



SCENE Kuredu Island

## Brit woman dies while snorkelling

BY LOUIE SMITH

A BRITISH woman has drowned while snorkelling in the Maldives.

The woman, aged 69, died on Sunday during a holiday to the tropical island of Kuredu.

Chief Insp Izmia Zahir, of the Maldives Police Service, said: "We received reports of a female tourist from the United Kingdom drowning."

Police attended the hospital and found that the woman was a 69-year-old British woman who had been staying at Kuredu Island Resort.

At least six holidaymakers have already drowned so far this year in the Maldives where swimmers are warned to beware of strong currents.

A spokesman for Kuredu Island Resort and Spa said it would be inappropriate to comment at this time.

## WIN £500! Mirror DAY-2-DAY PUZZLE

- From Monday to Saturday answer the questions below.
- At the end of the week rearrange the first letter of each answer to find the prize answer, which you can enter into our £500 draw.
- This week the prize answer is a **DANCER**.
- Entry details in Saturday's Day-2-Day Puzzle.

**QUESTION 7** – Flatley, dancing duo who made a comeback on Britain's Got Talent: The Champions in 2019.

ANSWER:

**QUESTION 8** – Phillips, English choreographer extraordinaire.

ANSWER:

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### ACTOR DIGS IN

Richard Gere plants a tree near Warsaw



TREEMENDOUS Gere with supporters at the Buddhist centre

AT HOME  
Ven Namdak & Osel Hita in London

## Richard Gere backs our trees campaign

### EXCLUSIVE

By **NADA FARHOU** Environment Editor and **MICHELLE KLEPPER**

**RICHARD GERE** urged Mirror readers to join him in planting trees around the world to fight climate change.

The Hollywood A-lister warned how the environment crisis will be more "catastrophic than any war or disaster ever known".

The An Officer and a Gentleman star told how action has never been needed more "in the urgent quest to limit carbon emissions".

Planting a tree for us in Grabnik, outside Warsaw, Poland, the 70-year-old actor said: "I am so delighted to plant a beautiful tree here at the Benchen Karma Kamtsang Buddhist Centre. Together with our friends here we wholeheartedly support the Mirror's campaign for everyone to do the same in communities across Britain and the world."

Richard, who is chair of the International Campaign for Tibet, added: "We are all interdependent, and dependent upon this planet, our home. The Dalai Lama's home, Tibet – the roof of the world

– is warming nearly three times as fast as the rest of the earth.

"This matters to all of us. Tibet has the biggest reserves of freshwater outside the Arctic and Antarctic, and is the source of

most of Asia's major rivers. Its changing climate affects not only the monsoon in Asia but weather patterns in Europe and the rest of the Northern Hemisphere.

"Tibet may be the canary in the coal mine."

As we reported yesterday, the Dalai Lama has praised the Mirror's campaign, saying planting trees is one thing people can do in a bid to avert climate disaster. Lama Rinchen, who heads up the Buddhist Centre in Grabnik, added: "The Mirror campaign has inspired us here to plant more trees."

This week, monk Geshe Tenzin Namdak and teacher Tenzin Osel Hita planted trees at Jamyang Buddhist Centre, South London.

Today marks the start of our fundraising with Trillion Trees, a joint venture of the world's largest conservation charities – WWF, BirdLife International and Wildlife Conservation Society who are fighting deforestation.

Stuart Dainton, WWF UK, Head of Trillion Trees, said: "The Mirror and its readers' support is key to restoring trees and forests."

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## Help us to fight climate change

THE Daily Mirror has launched a campaign to fight climate change and protect the habitats of thousands of species that rely on woods and forests.

Please back our Million Mirror Trees call, with all the money going towards projects we are working with in partnership with Trillion Trees.

£3 will help plant a tree in Peru, Madagascar or Tanzania and £10 will help plant one in Africa and one in the Amazon.

Text **TREE** to **70123** to give £3 or **TREES** to **70607** to give £10. Or send a cheque payable to 'Reach PLC' to: **Million Mirror Trees Campaign, Daily Mirror, 1 Canada Sq, London E14 5AP.**



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