SEZAD's Presentation Before PM of Tanzania

Muscat, Oct. 28

The Special Economic Zone Authority in Duqm (SEZAD) today gave a presentation before Mizengo Kayanza Peter Pinda, Prime Minister of the United Republic of Tanzania. The presentation reviewed the investment opportunities available in the Zone and the projects that are being implemented at the present time, as well as the incentives and privileges provided by SEZAD for investors.

Yahya bin Said al- Jabri, Chairman of SEZAD confirmed in a statement to Oman News Agency (ONA) that the presentation introduced the economic zone and the vision of His Majesty Sultan Qaboos Bin Said to this region.

He added that the presentation highlighted the good relations between the Sultanate and Tanzania,



pointing out that the two countries are working on the development of these relations to serve the interests of the two peoples.

SEZAD Chairman in the

presentation addressed the cooperation between the ports of the Sultanate in general and Duqm Port in particular, in addition to the Tanzanian ports, explaining that the Duqm

Port can serve parts of Asia, as well as by virtue of its location can be an important strategic position from which cargo can reach East Africa.

Saleh bin Hamoud al-Hassani, Director of One Stop Station at SEZAD provided a presentation about the Zone, the advantages of the geographic location, the incentives and facilities provided by SEZAD for investors. He also addressed the concept of one-stop station and the powers available to SEZAD with respect to the subject of business completion, in addition to the projects, bidding and the investment opportunities offered SEZAD.

The presentation also discussed the total private sector participation, whether international or local, in some independent projects in the Zone.

SEZAD Chairman Receives Tanzanian National Assembly Speaker



Muscat, Oct. 23

Yahya bin Said bin Abdullah al-Jabri, Chairman of the Special Economic Zone Authority of Duqm (SEZAD) received today Anne Makinda, Speaker of the National Assembly of the United Republic of Tanzania and her accompanying delegation.

The meeting discussed

the possible aspects of cooperation between the Sultanate and Tanzania. SEZAD Chairman explained to the guest the investment opportunities of the special economic zone of Duqm, in addition to the competitive features of the Zone and facilities offered by the SEZAD.

On her turn, the guest expressed her admiration

with the achievements of the Sultanate during the era of modern renaissance, praising the Sultanate trends to diversify sources of national income through establishing the economic zone of Duqm, modern ports network and free zones, in addition to caring for the SMEs and tourism, agriculture and fisheries sector.

The Emergency Management Committee at Duqm follows up on "Cyclone Nilofar"

Duqm – 28 Oct. 2014

The Emergency Management Committee at Duqm headed by H.E. Mohsen Bin Hamad Al Maskari Wali of Duqm held on Tuesday (28 October 2014) a meeting to discuss the preventative measures needed to face the atmospheric phenomenon at the Arabian Sea (Cyclone Nilofar).

The attendees of the meeting included representatives from related civil and military governmental institutions and representatives from companies operating at Dugm.

Within the Local Community Development Committee program

Inauguration the English Language Teaching Program at Duqm

Duqm - (27th of Oct.)

The Local Community Development Committee at Duqm inaugurates today (Monday 27 October 2014) the English Language Teaching Program, which it implements for school students and employees working at Duqm and being carried out in cooperation with the Ministry of Education, Oman Drydock Company and Occidental Petroleum Corporation.

The morning sessions of the program target around (140) students in the eleventh and twelfth grade in the Arabian Sea School and Duqm Primary Education School. The program includes in its evening session about (80) employees who work in Duqm. Ismail bin Ahmed Al-Balushi, the Deputy CEO at SEZAD and the Chairman

Ismail bin Ahmed Al-Balushi, the Deputy CEO at SEZAD and the Chairman of the Local Community Development Committee, said that the program which, will last for (6) weeks, aims to develop the Skills of school students in learning the English Language and it was designed in order to aid students in raising their academic achievements, especially that the program is carried out by teachers who are native English speakers and have solid experience in this field. In addition, the program targets employees working in Duqm that expressed their interests to learn the English Language and to enhance their lingual abilities.

Al-Balushi added in a press release that the Local Community Development Committee endeavors through this program to keep pace with the needs of students and employees working in Dugm concerning learning the English language. As there are, in the meantime, no institutes to teach the English Language in Wilayat





Duqm, the committee sought in cooperation with Occidental Petroleum Corporation and Polyglot to implement this program that was designed to meet the needs of students and employees at SEZAD.

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He pointed out that the English Language Teaching Program is one of the programs embraced by the committee within an array of similar programs, indicating that the committee will evaluate in the coming period the outcome of the program to expand it to include bigger numbers in the future.

Duqm Hosts the International Scouts Jamboree on The Internet (JOTI) and the Jamboree on The Air (JOTA)

Duqm - 18 October 2014

Wilayat Duqm in Al-Wusta Governorate hosted on 18 & 19 Oct 2014 the events of the 57th International Scouts Jamboree on The Air (JOTA) and the 17th Jamboree on The Internet (JOTI), as the Sultanate participated represented by the Directorate General for Scouts and Guides along with around a million and a half scouts and guides from around the world in the biggest two global Jamborees on the internet and on the air.

The events were carried out under the auspices of H.E.Slam bin Sqat Al Junaibi Member of the Shura Council representative of Duqm. The first communication via the two main radio communication channels commenced at 4:00 a.m. Saturday (18 Oct) and continued for 48 uninterrupted hours.

The two international jamborees (JOTI & JOTA) aim to develop bonds of friendship among scouts and guides around the world, to develop their interests in the field of communications technology, to provide opportunities to them to exchange experiences in the field of scouting and guiding, in addition to ensuring the principles of peaceful cohabitation and tolerance among the youth of the world and to qualify an elite of male and female scouts and guides leaders in all the governorates of the Sultanate of Oman to master the ways and techniques of radio and internet communications.

Al Harthy: The Schedule for Port of Duqm Project is Going as Planned

Muscat – 16 October 2014

H.E. Said bin Hamdoon Al Harthy Undersecretary of the Ministry of Transport and Communications for Ports and Maritime Affairs confirmed that the timetable for Port of Duqm Project is going as planned despite the challenges that the project faces.

This came during a meeting at "Grand Hyatt Hotel" organized by Port of Dugm Company to meet with marine shipping and logistics companies operating in the Sultanate.

H.E. explained that the Port is now going through the phase of infrastructure

development and that 4 km of runway were opened at the airport. H.E. added that there are upcoming projects and he confirmed that this meeting would serve to present a general idea about the projects that will be taken advantage of at the port.

On his part, Eng. / Hashim bin Tahir Al Ibrahim Deputy General Manager — Commercial at Port of Duqm confirmed that this meeting comes within the efforts of the company to hold specialized meetings with different related authorities to explore true partnerships with different active sectors.

This meeting comes to shed light on introducing the latest news that have come up regarding the services that the port offers, to introduce the plans and programs of the port of the upcoming year 2015, the growing potential of the port and to listen to the views and suggestions of shipping companies in all fields to develop services and operating efficiency.









Land usufruct agreement signed by SEZAD with private sector

Polymer plant, industrial gas facilities, warehouses, shopping and bowling centers on the pipeline







Muscat, (Oct. 27)

H.E Yahya bin Said bin Abdullah al Jabri, Chairman of the Public Authority of the Special Economic Zone Authority in Duqm (SEZAD) has signed today 9 land usufruct agreements for new projects at SEZD. The new projects, worth of about RO43 million.

The first agreement was signed with the Rural Areas Electricity Company for setting up a project for electricity transmission and distribution at a number of SEZD sites. The agreement aims at providing power to the projects that will be set up at SEZD and meet the growing demand for power in Duqm in the coming years.

The second agreement, with Polymer Experts Company, for the construction of polymer production plant at the Heavy Industries Complex. Polymer is a raw material for many industries such as adhesive and construction materials, paper, fabrics, fibers, ceramics and others.

The third agreement with Muscat Gases Company is related to the construction of utilities for the production and storage of industrial gases. The



project aims at meeting the growing demand for industrial gases and avail them for owners of properties and plants. The company operates in a number of fields such as liquid gas filling, manufacturing and exporting of industrial gases and cooking gas.

The fourth agreement was signed with Ramiz Shopping Center for setting up a commercial center and hypermarket that aims at meeting the needs of residents for foodstuff and consumable goods. The Center will stretch over 22,000 square meters. The project is part of the expansion plan by the Center after the growth it has witnessed in a number of governorates in the Sultanate.

The fifth agreement was signed with Oman Sport and Real Estate Investment Center and is related to the construction of a bowling center and providing recreational and entertainment services.

The sixth agreement signed with Amit Warehouses and Logistic Services is related to setting up a number of warehouses for foodstuff as well as exported and imported items.

The seventh agreement with Muscat Pharmacy is related to setting up 10 stores to meet the needs of SEZD for medicines and medical supplies.

The eighth agreement with al Nabaa Holding Company set up to construction of workshops, stores, buildings, office and business spaces over about 24,000 square meters.

The ninth agreement with Khimji Company is related to the construction of a commercial mall that include a number of international brands.

As per the agreements terms, SEZAD will provide these companies with usufruct rights for the lands on which the

projects will be set up.

H.E Yahya bin Said bin Abdullah al Jabri, Chairman of SEZAD said that the agreements reflect the confidence of the private sectors and investors in the prospects of Duqm. He hailed the efforts done by SEZAD over the past period to promote the available investment opportunities in the Zone.

"The new projects will be a valuable addition to the Zone which has become an eyespot for many local and foreign investors, al Jabri said in a statement to reporters after signing the agreements.

He pointed out that the diversity in projects is an evidence of the great prospects of the Zone and its ability to attract different investment. At the same time, these investments meet the growing needs from the Zone as well as from the residents.

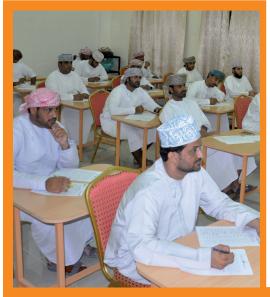
Al Jabri thanked the companies for selecting Duqm as the host of their projects and affirmed that the Authority will provide them with the facilities they may need to turn their projects into reality as per the terms of the usufruct agreements signed with them and as per the Zone system issued by the Royal Decree No 79/2013.













Students and employees benefiting from the English Language Program at Duqm



