Yameen questioned Dr Didi's status at the meeting he said he was there as a representative of President Nasheed at his behest.
186. Ibrahim Mohamed Salih phoned Yameen and said President Nasheed had decided to resign.
187. Yameen told Dr Didi, who phoned the president for confirmation. Without giving him an answer, President Nasheed asked Dr Didi to hand the phone over to Yameen. In his conversation with Yameen, he said he had decided to resign and asked Yameen to arrange protection for him and his family. Yameen said he would do everything he can to do so.

188. Yameen left saying there was no further need for the meeting as President Nasheed had decided to resign.
189. At the police main headquarters, Shaheed Hussein Adam Building, the police flag was lowered completely and the national flag lowered to half-mast.
190. The three police officers who were outside the command structure and who had been active at the Artificial Beach area on 6 February 2012 were apprehended and detained within the police station.
191. Military personnel who were at the gates of their headquarters waved at the police in celebration.
192. A group of military personnel wanted to join the police outside MAC asked President Nasheed if he should arrest them. The President ordered that they should not be arrested.
193. The military personnel who came from Kalhuthukkalaa Koshi joined the police.
194. The public and police at Republic Square called for President Nasheed's resignation.
195. When a military General advised the president that the only way to stop the police now was to use guns, Nasheed prohibited the use of guns under any circumstances.
196. Police at the Republic Square warned that the military may open fire at them. They also warned the public to lie down if the military started firing.
197. Former police officers Mohamed Fayaz and Abdulla Riyaz, with former military officer Mohamed Nazim, went to the main gates of the headquarters. Their wish was that the military did not fire into the police gathered at the Republic Square. The military demanded from them [the three men] to push back the police at the gates of their headquarters.
198. Mohamed Fayaz spoke to the police gathered at the Republic Square and persuaded them to go back as far as the Shaheed Hussein Building and emptied the area near the gates of Bandaara Koshi.
199. Fayaz appealed to the military very loudly not to use any lethal weapons. A military general asked Fayaz to get the police to renew their oath. Fayaz replied that it could not be done in such a situation.
200. Fayaz proposed that the three branches of government discuss and find a resolution to the problem of the police gathered at the Republic Square. He made the proposal, while standing outside the gates of the headquarters, to the Chief of Defence Force and generals inside. With this proposal police made efforts to bring the Speaker of the Parliament and Chief Justice to the area.
201. Fayaz went into the crowds gathered at the republic Square with a megaphone and addressed them to explain his proposal and to calm the crowd down.

202. Police were unsuccessful in their attempts to bring the Speaker of the Parliament and Chief Justice to the area.
203. A Chief Inspector at the main headquarters of the police was brought out to be sent home as a protective measure. However, when he refused, he was taken to Ghaazee Building. As he was being taken to a speedboat to carry him to Dhoonishoo [prison island], as a protective measure, police and members of the public attacked him.
204. Deputy Commissioner and some senior officials were taken out of Male' on police speedboats.

#### 10:00-11:00

205. Abdulla Riyaz and Mohamed Nazim entered Bandaara Koshi on invitation from Defence Minister. When Nazim entered the premises a large number of military personnel greeted him and celebrated.
206. Riyaz and Nazim met with the Defence Minister. In addition to the Defence Minister, Chief of Defence Force, generals and Staff Officer were also present at the meeting.
207. Media reports reported members of the public at the Republic Square as saying President Nasheed had been arrested.
208. When Qaumeer Party leader Dr Hassan Saeed received news that Indian military were arriving to help resolve the situation, he clarified the news from the Indian High Commission. Deputy leader of the Qaumeer Party announced to the public at the Republic Square that Dr Hassan Saeed had received assurances from the Indian High Commission that Indian military will not be coming to the Maldives.
209. Led by the Qaumeer Party, two members of the public filed a case at the Supreme Court in relation to President Nasheed's legal status.
210. After Abdulla Riyaz and Nazim conducted their negotiations inside Bandaara Koshi, Nazim emerged to address the Republic Square. He said he had made two proposals.

*"Assalaam alaikum. I hope everybody is okay. Yes, I have just met with the Defence Minister and all high-ranking military personnel and made a proposal of ours. The proposal was that the President should resign without condition. And, after that, to transfer all powers to the Vice President. Our second condition was that the Commissioner of Police Ahmed Faseeh and both his deputies resign at once. We told them these are non-negotiable conditions. These are not things up for further discussion. We assure the beloved Maldivians, military and police who are with us that, God willing, these things will happen this way by the deadline we have set for 1:30 today. When I entered the military headquarters I was given a very happy scene. Everyone within the military lifted me up and very completely revealed their support for me. God willing, things will happen today as we want. I ask the military, police and people to patiently remain with us."*



211. Some former police and military personnel were active in the Republic Square.
212. MNDF started patrolling different areas of Male'.
213. Assistant Police Commissioner Hussein Waheed, who had previously been asked to resign, was brought back to the main police headquarters in a police van. When he arrived, he met with some of the political figures in the Coalition waiting there in anticipation of the arrival of Chief Judge of the Criminal Court in Male'.
214. President Nasheed came down to the yard in the military headquarters and met with some military personnel of other ranks and asked their opinion on what he should do next. He addressed a particular person within the group, who replied that he should resign. President Nasheed replied that it was the response of only one person and asked if others in the group shared the opinion. They all lifted their arms up in agreement. Although Chief of Staff and military generals and other officers were present, they did not partake in the interaction.
215. It was announced at the Republic Square that President Nasheed had decided to resign and that the resignation will be at the President's Office in front of the media. Members of the public began to celebrate at the Republic Square when they heard the news.
216. Nazim appealed to the people gathered not to harm the President on his way to the Office.
217. President Nasheed wanted to walk to the Office to resign [only a few metres away] and even though he said nobody would harm him, the military was of the opinion that it would be risky and refused.
218. Speaker of the Parliament released a statement regarding the unrest in Male':

*"The Maldivian nation is currently facing a frightening and tragic situation. I appeal to all the people of the Maldives and to its institutions to wholly obey the Constitution and the laws of the land. I also call upon all the people and institutions not to engage in any unlawful activities under any circumstances. All citizens should remain friendly and calm, and give priority to peace. What we are seeing today is not something that anyone of us want to see on our beloved land. None of us want people to damage the life and property of others or the property of the state. We should always remember that we are people steadfast in our Islamic faith and call upon you to maintain our sense of brotherhood as instructed in the religion. My prayer is that this country will always remain safe and peaceful."*

**12:00-01:00**

219. Chief Judge of the Criminal Court was brought to Male' in a police speedboat.
220. Media arrived for a press conference at the President's Office on their invitation

221. President Nasheed arrived at the President's Office in a car. The military were around the car, maintaining security. But some people from the crowd on the street hit the car on the boot a few times and a cigarette butt was thrown at the front of it. A large number of people from the general public were shouting loudly at the time. Some people were shouting filth.
222. Nazim, Fayaz and Riyaz went into the President's Office ahead of the car in which the President was travelling. Following behind the car were the President's SPG, Chief of Defence Force and Military Operations Commander.
223. When the car arrived at the President's Office, the President went up the lift designated for him. With him were the Defence Minister, Security Co-ordinator and bodyguard.
224. Before getting into the lift, President Nasheed instructed a member of staff to show Nazim, Fayaz and Abdulla Riyaz to a comfortable place.
225. Off the lift, the President went to his room (Utheemu Room). He was alone.
226. He then went to Siththimaavaa Maalam to meet with the cabinet. Normally, cabinet meetings are held at Izzuddheen Maalam.
227. Minister of Fisheries and Agriculture, Minister of Education, Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture, Minister of Human Resources, Youth and Sports, Minister of Economic Development, Minister of Home Affairs, Minister of Defence and National Security, Minister of Finance, Minister of Transport and Communication, Special Envoy to the President, Chief of Staff at the President's Office, and Cabinet Secretary were in attendance.
228. At the meeting the President said he had to resign and gave his reasons. He said under the circumstances he saw it best to resign.
229. 230.A Minister disagreed. Another suggested that he negotiates with the people gathered. And another proposed seeking external assistance. President Nasheed indicated that he did not see negotiations were possible given the situation at Republic Square, and said there was nothing else to do except resign.
230. Having concluded the cabinet meeting, en route to Dharumavantha Maalam where the press conference was to be held, President Nasheed stopped at Ghaazee Maalam. The Cabinet Secretary and Chief of Staff accompanied him.
231. While he was at the Ghaazee Maalam, Nazim, Fayaz and Riyaz also came in.
232. Nazim told President Nasheed that Speaker of Parliament Abdulla Shahid had enquired after the resignation letter President Nasheed was sending to the Majlis.
233. President Nasheed asked the Cabinet Secretary about the resignation letter who replied that it had not yet been prepared. The president asked him to bring a pen and paper. When the President's official Letterhead paper and a pen were brought, President