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Minister for Maritime Affairs Muhammad Junaid Anwar's Visited KPT

The Federal Minister for Maritime Affairs, Muhammad Junaid Anwar, conducted a significant visit to Karachi Port Trust (KPT) and its associated facilities on 24th March, 2025. The minister's visit began with a solemn tribute at the Quaid-e-Azam's Mausoleum, where he laid a wreath to honor the founding father of the nation, accompanied by senior management officials from KPT and other departments of the Ministry.

Following this respectful homage, the Minister proceeded to the KPT Head Office, where he was warmly welcomed by Chairman KPT Rear Admiral Habib-ur-Rehman, alongside senior management officials of KPT. A briefing on KPT's strategic operations and ongoing initiatives was given to the Minister during the occasion.

Continuing his engagement, The Federal Minister for Maritime Junaid Anwar held discussions with the KPT Board of Trustees, emphasizing the importance of collaborative efforts in enhancing port operations and services.









He also interacted with representatives from various trade unions of KPT and KDLB, acknowledging their vital role in supporting the port's workforce and in improving working conditions. During the occasion, he also gave approval to release bonuses to KPT employees and performed plantation in the KPT Head Office.

The visit culminated with a tour of the port area, where the Minister Junaid Anwar received a further briefing from terminal operators with regard to their operations and future projects. His keen interest in the terminal operations reflected his commitment to optimizing maritime activities and ensuring the overall growth of the port.

This visit established a framework for ongoing dialogue and cooperation between the Ministry of Maritime Affairs and KPT, reinforcing their shared commitment to the development of Pakistan's maritime sector.

KPT Partners with Karachi Shipyard for Obtaining Mooring Boats

In alignment with the directives of the honourable Prime Minister of Pakistan, Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif, Karachi Port Trust signed a contract agreement with Karachi Shipyard & Engineering Works on 7th March 2025 for the construction and supply of two new mooring boats.



The agreement was signed by Chairman KPT Rear Admiral Habib-ur-Rehman HI(M) and Managing Director KSEW Rear Admiral Salman Ilyas HI(M). The addition of these mooring boats will significantly enhance KPT's operational capabilities, facilitating berthing and unberthing processes, preventing vessel collisions, towing and escorting, line handling, and supporting cargo operations. Additionally, they will play a crucial role in spill response and waste management efforts.



Karachi Port is Set to Benefit from Dedicated Freight Corridor and Multi-Modal Logistics Park



Karachi Port is poised to gain significant advantages from the upcoming Dedicated Freight Corridor and Multi-Modal Logistics Park in Pipri. The initiative will transit freight transport from roads to railways, resulting in reduced traffic congestion, lower pollution levels, and minimized road damages.

The project is expected to enhance business opportunities, thereby boosting the city's economy and the daily lives of residents. This effort represents a substantial step towards promoting a cleaner, smoother, and more sustainable Karachi, ultimately benefiting the entire community.

Inauguration of Standby Generators at KPT Head Office

Rear Admiral Habib-ur-Rehman HI(M), Chairman KPT inaugurated the commissioning of two 650 KVA standby generators at the KPT Head Office on 3rd February 2025. It marks a significant modernization of KPT's power infrastructure, with an aim to ensure an uninterrupted energy supply that enhances operational efficiency round the clock.

During the inauguration, the chief guest, Chairman KPT Rear Admiral Habib-ur-Rehman praised the dedication of the engineering team for putting in unwavering commitment and hard work to complete the project successfully. This development is a vital step toward realizing KPT's mission of providing excellent services.



KPT Inaugurates Solarization of KPT Secondary School, Keamari

Karachi Port Trust inaugurated the solarization of KPT Secondary School in Keamari on 18th February 2025, marking a significant advancement towards sustainability and energy efficiency. This project features a 20 KW on-grid solar system, equipped with a fuel saver designed to decrease the school's reliance on conventional electricity to promote renewable energy solutions. The installed solar panels, Jinko Solar 580-W N-type, adhere to the international standards, including IEC 61215, IEC 61730, ISO 9001, ISO 14001, and ISO 45001.

This initiative aligns with KPT's commitment to environmental responsibility and energy conservation.

Chairman KPT Rear Admiral Habib-ur-Rehman HI(M) attended the inauguration ceremony as the chief guest. In his address, he underscored the significance of renewable energy in minimizing carbon footprints and enhancing energy sustainability in public institutions.







Visit of National Assembly Standing Committee on Maritime Affairs

A meeting of the National Assembly Standing Committee on Maritime Affairs, chaired by Mr. Abdul Qadir Patel (MNA), was held at KPT Head Office on 6th February 2025. The meeting remained focused on several critical topics, including maritime issues, legal matters, anti-encroachment efforts, and matters related to estate and human resources.

The Federal Secretary of Ministry of Maritime Affairs, Director General (Ports and Shipping), KPT Board of Trustees, and all the General Managers have attended the meeting. The discussion provided an opportunity to elaborate on-going challenges and strategies and above all, reinforcing KPT's commitment towards effective governance and operational excellence.







Achievements of KPT's Terminal KGTL Commended

A customers get-together and prize distribution ceremony held on 17th February 2025, at the KGTL terminal in Karachi Port. Former Federal Minister for Maritime Affairs Mr. Qaiser Ahmed Sheikh, as a chief guest, while speaking during the occasion, recognized the achievements and development plans of Karachi Gateway Terminal Limited (KGTL).

The event gathered the key stakeholders, including the chairman KPT Rear Admiral Habib-ur-Rahman HI(M), and the KPT senior management to celebrate the KGTL achievements fostering stronger relationships within the maritime community. The then Minister emphasized the importance of continued innovation and development taking place in the maritime sector, highlighting KGTL's vital role in enhancing operational efficiency and customer satisfaction.

The gathering served as an excellent platform for networking and collaboration to support initiatives that drive growth and progress within the maritime industry.



Performance Review Meetings Presided Over by the Minister for Maritime Affairs

A series of performance review meetings have taken place at KPT and PNSC buildings, highlighting their respective commitment towards continuous improvement of the maritime sector.

The then Minister for Maritime Affairs chaired a meeting at KPT Head Office on 1st February 2025 to assess progress and achievements which was attended by Chairman KPT Rear Admiral Habib-ur-Rahman HI(M), KPT Board members, and other senior management officials. The purpose was to evaluate performance and identify challenges faced by KPT while focusing future directions and emphasizing cost-cutting measures.

The then minister chaired another meeting at the PNSC Building, where Chairman KPT Rear Admiral Habib-ur-Rehman HI(M) presented significant progress achieved by KPT. The discussions reinforced KPT's commitment towards operations as a vital maritime trade hub and thereby enhanced competitiveness.





KPT Strengthens Land Management and Anti-Encroachment Drive

In pursuance of the Prime Minister's Task Force Agenda to revamp the Pakistan Maritime Sector, KPT collaborated with key enforcement teams, including the Pakistan Rangers (Sindh) and the Sindh Police, to conduct joint Anti-Encroachment Operations. These operations were commenced on 21st January, 2025.

Over the course of these operations, a total of **95 acres** of encroached land have been successfully recovered in areas such as **Keamari, Sikandarabad, Younisabad, Machar Colony, Shireen Jinnah Colony, Sasti Basti, Manora**, etc. This collaborative effort has reclaimed valuable land and also has reinforced the commitment of KPT and law enforcement agencies towards protecting maritime resources and maintaining the integrity of public spaces.

KPT made significant progress in digitizing its land records, an initiative aimed at enhancing access, transparency, efficiency, and security. This digitization supports the ongoing anti-encroachment efforts and plays a crucial role in ensuring the long-term sustainability of Pakistan's coastal belt and maritime assets.

The concerted efforts demonstrate the effectiveness of joint task forces in combating illegal encroachment.













KPT Partners with PQA to Implement E-PAD Module for Procurement Transparency

KPT officials visited Port Qasim Authority (PQA) on 23rd January 2025 to foster collaboration on the implementation of the E-PADS (E-Pakistan Acquisition & Disposal System) module. The KPT team comprising representatives from the Operations, Engineering, Planning and Development, and Civil Works Divisions, were warmly received by the Director General Technical Rear Admiral Hussain Sial.

The E-PADS module is designed to enhance transparency in procurement processes, allowing suppliers to effectively register for goods, works, and services. It streamlines the entire procurement cycle, from planning to contract closure, promoting efficient and transparent practices that benefit all involved in the procurement process.

KPT stands committed to modernizing its operations while ensuring integrity in procurement activities.





KPT Port House Wins 2nd Prize at 74th Annual Flower Show

KPT Port House was awarded the 2nd Prize in the Official Large Bungalow category at the 74th Annual Flower Show Prize Distribution Ceremony, in a ceremony organized by the Horticultural Society of Pakistan on 20th February, 2025. KPT's General Manager of Civil Works, Mr. Hassan Arif Bilgrami, while representing Chairman KPT, has received the coveted award for KPT during this prestigious event. This recognition highlights KPT's commitment to promoting greenery and enhancing the aesthetics of its facilities.



OBITUARY



Major Mahmood Riaz, Manager Sports, KPT

With deep sorrow, we announce the passing of Major Mahmood Riaz, Manager Sports at Karachi Port Trust. His untimely departure has left a profound void. Mahmood Riaz was a cornerstone of dedication, leadership, and strength, making invaluable contributions to the success and growth of sports programs at KPT.



Muhammad Wakeel, Senior Clerk, Public Relations Department, KPT

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Senior Clerk Muhammad Wakeel from the Public Relations Department, KPT. Muhammad Wakeel was a dedicated and hardworking professional, serving with sincerity and commitment.

"The Newsletter team extends its condolences to their families, friends, and colleagues during this difficult time. May their souls rest in peace."

KPT Provides Financial Assistance to Officers and Employees

KPT provides financial help to its officers and employees in different forms like Marriage Advance, Car Advance, Motorcycle Advance, Cycle Advance, etc.

During this quarter, following advances were given to officers and employees.

Marriage Advance	12
Car Advance	06
Motorcycle Advance (Special)	07
Houset Renovation Advance	80
House Building Advance for officers	01

NEWS IN PICS





DG Coast Guards Major General Jawad Riaz called on chairman of KPT Rear Admiral Habib-ur-Rehman HI (M) at KPT Head Office to discuss avenues of mutual interest on 21st February 2025. The meeting concluded with an exchange of crests between the chairman of KPT and the DG Coast Guards.







The participants of the 42nd Mid-Career Management Course (NIPA-Quetta) visited KPT Head Office on 28th January 2025. The delegation was given a briefing with respect to the port operations, followed by Q&A session. The visit concluded with the exchange of crest between the KPT General Manager Operations Rear Admiral Ateeq-ur-Rehman Abid SI(M), and the Director General NIPA Quetta.





A 33 member 64th Senior Management Course delegation from WAPDA Administrative Staff College, Islamabad, visited the KPT Staff College, Lalazar, Karachi, on 18th February 2025 for an overview of port operations and port projects. Later, the delegation also visited the Archive Gallery at KPT Head Office to conclud the proceedings of the day.







They Year 2025 is welcomed by KPT with the Sadqa of a sacrificial cow and Dua performed for the success of KPT and Pakistan on 1st January 2025 in the presence of a gathering led by General Manager Administration Brigadier Muhammad Younis.



Karachi Port Trust is honored to facilitate the "Pray for Pakistan" event on 21st February 2025, organized by the Karachi Pastors Prayer Fellowship. A cruise was arranged during the occasion by KPT. The participants prayed for peace, harmony, unity, and prosperity for Pakistan which was led by Dr. Tanveer Bhatti. KPT remains committed to supporting such initiatives that foster unity and national harmony.

Corporate Social Responsibility

KPT Distributes Ramadan Packages





In a generous gesture of support during the holy month of Ramadan, Karachi Port Trust distributed Ramadan packages to around 600 daily wage employees and janitorial staff at the KPT Head Office on 10th March, 2025.

The distribution was officiated by Brig. Muhammad Younis, General Manager Administration. This initiative is a commitment of KPT towards corporate social responsibility that aims to uplift the welfare of its employees and their families during the blessed month.

Medical Camps





29th Free Medical Camp by KPT

To support residents of remote islands, KPT held its 29th free monthly medical camp today at Salehabad Island. KPT's medical and paramedical staff treated 425 patients, including 85 men, 150 women, and 190 children. Additionally, 58 residents benefited from the laboratory test facility as well.



A Solidarity Walk for Peace and Justice Organized by KPT Schools

KPT Schools observed Kashmir Day with a powerful Solidarity Walk, bringing together teachers, staff, and students. It highlighted a commitment to advocate for peace, justice, and rights of the Kashmiri people. Participants raised voices against oppression, chanting slogans for unity and freedom, and reaffirming support for Kashmir's rightful cause. The walk symbolized KPT's dedication in educating youth about humanity and solidarity while expressing hope for a peaceful resolution in the region.



KPT Celebrates the Excellent Performance of KPT Secondary School

Students of the KPT Secondary Schools Manora and Keamari have obtained exceptionally good results in the SSC Part-II final board examinations 2023-24 academic year in both the General and Science Group categories. A total of 60 students have secured A-1 and A Grades (22 A-1 Grades and 38 A Grades).

A ceremony was held on 18th February 2025, at the KPT Boys & Girls Secondary School Keamari to honour outstanding performances of students. Chairman KPT Rear Admiral Habib-ur-Rehman HI(M) presented awards, certificates, and cash prizes to the students during the occasion.

KPT Newsletter team congratulates all the students for showing excellent results and wish them to have more success in future.







Culture and Flower Day Celebrations

KPT Kindergarten School Manora celebrated **Cultural and Flower Days** on 10th and 20th February 2025.

Cultural Day featuring colourfully dressed parades, interactive games, and cultural music sessions with a mini food festival enjoyed by kids. Earlier, the students also celebrated Flower Day on 10th February 2025. The kids donned in floral outfits brought various flowers engaging creative activities during the occasion.



TRAINING & EDUCATION

Sardar Bahadur Khan Women University Students Visited KPT Staff College and Archive Gallery

A delegation of 55 students from Sardar Bahadur Khan Women University, Khuzdar, visited the KPT Staff College on 14th February 2025. Their visit aimed at providing students an overview of the historical significance of various sites, along with their cultural relationship with Sindh and Pakistan. Following the informative session, the students toured the Archive Gallery at the KPT Head Office to conclude their proceedings of the day.





KPT Organizes Seminar on World Cancer Day

The KPT Medical Department organized a seminar in observance of World Cancer Day at the Staff College on 27th February 2025. The event was attended by KPT officers, staff, and the cancer survivors treated by KPT Hospital. During the seminar, KPT oncologists Dr. Khalil and Dr. Sana provided valuable insights on the various types of cancers prevalent in Pakistan and the treatment options available. The chief guest, KPT GM Admin Brig. Muhammad Younis, honored the doctors and the cancer survivors by presenting them with souvenirs in recognition of their contributions and resilience.



KPT is commited to raise awareness about cancer and to support those infected by the disease.



Empowering Women at KPT International Women's Day Awareness Session

To commemorate International Women's Day, KPT hosted an empowering awareness session for its women employees at KPT Staff College on 18th March 2025. Spearheaded by the professional corporate trainer Ms. Noreen Farhan Ali, the learning session inspired the participants with detailed information on various important topics during the occasion.



SPORTS

KPT Sports Department Hosts Ramadan Snooker Cup 2025

The KPT Sports Department proudly broke the frame of the Ramadan Snooker Cup 2025 on 5th March 2025 in collaboration with WHS and Woodpecker at the KPT Sports Complex, Karachi. The opening ceremony featured Brig Muhammad Younis, general manager Administration, as the chief guest, with World Snooker Champion Mr. Muhammad Yousaf Khan as guest of honor.

This exciting tournament showcased 56 talented players from across Sindh, competing for the prestigious title, which concluded on 18th March 2025 with the prize distribution ceremony. Winners, runners-up, semi finalists and Excellent Break of Tournament players had received medals and trophies from Mayor Karachi Barrister Murtaza Wahab during the occasion.



KPT Boys Secondary School Achieved Second Place in Tug-of-war



KPT Boys Secondary School (Keamari) has clinched second position in the tug-of-war event organized by the Board of Secondary Education Karachi in 2024. The trophy was awarded on February 27, 2025, by Syed Sharaf Ali Shah, Chairman of the Board of Secondary Education, Karachi and was received by the Manager of Education KPT Syed Faisal Ijaz.

KPT's Iqbal Sheikh Shines at Veterans World Cup Cricket Tournament

KPT Sports Supervisor Mr. Iqbal Sheikh has made history as the first KPT cricketer to participate in the Veterans World Cup Cricket Tournament in Colombo, Sri Lanka. With an impressive 30-year career, he has represented the KPT cricket team in the Quaid-e-Azam Trophy and other national events.

Iqbal's outstanding performance of 55 runs helped Pakistan secure victory against Sri Lanka in the tournament final, enabling the team to lift the coveted trophy. His cricket journey began in

Karachi region, where he played Under-19 for Karachi Whites and Blues, attended the Pakistan youth camp, and participated in various tournaments, including the Wills Cup and One Day Cup. He has also played in leagues in England and the Bangladesh Premier League.

Currently serving as head of cricket at KPT, Iqbal has been actively involved in veterans cricket for 12 years and serves as a head coach in Karachi Zone 7. Congratulations to Mr. Iqbal Sheikh for his remarkable achievements and representation of KPT on the international stage!





41st National Elite Men's and 5th National Elite Women's Boxing Championship Concludes at KPT Sports Complex

The 41st National Elite Men's and 5th National Elite Women's Boxing Championship was held at the KPT Sports Complex from 10th to 15th February, 2025. This prestigious event featured male and female boxers competing in various weight categories, which was organized by the Pakistan Boxing Federation with the support of the Pakistan Army.



With over 300 participants from the various participating teams, the championship throughout ensured compliance with the international standards. In the male category, the Pakistan Army claimed first place, followed by Pakistan Navy and WAPDA. In the female category, the Pakistan Army also secured the top spot, with Punjab and WAPDA finishing second and third, respectively.



Corps Commander Karachi **Lt Gen Muhammad Avais Dastgir**, the chief guest, distributed prizes while praising the boxers' performances during the occasion. He also opined that the event would elevate present standards of Pakistani boxers and project them internationally.





Successful Inter-Divisional Badminton & Volleyball Competitions 2025

The KPT Inter-Divisional Badminton and Volleyball Competitions - 2025, took place from 18th to 24th February, 2025 at the KPT Sports Complex, showcasing the talent and enthusiasm of the KPT workforce. The tournament was inaugurated by the chief guest, Rear Admiral Ateeq Ur Rehman Abid SI(M), KPT General Manager Operations. He also represented the Operations Division in the opening match of the badminton doubles against the Engineering Division.

Throughout the tournament, teams from each division competed against the others in volleyball whereas only doubles badminton teams of each Division participated against each other to qualify for semifinals and finals of both volleyball and badminton. The championship concluded on 24th February, 2025, with enthusiastic participation from all participating players, who demonstrated exceptional finesse and competitive skills throughout the tournament.

In volleyball, the Operations Division emerged as the champion, while in badminton, the Finance Division secured victory in the men's category, and the Administration Division triumphed in the Women's category.

While speaking during the concluding ceremony occasion, the chief guest,

Chairman KPT Rear Admiral Habib-ur-Rehman HI(M), appreciated the outstanding performances of players and conduct of the tournament on such a short notice.

Later, he awarded medals and trophies to the position holders to conclude the proceedings.



Retirement of Mr. Hasan Arif Bilgrami: A Celebrated Career in Maritime Engineering at Karachi Port Trust



Mr. Hasan Arif Bilgrami, a seasoned and highly qualified Port/Civil Engineer (BPS-20), dedicated over 29 years of exemplary service to the Karachi Port Trust (KPT). He joined KPT on August 24, 1996, as an Assistant Executive Engineer (P&D Division) and retired on March 18, 2025, as General Manager (C/W). Throughout his tenure, he played a pivotal role in planning, construction, technical oversight, maintenance, and project management within the maritime infrastructure sector.

His expertise extended across numerous marine and civil engineering projects, including the development of quay walls, berths, oil piers, underpasses, flyovers, bridges, and roads. Additionally, he was instrumental in preparing PC-1 documents, conducting technical designs and feasibility studies, and coordinating with international consultants to ensure the successful execution of various port initiatives.

Renowned for his analytical skills and innovative problem-solving abilities, Mr. Bilgrami consistently demonstrated a commitment to excellence. He significantly contributed to the efficient planning, execution, and development of port projects while serving in various capacities from BPS-17 to BPS-20. His efforts also played a key role in closing project accounts with precision and efficiency.

With an unwavering passion for engineering and infrastructure development, he actively worked towards enhancing port operations by advocating for modern technologies, dedicated cargo terminals, and IT-driven solutions. His visionary approach aimed to reduce vessel turnaround time and dwell time, bringing KPT closer to global benchmarks.

The KPT management deeply appreciates Mr. Bilgrami's invaluable contributions and spotless career progression. As he embarks on a new chapter of life, KPT extends its heartfelt gratitude and best wishes for his future endeavours, hoping for continued success, happiness, and prosperity for him and his family.

CARGO, CONTAINER HANDLING & SHIP MOVEMENT AT KPT FOR THE YEAR 2025 (JAN-MAR)

CARGO / CATEGORY	FIGURES
I M P O R T S (Million Tons)	
Dry General Cargo	5.879
Dry Bulk Cargo	0.232
Total Dry Cargo	**6.111**
Liquid Bulk Cargo	2.813
TOTAL	**8.924**
E X P O R T S (Million Tons)	
Dry General Cargo	3.177
Dry Bulk Cargo	1.364
Total Dry Cargo	**4.541**
Liquid Bulk Cargo	0.336
TOTAL	**4.877**
TOTAL IMPORTS & EXPORTS (Million Tons)	
Dry General Cargo	9.057
Dry Bulk Cargo	1.596
Total Dry Cargo	**10.652**
Liquid Bulk Cargo	3.149
GRAND TOTAL	**13.801**
CONTAINER HANDLING (TEUs in Million)	
No. of Import	0.352
No. of Export	0.342
TOTAL TEUs	**0.694**
SHIP MOVEMENT (In Nos.)	
Container Ships	292
Bulk Cargo Ships	48
Gen. Cargo Ships	49
Oil Tankers	125
TOTAL	**514**



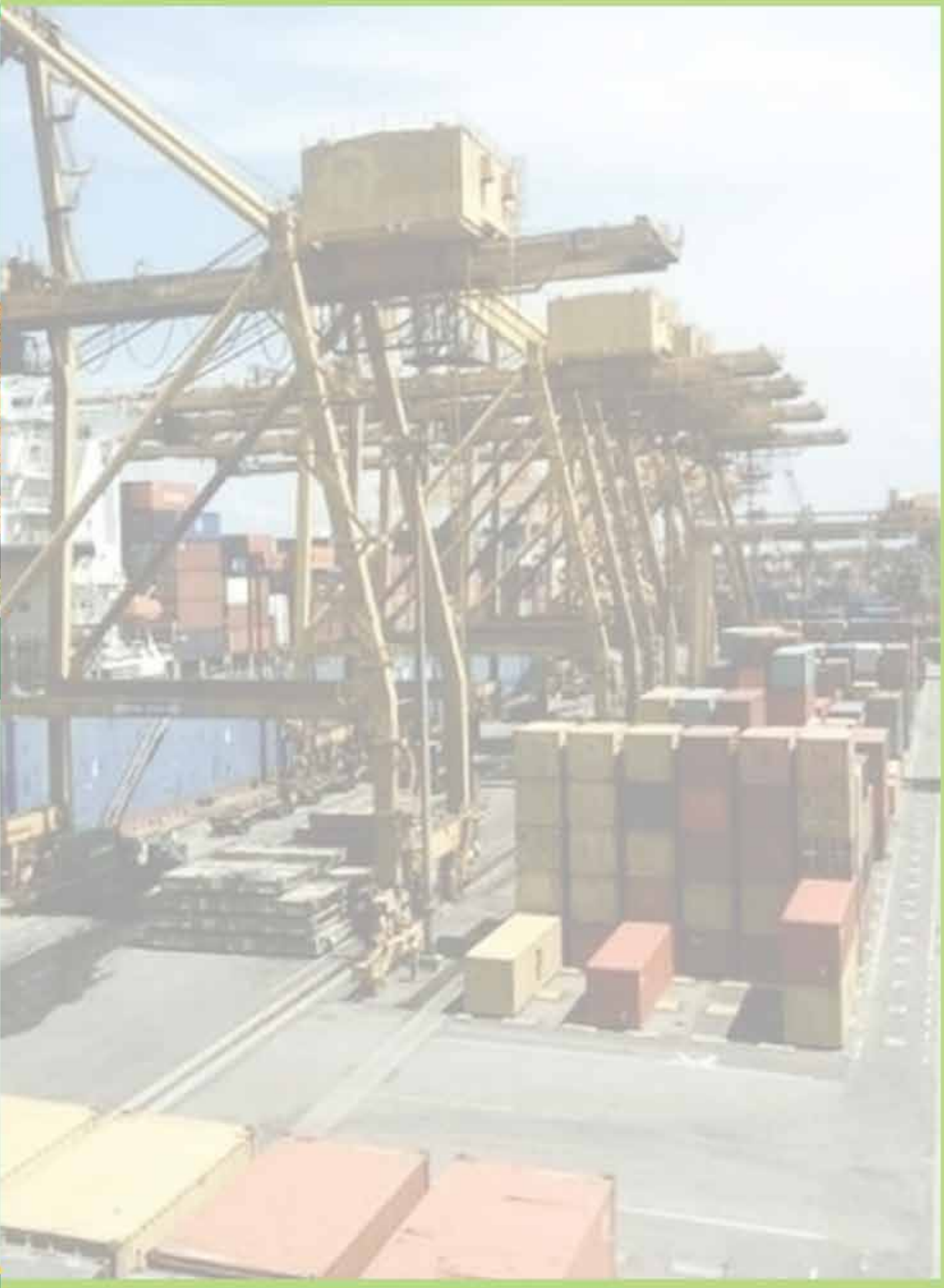
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