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NG News desk, Dubai: : This year, Navigators Group proudly marks **15 years of operations**, a milestone that is not simply a measure of time, but a reflection of the trust we have earned, the relationships we have built and the commitments we have honoured along the way.

Over the years, our journey has been shaped by challenges, opportunities and constant change. Through every stage, one principle has remained at the heart of everything we do: **our commitment to finding possibilities where others see limitations.**

As we step into the next chapter of our journey, this milestone also serves as a renewed promise. A promise to continue delivering dependable solutions, embracing innovation, strengthening partnerships, and going beyond conventional boundaries to meet the evolving needs of our customers.

The world of logistics continues to change, and so do the expectations placed upon us. But our commitment remains unwavering, to move forward with purpose, respond with agility and continue creating value through every challenge and opportunity.

As we celebrate this important milestone, we extend our sincere gratitude to our customers, partners and employees who have been an integral part of our journey. Together, we look ahead with confidence, determination and a renewed commitment to making **Logistics Possible**, today, tomorrow and for the years to come.

News desk, Dubai



DUBAI IN LINE TO GET THREE MORE ETIHAD RAIL STATIONS AFTER THE FIRST OPENS THIS MONTH

Dubai is set to have four Etihad Rail stations, including two stops on the planned high-speed link with Abu Dhabi. Roads and Transport Authority plans also include a second station for the national passenger network.

Dubai Al Yalays Station will become the first when it opens on September 30, 2026. Located near Jumeirah Golf Estates, the facility will connect Dubai with Etihad Rail passenger services already operating between Abu Dhabi and Fujairah.

Mattar Al Tayer, Director General and Chairman of the Board of Executive Directors of RTA, confirmed the additional Dubai locations during a press conference announcing the RailX Dubai Conference and Exhibition, according to Gulf News.

Dubai Al Yalays Station is scheduled to start passenger operations on September 30 alongside Al Dhaid Station. Etihad Rail confirms both stations form the next phase of its

national passenger service rollout. Scheduled services between Mohamed bin Zayed City in Abu Dhabi and Fujairah began on June 30, 2026.

Al Yalays sits near Jumeirah Golf Estates and Sheikh Mohammed Bin Zayed Road. A pedestrian connection is being developed between the rail facility and Jumeirah Golf Estates metro station.

Passengers will gain direct access to Dubai's established urban transport network from the national railway. RTA and Etihad Rail have been coordinating connections with metro, bus and taxi services.

Etihad Rail plans further passenger station openings during 2026 before Sharjah Station enters service on March 30, 2027. Its passenger network is designed to connect 11 cities and regions across the UAE.

Source: Online news portals



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Navigators overcomes last-minute port change to execute complex ship spare movement to the Far East

NG News desk, Dubai: Navigators successfully executed the movement of a 54-ton, approximately 80 CBM ship spare unit from Oman to the Far East, overcoming a significant last-minute change in the planned port of loading and additional operational requirements.

The shipment, comprising a single oversized unit, was initially planned for transportation by road from Jebel Ali to Sohar Port, with Sohar designated as the Port of Loading (POL). However, shortly before the planned movement, evolving operational requirements at the port necessitated a revision of the original logistics plan.

With the original routing no longer feasible, Salalah was identified as the alternative Port of Loading, adding approximately 900 km of road transportation to the movement and creating additional operational and logistical challenges.

Navigators swiftly adapted the transportation plan and coordinated the necessary requirements to route the cargo to Salalah. This included securing special approvals and road permits required for the extended road movement. In parallel, the shipping line conducted a pre-movement survey to assess the cargo and operational requirements before confirming the booking.

The cargo was subsequently transported by road to Salalah, where it was prepared for onward ocean transportation to the Far East on a container vessel on a breakbulk basis.

For the ocean leg, the shipping line arranged seven 40-foot flat racks to facilitate the required onboard lashing and securing of the unit, ensuring that the heavy and oversized ship spare was appropriately secured for the international voyage.

The successful execution of this movement demonstrates Navigators' ability to respond rapidly to unforeseen operational changes, coordinate multiple stakeholders, secure necessary approvals, and develop practical alternative routing solutions to keep complex cargo movements on track.

Despite the last-minute change in the Port of Loading and the additional 900 km road journey, Navigators successfully managed the movement through careful planning, close coordination and proactive operational execution.

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Navigators executes complex OOG transformer enclosure movement to Europe

NG News desk, Dubai: Navigators successfully executed a multimodal movement of a heavy transformer Enclosure Unit from Abu Dhabi to Europe, overcoming an unexpected change in the planned Port of Loading while ensuring the cargo continued its journey without disruption.

The shipment comprised a transformer enclosure with accessories, around 40 CBM. Given the nature and dimensions of the cargo, specialised equipment was required, with the main unit transported on one 20-foot Flat Rack for Out-of-Gauge (OOG) cargo, accompanied by a one 20-foot Standard container for the accessories.

An Unexpected Operational Challenge

The movement was initially planned for transportation by road from Abu Dhabi to Sohar Port, with Sohar designated as the Port of Loading for the onward sea transportation to Europe.

However, during the planning and execution stages, a change in the operational requirements for handling in-transit OOG cargo meant that the originally planned port of loading could no longer be utilised for the shipment.

Given nature of the cargo requiring specialised handling and OOG-compatible port facilities, an alternative solution had to be established promptly.

Adapting the Route

Navigators responded by revising the transportation plan and shifting the Port of Loading to Jeddah. The cargo was subsequently moved by road from Abu Dhabi to Jeddah, followed by sea transportation from Jeddah towards its European destination.

The change required close coordination of the road and ocean legs, together with the necessary arrangements

for OOG handling, specialised equipment, documentation and port operations. Despite the unexpected change, the shipment continued to progress through the revised routing, demonstrating the importance of operational flexibility and effective contingency management when handling complex cargo movements.

Complexity Managed with Confidence

"The movement highlights the challenges that can arise in project logistics, where port restrictions, equipment requirements and cargo characteristics can directly influence the transportation plan. For us, the ability to respond to such situations is an essential part of delivering complex cargo solutions. By assessing the situation quickly, identifying a viable alternative and coordinating the revised movement, the team ensured that the cargo remained on course towards its destination", mentioned Team leader, Industrial Projects division, Navigators UAE.

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DP WORLD LONDON, THE NEW METHANOL DUAL-FUEL VESSEL

DP World's Marine services business, shipping solutions has named its new methanol dual-fuel vessel, DP World London, at a ceremony in Aarhus, Denmark, marking a milestone in the company's investment in more connected, resilient and lower-carbon supply chains.



Shaped by trade, the sea and an outward-looking mindset, Aarhus provides a fitting stage for the introduction of the vessel. The city has long connected businesses and communities in Denmark with markets around the world. The unveiling of DP World London brought together executives, customers, partners, employees, the vessel's captain and crew, the Mayor of Aarhus and the vessel's godmother, to honour an important maritime tradition in the city where Shipping Solutions' journey began.

Founded in Aarhus in 1977 as Unifeeder, DP World's Shipping Solutions business has grown into a leading feeder and shortsea operator, serving customers across Europe and beyond. Today, it forms part of DP World's integrated Marine Services portfolio. Naming DP World London in the city where the business began reflects both its heritage and continued investment in fleet modernisation.

Source: Online news portals

KHORFAKKAN PORT RECEIVES ONE OF WORLD'S LARGEST CONTAINER SHIPS

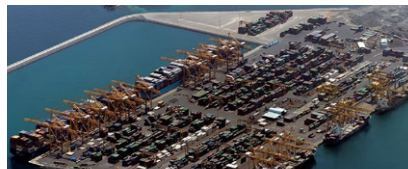
Khorfakkan Port has received MSC MARIELLA, an ultra-large container vessel with a capacity of 24,346 twenty-foot equivalent units, putting the Sharjah port's ability to handle some of the biggest ships operating on global trade routes into focus.

Operated by Mediterranean Shipping Company, the vessel measures around 400 metres in length and more than 61 metres in width, placing it among a select group of the world's largest container ships currently in service.

Khorfakkan Port's container terminal has six berths with a combined length of around 1,880 metres and a draught of up to 16 metres. The terminal is equipped with 18 ship-to-shore container cranes, together with storage and handling yards used to manage large volumes of cargo moving through the port. GulfTainer operates the container terminal at Khorfakkan Port, with services covering container handling, storage, customs clearance, road transport and refrigerated cargo. The terminal operates around the clock, allowing shipping lines and cargo owners to move containers between vessels, storage areas and inland destinations without depending on limited operating windows.

Khorfakkan's location on the UAE's eastern coast gives vessels direct access to the Gulf of Oman and the Indian Ocean, putting the port close to trade routes connecting Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, the Arabian Gulf and East Africa.

Source: Online news portals



CELEBRATING ONAM, CELEBRATING TOGETHERNESS

NG News desk, Dubai: Onam at Navigators was more than a celebration—it was a wonderful expression of togetherness, teamwork and the vibrant spirit that connects us as one family.

This year, the festivities brought together colleagues from across the Navigators offices, with Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Sharjah and Bahrain teams joining the celebrations at the Head Office. The atmosphere was filled with colour, enthusiasm and, of course, the unmistakable festive spirit of Onam.

One of the highlights of the celebrations was the Pookkalam Competition, where teams came together to create beautiful floral designs. What made the competition special was not just the creativity on display, but the collaboration, coordination and team spirit behind every Pookkalam. The Onam Harmony Award, presented as a rolling trophy, added an extra element of excitement to

the competition.

Beyond the contests and celebrations, the occasion offered everyone an opportunity to step away from the everyday pace of work, come together and celebrate a festival that beautifully represents unity and harmony. The celebrations were a reminder that while our operations may span locations, markets and borders, the strength of Navigators lies in the people who make it one team.

As we continue our journey together, Onam once again gave us a reason to pause, celebrate our shared bond and appreciate the diverse and vibrant culture that makes the Navigators family special.

Here's to togetherness, teamwork and many more celebrations together. Happy Onam!

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Your talent determines what you can do. Your motivation determines how much you're willing to do.
Your attitude determines how well you do it.

- Lou Holtz

All our dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them.

- Walt Disney

ETIHAD UPGRADES GOTHENBURG TO YEAR-ROUND FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONAL DEMAND

Etihad Airways will operate its newly announced Gothenburg service year-round. Announced just three weeks ago originally as a winter route running from 17 December 2026 to 21 March 2027, Abu Dhabi-Gothenburg will now continue beyond the season as a year-round part of the network, following exceptional demand since bookings opened.

Demand has come from both ends of the route. Travellers in western Sweden have booked travel to Abu Dhabi and the wider Gulf, on to Asia and the Indian subcontinent. In the other direction, guests across Etihad's global network are seizing the chance to discover Sweden's west coast.

For travellers from western Sweden, the new year-round service puts Abu Dhabi within direct reach in every season. Beyond its beaches, dining, culture and entertainment, the capital is also a gateway to Etihad's wider network across Asia and the Indian subcontinent. Guests connecting through Abu Dhabi can turn their journey into a visit of its own, with up to two complimentary hotel nights through Etihad's Abu Dhabi stopover programme.

Source: Online news portals



OMAN RATIFIES UAE RAILWAY AGREEMENT AS \$2.5B HAFEET RAIL PROJECT ADVANCES

Oman's Sultan Haitham bin Tariq has ratified an agreement between the Sultanate and the UAE to develop a railway connection between the two countries, clearing another formal step for the \$2.5 billion Hafeet Rail project as construction progresses on the cross-border network.

At the centre of the project is Hafeet Rail, a joint venture between Etihad Rail, Oman Rail and Mubadala Investment Company. The planned 238-kilometre railway will connect Sohar in Oman with the UAE national rail network, passing through Al Buraimi and Al Ain, according to The Arabian Stories paper.

The project is intended to do more than create a new passenger route. It would establish a direct rail corridor between Sohar, a major Omani industrial and maritime centre, and the UAE's expanding railway and logistics network, giving businesses another way to move raw materials and finished goods between ports, industrial areas and markets.

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