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Message from the Administrator

We are establishing Pakistan's first sustainable city – a city designed with thoughtfulness of ecological impact. Development in this state-of-the-art city is in full swing, as the committed team of top consultants and engineers from all around the world is working with proficiency and passion to ensure prompt development of the project. As the project is now in the execution phase, the team engaged in this venture is efficiently working hard day and night to make this project a livable entity by 2015 - 16. Being the first planned, sustainable and green city of Pakistan, the DCK project has been designed to use environment-friendly utilities, such as renewable energy, including solar and wind energy farms, which will reduce the heavy load on our natural power resources. There is also an abundance of underground water of high quality to meet DCK's water requirements. DCK is going to be the first Smart City of Pakistan. It is envisioned to have modern residential localities with integrated physical and digital infrastructures having optimal services in reliable, cost-effective and sustainable manner.

I appreciate the devotion and dedication of my team and I know that without them this dream would not have materialized as beautifully as it has. I wish a bright and successful future to all the perspective residents of this new city. I have utter faith that you will experience a grand lifestyle and be very pleased to have built your dream home in DCK.



Visit of Commander 5 Corps

Commander 5 Corps and President Executive Board DHA Lt. Gen. Sajjad Ghani HI(M) visited the DHA City Karachi (DCK) project site on January 30. Administrator DHA Brig. Muhammad Abdullah was also present on the occasion. Administrator DHA Brig. Muhammad Abdullah briefed Commander 5 Corps about the salient features of the project and the ongoing infrastructure development work.

Corps Commander visited various sectors of the project, where Project Director DCK, Brig. Muhammad Rafique briefed him about the details of the ongoing development work at each site. He said that the development projects initiated under the Immediate Action Plan are near completion, while the infrastructure development work, including major road works, has been started in different sectors to make DCK livable by 2015-16.

While briefing Corps Commander, Project Director, further said that renowned contractors, including FWO and NLC, were executing the development projects with professional excellence at an accelerated pace to develop the area as per the stipulated schedule of the development strategy. Project Consultant, Engineer Arif Osmani also briefed Corps Commander about the project.

President Executive Board (PEB) emphasized on ensuring all out measures for simultaneous speedy completion of the infrastructure work in different sectors. He also vouched for the best quality of work at each stage of the project. Corps Commander appreciated DHA and DCK for executing the project with such enthusiasm and professional dedication, which was essential for the success of this mega project.



Commander 5 Corps being received by the Administrator DHA and Project Director DCK



Mr. Arif Osmani, Director OCL briefing Commander 5 Corps about the project



A view of the Commander 5 Corps visit to the site



DCK Site Visits

Administrator's Visit

Administrator DHA Brig. Muhammad Abdullah visited DHA City Site on September 9, 2013. The Administrator DHA was received by the Project Director Brig. (Retd.) Muhammad Rafique and other officers of DHA City. He was briefed upon the status of the on-going projects at DHA City and he was very pleased with the progress.



Administrator DHA being briefed by the Project Director at the site



Media Personnel Visit

A group of journalists/media personnel visited DHA City Karachi (DCK) on November 30, 2013. They were briefed upon the two wind masts that have been installed at DCK for recording the wind data to be utilized for generation of renewable wind energy and the planning for development of solar energy and independent power generation is also afoot, which will make DCK self-sufficient in energy requirement. They were also told about the abundance of underground high quality water to meet DCK's water requirements and that a number of wells have already been dug successfully.



Project Director DCK briefing the media about developments at DCK

Defence & Clifton Real Estate Association' Visit

Defence & Clifton Real Estate Association (DCREA) visited the site of DHA City on November 30, 2013. The response was overwhelming. The Project Director DCK gave them a detailed overview of the project at and the DCREA was astonished by the progress. They were taken around to experience the progressive development work first hand. The evening ended with a high tea at the Auditorium.



The members of Defence & Clifton Real Estate Association at the site

Danish Ambassador's Visit

His Excellency Jesper Moller Sorensen, Danish Ambassador to Pakistan visited DHA City Karachi on 18 February 2014. He was received by the Project Director DCK Brig. (R) Muhammad Rafique, along with a significant number of DHA officers, engineers and consultants.

Engineer Arif Osmani briefed the Ambassador in detail about the ongoing development works at DCK site. They threw light upon the significant milestones DCK had achieved within the preset timelines and told the ambassador that every effort was being made to make DCK a liveable entity by 2015-16. His Excellency Jesper Moller Sorensen, Danish Ambassador to Pakistan showed great interest in the on-site development activities and appreciated the DHA City Management for launching the state-of-the art city in Pakistan. Expressing his views, His Excellency said that DHA City Karachi has all the potential to attract international investors.



Danish Ambassador Mr. Jesper Moller Sorensen being briefed about DCK



DHA Officers' Visit

DHA Management team visited the site of DHA City on November 2, 2013. The Project Director DHA City Brig (Retd.) Muhammad Rafique, while addressing the officers, revealed that the project was being evaluated at Harvard University USA for inclusion in the international sustainability rating calendar, which will lure in international investors and organizations ensuring a tremendous boost to the speedy development of the project. They were taken for a detailed visit at the site.

Cricket Stars' Visit



Cricket Legends Moin Khan and Boom Boom Shahid Afridi with the Project Director and Director DCK

Development Works in a Glimpse

A total of 11 projects are under Immediate Action Development Plan comprising of Visitor's Center, Directorate Office, Central Facility Building, Single Officer's Accommodation, Officer's Apartments, Staff Accommodation, Entrance Gate and Access Road, Watch Towers, Boundary Wall and Campsite External Works are near completion.



Newly completed DHA City Office Building



A view of near completion 'Visitor Centre'



Central Facility Building



A view of the Main Entrance Gate



Another view of fast pace development work



A pictorial view of the DHA City



Aerial view of the newly completed projects



Carpeting of the roads is in full swing



Various views of structures under construction



Views of nurseries for future plantation



In-door view of the Directorate Office



Work under Short Term Development Plan commenced in May - June 2012 and is expected to complete in 2018. Sector 3, 5, 6 and 7 will be developed under this plan. Short Term Development Plan comprises the following projects:

- Sector Development Works including road works, water supply network, sewerage network, storm water drainage network, hydraulic structures like culverts, guard room, ICT pipe sleeves, electricity pipe sleeves, gas pipe sleeves and landscaping.
- Major Water Works
- Major Sewerage Works
- Major Drainage Works
- Major Electricity/ICT/Gas Works
- Major Housing Works

Harvard Case Study for Sustainability

The DCK project is being evaluated at Harvard University USA for inclusion in the international rating calendar, which will lure in international investors and organizations and give a tremendous boost to the speedy development of this project. The enthusiasm and professional dedication with which the development work in the area is in progress, suggests that DCK would soon emerge as the best and the biggest residential area of the region.

A holistic plan for sustainable energy is being developed, emphasizing on energy conservation along with renewable energy generation at both macro and micro levels. Renewable energy sources including solar, wind, bio mass, besides waste of energy shall play a key role in the energy strategy of DHA City Karachi.



Solar energy panel

DHA and PTCL Sign ICT Contract

Defence Housing Authority (DHA) signed a contract with Pakistan Telecommunication Company Ltd. (PTCL) on November 28, 2013, for the initiation of Information Communication Technology (ICT) works for making DHA City Karachi (DCK) the first-ever 'Smart City' of the country.

The project developers will focus on power generation and aim for consumption of at least 30 percent renewable energy. PTCL president and CEO Waleed Irshad said that the road map of the ICT was based on optical fiber and that DHA City will have all modern communication and information facilities.



ICT Contract Signing Ceremony

Daily Bus Shuttle Service

DHA is pleased to announce the commencement of shuttle bus service for DCK site on the Super Highway to facilitate the plot owners and the general public to visit and explore the ongoing development works at the site.

The shuttle bus operates from Monday to Thursday as per the following timing (except closed holidays):

- Departure from DHA Head Office - 1130 Hrs
- Departure from DHA City - 1330 Hrs



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With six decades of confidence built through your trust, DHA Karachi brings you **DHA CITY KARACHI**.

Living up to the standards of developed cities worldwide, with construction taking place under the supervision of world renowned experts, **DHA CITY Karachi** is powering its way towards completion. A city with a state-of-the-art lifestyle and self-sustaining basic amenities. Speedy development work is in progress.

Features

- | Area is 2.5 times more than the existing DHA
- | Walled city; 3 level security system
- | Pakistan's first SMART CITY with most modern communication network
- | A network of schools, colleges and universities of international standards
- | World class sports and recreational facilities
- | Pakistan's biggest Medical City Complex



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To review the progress of development work plot owners are welcome to visit DHA City