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The following information was provided by Kanoo Shipping, Oman.

Duqm Port in the Al Wusta Region currently under construction is one of the strategic projects being implemented by the Sultanate's government to boost the national economy and revive the economic and industrial activities not only locally but also regionally.

The port is characterized by its strategic location, as it overlooks the Arabian Sea and not far from the international shipping lines that link the East with the West and the regional shipping lines that link the GCC countries and the Indian Ocean Rim countries and the Indian Ocean Rim countries with international shipping lines.

In addition, the port will serve the shipping lines between Oman's ports, support cargo movement, industrial and tourism activities as it lies almost midway between Port Sultan Qaboos and Port of Salalah.

The availability of a dry dock adds to the significance of the port as it will be capable of handling giant vessels with a capacity of 400,000 tonnes, in addition to giant vessels whose capacity touches 600,000 tonnes. It will also render repair and maintenance services to the vessels.

Operations at the port are expected to be completed towards the second half of 2012, while the dry dock will be expected to be completed in December 2010.

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