

Duqm Port to have special berth for govt agencies

FOURTH PACKAGE: The 980-metre-long facility costing around RO 55.4 million will be completed in 30 months



MUSCAT: The Special Economic Zone Authority in Duqm (SEZAD) on Wednesday signed a contract with Kuwait-based Combined Group Contracting (CGC) Company (SAKC) for the implementation of the fourth package of Duqm Port, related to the infrastructure of the government berth, at a cost of RO 55.4 million.

The contract was signed by Yahya bin Said bin Abdullah al Jabri, Chairman of SEZAD, and Abdul Rahman Moosa al Ma'arouf, Chairman of CGC.

The 980-metre-long government berth, which will be completed in 30 months, is the first integrated berth to be implemented in the Omani ports to meet the needs of a number of public organisations and ferry boats. The governmental berth is the most important security facility at Duqm Port as it will ensure readiness for the management of the logistic operations and the security of the port and the

whole area.

The new project, the fourth package of Duqm Port, includes the construction of building, roads, facilities and services required to operate the governmental berth.

The project will also include a number of buildings for public organisations, staff accommodation, office spaces, logistic services areas, passenger terminal for ferry boats and other facilities, such as waiting areas, warehouses and public services buildings.

Expansion of Renaissance City

Meanwhile, The SEZAD also signed two other agreements with Renaissance Services SAOG the first of which on granting the company concession rights to expand Renaissance Village by an additional 71,805 square meters. The second agreement is related to granting the company the usufruct right to build a recreational club over 10,000 square

meters.

The two agreements were signed by Al Jabri and Stephen R Thomas, CEO of Renaissance Services.

The aim behind Renaissance Services SAOG's expansion is to keep pace with the population and business growth in the area. The project includes a number of rooms, restaurants and other services.

The company will invest RO 8 million in the two projects including RO 5 million for the expansion project which will be completed between two to three years. The project will create 100 fresh jobs. Renaissance Village, which will be completed this year will accommodate more than 16,000 beds.

Renaissance Services SAOG will invest RO 3 million at the recreational club which will provide 40 fresh job. The club will include restaurants, open courts, swimming pools and other services.