DHABEJI
SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE
A PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP

Investment Department
Government of Sindh

POST SHOW REPORT

Groundbreaking Ceremony
15th July 2023

SUMMARY

Dhabeji Special Economic Zone (DSEZ), a flagship project under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), was inaugurated by Chairman of the Pakistan People's Party (PPP) and Foreign Minister, His Excellency Bilawal Bhutto Zardari on Saturday, 15th July 2023.

Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah, Information and Transport Minister Sharjeel Inam Memon, Minister for Local Government Syed Nasir Hussain Shah, Sindh Cabinet Members Gianchand Essrani, and Sajid Jokhio, Mayor Karachi Murtaza Wahab, Special Assistant to Chief Minister Sindh for Investment and Public Private Partnership Syed Qasim Naveed Qamar, MPA Ali Hassan Zardari, ZKBDMC Chairman Mr. Muhabat Khan, diplomats, senior government officials, business community representatives and dignitaries were also present.

Foreign Minister of Pakistan, His Excellency Bilawal Bhutto Zardari emphasized that PPP is a party of action, proving its dedication to industrial development and progress. With a significant investment of over $5 billion, DSEZ is set to create more than 150,000 employment opportunities, aiming to eradicate poverty and unemployment in the region.

Besides reaffirming their commitment to fostering economic growth and prosperity in the region through DSEZ, the features of DSEZ such as close proximity to the main airport and two ports were also underlined to play a pivotal role in the economic development of the region and attract both local and international businesses. The ceremony showcased the commitment and collaboration between public and private stakeholders in driving economic growth and prosperity.

WELCOME ADDRESS BY

Mr. Qassim Naveed Qamar

Special Assistant to Chief Minister Sindh for Investment & Public-Private Partnership Projects

"DSEZ is being developed with an estimated cost of Rs.24 billion over an area of 1530 acres of land. The project has distinctive features like proximity to sea port, major highways and main railway line and availability of cheaper labor as well as utilities like electricity, natural gas and water. Its comprehensive development plan, state-of-the-art infrastructure, and favorable business environment make it a promising destination for various industries, contributing significantly to regional economic growth."

ADDRESS BY

Mr. Muhabbat Khan

Chairman, Zahir Khan Brothers Development Management Company

“It is a unique project owing to its geographical location as ports, airport, highways and main railway line are at a short distance from it. I hope that the project would play a pivotal role in stabilizing the national economy.”

PROJECT BRIEFING BY

Mr. Abdul Azeem Uqaili

CEO, Sindh Economic Zone Management Company

“Dhabeji Special Economic Zone holds strategic importance due to its proximity to Jinnah International Airport (30 km) and direct road access (8 km) to Port Qasim, providing seamless connectivity. Additionally, a creek-side jetty will link DSEZ to Port Qasim, further enhancing accessibility. Positioned as a hub for export-oriented industries, DSEZ's nationwide connectivity through NH-5 and connection to the CPEC route via ML-1, presents a competitive advantage in the global market.”

KEYNOTE ADDRESS BY

Mr. Murad Ali Shah

Chief Minister Sindh

> “The Dhabeji SEZ offers a strategic location, meticulously planned infrastructure, and supportive policies that provide an unparalleled platform for businesses to flourish. This SEZ presents an avenue for transformative projects that will have a lasting impact on the lives of our citizens. I extend a warm welcome to investments in various sectors, ranging from physical infrastructure and the social sector to clean energy and water management.”

ADDRESS BY THE CHIEF GUEST

His Excellency Bilawal Bhutto Zardari

Foreign Minister of Pakistan

"Dhabeji Special Economic Zone will create more than 150,000 employment opportunities and help eradicate poverty and unemployment. It presents lucrative investment opportunities in sectors like infrastructure, social development, clean energy, and water. The Pakistan Peoples Party is committed to bringing about social development and economic prosperity, and the Dhabeji Special Economic Zone (SEZ) stands as a testament to our dedication to that goal. I invite all the investors, industrialists, and traders to explore the Dhabeji SEZ, a thriving hub that is brimmed with untapped investment opportunities."

500+ ATTENDEES:

TRADE BODIES

INVESTORS

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

MEDIA COVERAGE

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PRESS COVERAGE

وزیر خارجہ بلاول بھٹو دھابیجی اسپیشل اکنامک زون کا سنگ بنیاد رکھنے کے بعد دعا مانگ رہے ہیں۔ وزیر اعلیٰ سید مراد علی شاہ بھی موجود ہیں

ترقی کے نئے باب کا آغاز، دھابیجی اکنامک زون کا افتتاح

بیل نے کہا سندھ میں بھی موجود تھے۔ زرداری نے نئی بیک کی بنیاد رکھی۔ ہمارے پبلک پارٹنر شپ منصوبوں کیخلاف پروپیگنڈا ناکام ہو گیا، وزیر

قرض ایپ کیس میں گرفتار 9 ملزمان کا جسمانی ریمانڈ

ایف آئی اے سائبر کرائم سیل کے حوالے۔ لون کمپنیوں کے مزید متاثرین سامنے آگئے

بغیر اجازت ہمارا فون ڈیٹا نکلوانا خلاف آئین ہے

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EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

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PLAQUE UNVEILING CEREMONY

The Foreign Minister of Pakistan Bilawal Bhutto Zardari and Chief Minister Sindh Mr. Murad Ali Shah unveiled the commemorative plaque for DSEZ and performed a dua to mark the auspicious occasion.

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GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

The groundbreaking ceremony witnessed the presence of distinguished personalities, including the Foreign Minister of Pakistan, Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari, Chief Minister Sindh, Mr. Murad Ali Shah, Chairman of Zahir Khan Brothers Development Management Company, Mr. Muhabbat Khan, Special Assistant to Chief Minister Sindh, Mr. Qassim Naveed Qamar, and the Chinese Consulate General. Together, they marked the significant occasion and symbolically commenced the development of the project.

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BUSINESS NETWORKING

After the ceremony, the event's host, along with all the dignitaries present, actively engaged with a diverse group of stakeholders. They participated in productive networking sessions with cabinet ministers, senior executives from the Investment department of the Government of Sindh, investors, diplomats, and members of the Pakistani business community. This networking session proved instrumental in facilitating valuable interactions and discussions, further fortifying collaborative efforts aimed at fostering economic growth and development in the region.

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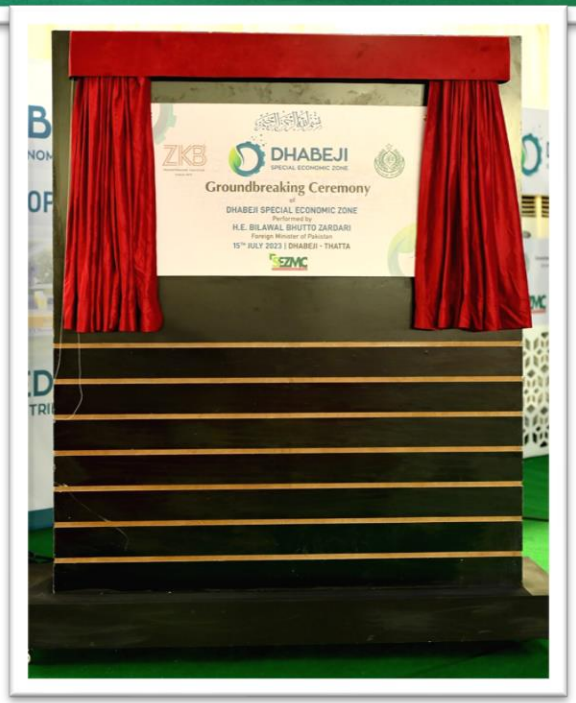

THE CEREMONY

VENUE:

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