

**DHA NEWS
2013-14**

Under The **DHA SKY!**
Sunrise at Seaview



**PAKISTAN DEFENCE
OFFICERS HOUSING AUTHORITY
KARACHI**



EDITOR'S **Note**

This Newsletter is another trendsetter. Considering great expansions, smart innovations, efficient engineering, technological advancements and amazing architectural achievements at DHA, we decided to transcend from the regular Newsletter format that was quite text-savvy onto a fascinating pictorial portfolio capturing the wonderful changes you are witnessing in today's DHA from what it was, say, just about a decade back.

We've tried to capture the moments, the moods and the magic of the coveted DHA lifestyle, relentlessly essaying to paint a better, brighter, greener, cleaner, simpler yet smarter art of fine living for its hundreds and thousands of residents who've all come a long way to prosperity.

We hope the reader will like the change and continue to keep us posted with valuable suggestions and views for further improvement in the quality and substance of the DHA Magazine.

Come let's browse...

Editor

Lt Col (Retd) Syed Rafat Hussain Naqvi

Message of **President Executive Board DHA & Commander 5 Corps**



Defence Housing Authority Karachi's annual publication 'DHA News' provides a unique opportunity to highlight the ongoing development works and future development plans of the Housing Authority. DHA Karachi has come a long way in emerging as the largest and the most prestigious residential estate in the country. Throughout its cherished history, DHA has constantly endeavoured to establish benchmark standards in the planning and development of a versatile community living. The esteemed status achieved by the Housing Authority today is due to the consistency, dedication and devotion of the staff at DHA.

It is reassuring that DHA's ongoing mega projects including 'DHA City Karachi' on Super Highway and simultaneous infrastructure development works of all the left over sectors of DHA Phase-VIII are being executed with renewed vitality and exuberance. I expect DHA management to go full bore for ensuring speedy and quality execution of the projects at par with the highest standards of professional and engineering excellence.

I am confident that DHA and its residents will continue to work in complete harmony for achieving the goals of healthy, secure and happy civic life. It is imperative that DHA staff must continue to work with utmost devotion and uphold the good name, reputation and credibility of the organisation at all times.

I wish DHA and its management all the success and prosperity in future. May Allah Almighty be with you, always. Aameen.

Lt. Gen Sajjad Ghani, HI(M)
Commander 5 Corps &
President Executive Board DHA



Message of Administrator

It is a matter of great pleasure for me to interact with the residents and stake holders of DHA through the annual issue of DHA News; and to extend my best wishes to them.

The year 2014 has dawned as a defining era in the history of DHA Karachi, witnessing resurgence of a host of development activities, specially the execution of DHA City Karachi project with renewed speed and commitment. The ongoing fast track and simultaneous infrastructure development of all the undeveloped sectors of DHA Phase-VIII is yet another important feature of the versatile development strategy which is a matter of pride and accomplishment for the Housing Authority.

The spirited team of Defence Housing Authority is making concerted efforts in multiple directions to maintain the stature of DHA as a modern, efficient and vibrant organisation. Optimism, resilience and hope remain the galvanising spirit in all DHA's undertakings. I would like to reassure the residents that the staff of Defence Housing Authority will leave no stone unturned in ensuring that DHA Karachi remains one of the best residential estates of the country.

I am hopeful that the residents will continue to play a positive role in providing us with their valuable feedback on various issues so that pragmatic policies could be formulated for further betterment of DHA. I wish the DHA team as well as the residents all the best for a better and comfortable future.

Brig Muhammad Abdullah
Administrator DHA

Readers WRITE

I have received a copy of the DHA Newsletter 2012-13. It is heartening to see the ongoing activities and conceptual improvements in almost every sphere of life besides the upsurge of developmental activities in DHA Karachi. The pictorial views in the magazine are also very attractive and aptly represent excellent progress and dedication of DHA's staff in addressing and fulfilling the needs of its residents. I really commend the efforts, commitment and dedication towards uplifting of Defence Officers Housing Authority Karachi.

Lieutenant General Nasser Khan Janjua
President National Defence University
Islamabad

Your DHA Newsletter is most impressive and really worth reading. Let me congratulate you on an excellent publication and wish you all the best.

I am taking the opportunity of congratulating DHA on this achievement which gives a breath of fresh air (literally and physically) to the population of Karachi. It gives so many of the people an opportunity to relax and enjoy the food, good views and have a happy company.

It is for this reason that I am copying this letter to Lt Gen Muhammad Ijaz Chaudhry, Commander 5 Corps who was also the President of the Executive Board of DHA as well as to Brig Muhammad Abdullah, Administrator of DHA to also congratulate them on this development.

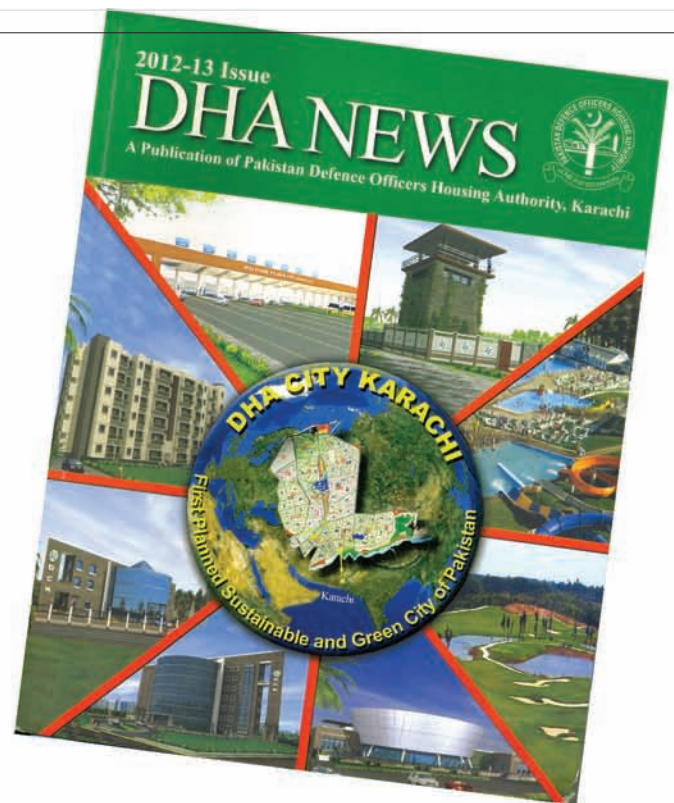
Byram D. Avari
Chairman
Avari Hotels Limited

We have received your DHA Newsletter 2012-13, which is much appreciated. We also wish you success in your endeavours.

Major (Retd) Sultan Mahmood Shah
Acting Director Marketing
DHA, Islamabad

We have received the DHA Newsletter – 2012-13. It has been kept in our library, and I am sure the students and staff will find it interesting.

M. A. Olla
Principal's Secretary
Karachi Grammar School
Clifton, Karachi



I have again received a well-produced and informative DHA Newsletter. I have been reading your newsletter regularly. I am an 80-year-old retired corporate journalist, and think you deserve to be awarded for such professional newsletter. Bravo.

Nasim Ahmad
Corporate Journalist

I am delighted to receive the latest issue of DHA News. As I have said in the past, each subsequent issue of the publication is indeed richer in contents and coverage of activities and carries more information on ongoing DHA Projects.

In the latest issue the coverage of two segments, the DHA Educational institutions and the DHA Clubs is indeed substantive and adds to the reader's knowledge. It is also a matter of pride that our students achieved positions at various levels of studies at their annual exams. My heartiest congratulations to DHA Educational Directorate and the meritorious students.

The Editorial Board needs full appreciation for keeping the residents of DHA updated on what's happening in this premier Housing Scheme. The report about DHA City was comprehensive and highly informative.

We look forward keenly to the next issue.

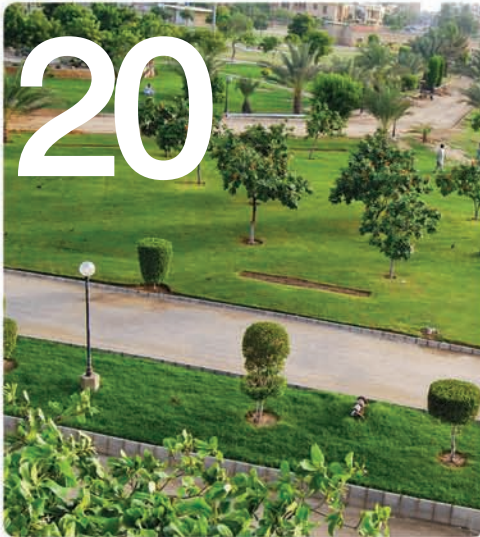
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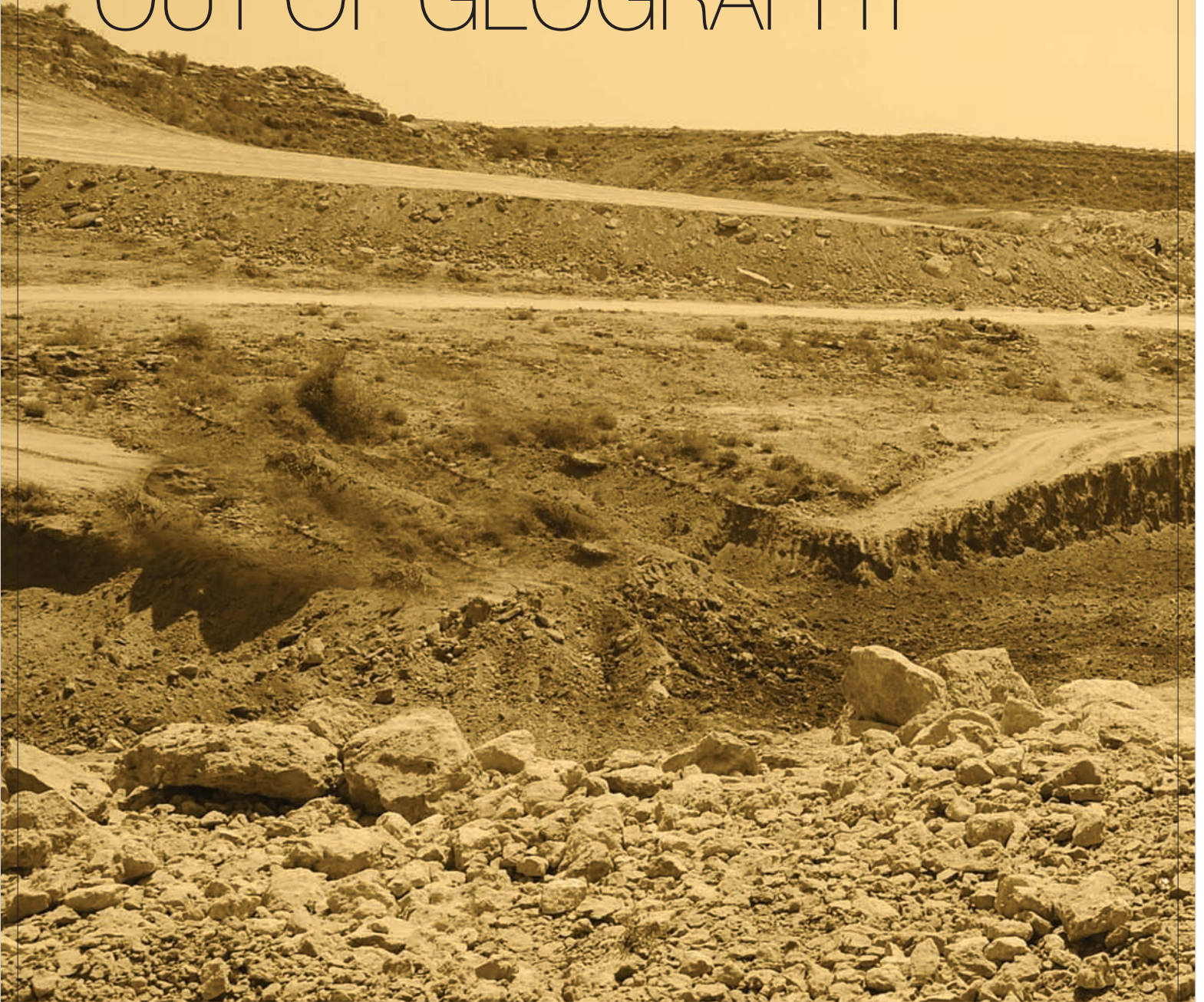


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Creating History OUT OF GEOGRAPHY



DEFENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Once upon a time — in the Land of Pure's most happening city settled along the coast of the majestic Arabian Sea — a masterly plan was put in place by a group of retired Armed forces officers to model a housing society that would set the

trends for advanced community living. It was March 1953 when the Pakistan Defence Officers Cooperative Housing Society (DOCHS) Karachi came into being.

Initially established on a limited area, with limited members, but by no means with limited scope, the present-day Pakistan Defence Officers Housing Authority (DHA) took shape as a full-fledged modern organisation through a Presidential Order in the August of 1980 after dissolving the DOCHS.

Since then, the DHA has come a long way in

top housing societies of the country; offering a fine blend of quality and modern living experience. Located south of Karachi, with its frontier embracing the awesome expanse of the Seaview beach, DHA encompasses eight self-contained phases flaunting beautiful parks, stately mosques, a grand network of roads, bustling commercial areas, excellent educational institutions and



emerging as the largest, most prestigious, residential estate in the country. Through a well-managed and regulated administration it provides the best educational, recreational, cultural and civic facilities in an aesthetically dynamic environment. It has virtually grown into one of the

modern clubs which make it what it is today — a symbol of style, superiority and exemplary self-sufficiency.

Watch us achieve milestones, and create landmarks...

DIVINE Energies

MOSQUES

The beautiful mosques in DHA are architectural wonders each in their own, with intricate detailing of ironwork, woodwork and calligraphy.

Masjid Tooba, for one, is a masterpiece well known for its exemplary spherical design and construction. Situated in Phase-II, it is considered as an icon of DHA. You'll find a large number of visitors flocked here to see this architectural marvel.

Among the other mosques, Masjid Abu Bakar, Masjid Bilal, Masjid Mustafa, Masjid Zubair, Masjid Saad Bin Abi Waqas, Masjid Hamza, Masjid Mubarik and Masjid Bait-us-Salam are worth mentioning.

By their grand ambience and spiritual exuberance, they beckon you to show your reverence for the Almighty and bow your heads in gratitude five times a day.



DHA Tooba Mosque



UNDER THE DHA SKY

PERPETUALLY MOVING AHEAD



E-Street—Khayaban-e-Shujaat to Beach Avenue



Dual carriageway from Korangi Road to Khayaban-e-Ittehad

DHA, the Land of Many Opportunities is perpetually evolving and advancing. Progress is a mission for DHA, and one can see the ever-growing, ever-expanding infrastructure; wide roads, lush parks, majestic buildings, stately mosques and much more than meets the eye.

Under the DHA sky we may find a unique tradition of development being carried out round-the-year, as the Authority caters to many a domestic and commercial venture on a remarkable scale.

The wide DHA roads have been lined with proper drainage and sewage systems to predominantly address rainwater-logging issues. But the roads also promote a free-flowing traffic round-the-clock—perhaps symbolically in line with DHA's philosophy of constantly moving ahead.



DHA Commercial Avenue



ENSURING **Excellence**

Corps Commander visits DHA Main Office



Above: Commander 5 Corps and President Executive Board DHA Lt Gen Sajjad Ghani being received and welcomed by Administrator DHA Brig Muhammad Abdullah upon his visit to the DHA's Main Office.

Right: On his arrival at Defence Housing Authority's Main Office, the Corps Commander being received by high ranking DHA officials.

Facing Page: As President Executive Board (PEB), the Commander 5 Corps attends the Executive Board meeting. Administrator DHA Brig Muhammad Abdullah is seen with him at the DHA Main Office boardroom.



Commander 5 Corps and President Executive Board DHA Lt Gen Sajjad Ghani visited DHA's Main Office. He met the DHA Officers and gave them policy directions for enhancing the efficiency and efficacy of the organisation.

The Corps Commander addressed the DHA officials and directed the Housing Authority to give a momentum to the execution of ongoing mega projects. He said that the mega projects should be completed with a renewed vision and earnestness. He also stressed on DHA ensuring frequent interaction with residents for achieving the goals of healthy, vibrant and efficient civic life.

President Executive Board (PEB) further said that provision of secure and safe environment to the

residents should be the top most priority of the management. He asked DHA to adopt a dynamic approach for bringing a tangible, pragmatic and realistic improvement in the living environment in DHA.

President Executive Board stressed the need for across the board implementation of byelaws for all and sundry in a transparent manner.

The Corps Commander in his concluding remarks urged DHA management and staff to continue their efforts for achieving higher standards of excellence and for maintaining the role of DHA as a trendsetter in the country.

NATURE & AESTHETICS

Breathe Here



Defence Authority Zamzama Park

DHA PARKS

It's in the nature of DHA to befriend Nature.

There are here many beautiful parks and gardens which not just cater to the recreational and health needs of the residents but also serve as the city's lungs breathing freshness and vitality.

Zamzama Park is located in Phase-V and is a must-go park. A small but beautiful Japanese architecture houses Bonsai plants.

Hilal Park situated on main Khayaban-e-Hilal in Phase-VI is definitely a picturesque view. With winding walking paths and a lot of greenery, a person is captivated by its scenic beauty.



DHA Seaview Park

Nisar Shaheed Park located in DHA Phase-IV is also a most frequented park where people of all ages are seen walking, jogging and taking refreshing exercises.

Maj Khalid Shaheed Park next to the Golf Club in DHA Phase-VIII is a unique and beautiful park enhanced by installed sculptures of various animals. And Capt Farhan Shaheed Park on Seaview provides fascinating recreational facilities.

At the Zamzama Park in Phase-V, the Horticulture Directorate DHA is doing a great job of maintaining beautiful landscaped parks in different phases of DHA. This park was built on the site of an 18th Century Army Barracks.

One may still see a few barracks transformed into cafeteria, taking gourmet orders.





SMALL IS THE BIG IDEA

BONSAI

Bonsai is the fascinating art of growing ornamental, artificially dwarfed trees or shrubs. Bonsai trees grow full-bloom albeit in small containers or pots. Bonsai is a Japanese term, from bon 'tray' + sai 'planting'. It is nature in miniature.

The mechanics of the intricate art of nurturing Bonsai plants revolves around selecting appropriate plants, containers, pruning, trimming and feeding to create miniature trees. The success of growing Bonsai trees depends on maintaining

harmony and balance in their growth and on their appropriate exposure to sunlight.

The aesthetic delight and pleasure derived out of practicing Bonsai art has a soothing and positive effect on human senses.

Bonsai Centre established by the Society at DHA Zamzama Park has emerged over the years as a nucleus for disseminating the knowledge of the intricate art in the country.

WINNING Laurels

DHA FLOWER SHOW





Seaview Park

The Annual Flower Show arranged by the Horticultural Society of Pakistan (HSP) annually in collaboration with DHA and Cantonment Board Clifton (CBC) is a must-visit affair you can't afford to miss.

All flowers big and small, shrubberies and exquisite floral arrangements can be found at this one big show held every year, and competitions for the best gardens, lawns and arrangements are also held.

The effort of the HSP is to provide a cleaner and greener environment to Karachi with the belief that flowers reflect natural beauty and create an indelible charming effect on the human mind. A lively activity that helps in promotion of positive and healthy trends in society, because such natural spots like gardens, parks and open grounds when beautified provide aesthetic delight to the people and have a soothing effect on their nerves.

Such is the strength of flower power.

FLOWER Power

THE 63RD PAKISTAN FLOWER SHOW 2014



The 63rd Pakistan Flower Show 2014 opened recently at the DHA Seaview Public Park. A colourful ceremony was held in which flower loving enthusiasts and organisations/groups who won the flower competition in various categories were awarded trophies and prizes. Commander 5 Corps and President Executive Board DHA Lt Gen Sajjad Ghani was the chief guest.

The Annual Flower Show was arranged by Horticultural Society of Pakistan (HSP) in

collaboration with DHA and Cantt Board Clifton (CBC). The venue of the show presented an exquisite view of colour and beauty with fragrance of flowers adding to the ambience of the scene. Naval Band played melodies to give a festive mood to the environment.

Lt Gen Sajjad Ghani lauded the efforts of Horticulture Society of Pakistan (HSP) for organising a splendid floral show. He said that the effort of HSP in giving cleaner and greener



environment to Karachi was commendable. He added that flowers reflected natural beauty and left indelible marks of creative charm on human mind. He emphasised that competitions like this flower show were a lively activity and helped in promotion of positive and healthy trends in society.

President Horticultural Society of Pakistan, Mr Faheem Siddiqui in his welcome address outlined the activities of his organisation in promoting horticultural awareness in society. He said that HSP was actively engaged in beautifying the environment of the metropolis. Veteran Chairman of HSP, Lt Gen (R) Jahanzeb Arbab termed love of flowers as the essence of life. He said that flowers reflected natural beauty and such natural spots like gardens, parks and open grounds must be beautified as they provided aesthetic delight to the people and had a soothing effect on their nerves.

A large number of individuals, organisations, amateurs and professionals participated in the flower show in various categories. Defence

Authority Zamzama Park, CBC Hilal Park and CBC Rahat Park got first prizes in the categories of large, medium and small parks. In the category of beautification of spots, DHA Gizri Hilltop got the first prize while Getz Pharma Roundabout was second in the category.

Flag Staff House got first prize in official bungalows (large) gardens, Station Commander's House in official bungalows (small) gardens, Sindh Club in club gardens (large), Karachi Boat Club in club garden (small) and DHA Tooba Masjid in mosque garden got the first prize in their respective categories. College of Physicians & Surgeons Pakistan got first prize in institute gardens and DHA Degree College for Men got first prize in colleges/universities gardens respectively.

DHA won the first position of the Flower Show competition and was awarded the coveted Abdul Sattar Pirzada Trophy. Administrator DHA, Brig Muhammad Abdullah and President HSP, Mr AK Khan were also present.



Zamzama Commercial Area

ENJOY THE **Commercials**

DHA COMMERCIAL AREAS

There's one sure way of shunning boredom—take a good commercial break.

If you are looking for some peaceful shopping luxury, come to the Saba Commercial in Phase-VII. If you are looking for exciting varieties, you must visit Bukhari Commercial Area. Nishat Commercial Area or Rahat Commercial Area in Phase-VI.

But if you want a full-action thriller then Phase-V is the place just right for you. Zamzama Shopping Area located in Phase-V is considered as the most posh area for shopping in the metropolis. All leading designer-outlets are to be found here. Other Phase-V commercial spots include Badar Commercial Area, Stadium Commercial Area and Tauheed Commercial Area.

Choose your area of shopping.



Shahbaz Commercial



Come for **Compliance**

CENTRAL CONTROL CELL (CCC)



One window, many doors. Introducing the CCC!

With a view to facilitating the common citizen in the completion of a building, a Central Control Cell (CCC) has started working at DHA Main Office. Through a one-window operation all the complicated procedures are speedily completed on a fast track basis.

The three “C’s” may also translate their nature of existence into Counselling, Cooperating and Coordinating, if you may.

People can now find the representations of DHA, CBC and MEO under one roof, providing all assistance pertaining to the completion of building plan formalities — from the silt to the skyscraper, from sandcastles to real estate castles.

The one window operation provides a great relief to the residents and has drastically curtailed the processing time to half.

Time to catch up now!



**EYES & EARS
Wide Open**
DHA SECURITY & VIGILANCE



The human bricks who, put together, become a fortress of trust-and sense of security-for residents and visitors alike, DHA Vigilance is always alert to any unforeseen situation.

Tasked with the onerous responsibility of ensuring across-the-board implementation of DHA by-laws and to provide secure living environment in the area, assist the law-enforcement agencies in random checking of vehicles, unregistered weapons, drug abuse, indecent exposures, fake motor registration and any situation going haywire in DHA, the department is fully geared with state-of-the-art electronic cameras which have been installed at all exit and entrance points, focal venues and

commercial areas for electronic surveillance.

DHA Vigilance has recently been expanded and modernised to enhance its efficacy and to make it an effective force that can assist the police in enhancing security and safety in DHA.

DHA along with the police has formed a taskforce with six vans and 10 motorcycles to keep a check on criminal activities in the area and to promptly and effectively deal with any untoward incident within DHA. And with check posts and road blockades in different focal spots, you can't miss the point of having them around you like watchful "eyes and ears".

Positive FEEDBACK

ASSOCIATION OF DEFENCE RESIDENTS MEETS DHA ADMINISTRATOR



A delegate of the residents association in a meeting with the DHA Administrator.

A delegation of the Association of Defence Residents (ADR) led by its President Mr Attiqueur-Rehman visited DHA and held a meeting with Administrator DHA, Brig Muhammad Abdullah, at DHA Main Office to discuss various issues related to the residents.

The Administrator underlined the need for positive interaction between DHA and residents' associations. He said that for DHA, satisfaction of residents was of utmost importance and DHA would always welcome the valuable feedback from the residents' associations.

The delegation was informed that the leftover development works in DHA Phase-VII and Phase-VII Extension were under progress and will be

completed soon. The Administrator told them that recently DHA has started development of Sec 'E' in Phase-VIII which was the only leftover sector and the work is undergoing at a fast pace.

The Administrator reiterated that DHA accorded highest priority to provision of secure and safe living environment to residents. He said that DHA has formulated a security plan to improve the overall security situation in the Housing Authority and in this regard major steps will be taken soon.

The meeting concluded on a positive note, while both residents and DHA officials expressed their resolve to continue meaningful cooperation in future.

Improving EFFICACY

DRS MEETS DHA ADMINISTRATOR



A meeting of DRS with Administrator DHA is in progress at the DHA Main Office

A representative delegation of Defence Residents' Society (DRS) led by its President Zafar Iqbal visited DHA Main Office and held a meeting with Administrator DHA Brig Muhammad Abdullah to discuss various problems of the residents. DHA officials concerned were also present.

Brig Abdullah reiterated that interactions between DHA management and residents' representatives help the Housing Authority to formulate a realistic development strategy. He also apprised the forum that Defence Housing Authority was taking a number of proactive measures to improve the security environment in DHA which also include establishment of a "DHA Security Company" to curtail the street crime.

DRS delegation complemented DHA for introducing One Way Traffic Regime on Khayaban-e-Shamsheer and was of the view that the new system has greatly helped in smooth regulation of the traffic going to Seaview and back.

The delegation was informed that work on various development projects in DHA City Karachi (DCK) was in full swing to make DCK a livable entity by 2015-16. It was also stated that infrastructural development works in different sectors of DHA Phase-VIII were being completed on a fast track

basis and that major portion of the development budget in Phase-VIII was dedicated to completing the electrification and gasification schemes in the area.

VC DHA Suffa University said that the newly established institution of higher learning was being developed as a world class University of Engineering and Management Sciences. Chief Engineer apprised the forum that work on development of a new graveyard in DHA Phase-VIII is being undertaken by FWO and would be completed soon.

Director Building Control responding to a DRS suggestion to simplify the DHA Building Rules/Regulations said that computerised AutoCAD based system was being introduced in DHA to simplify the procedure. He said that at Central Control Cell (CCC) established at DHA Main Office, the time for completion of Building Plan has been reduced considerably.

President DRS thanked Administrator DHA and his team and assured him of the full cooperation and support of the Association. Later the DRS delegation visited the Central Control Cell and appreciated the efficacy and role of the set up.

KEEPING Vigil



Administrator DHA Brig Muhammad Abdullah addressed a largely attended gathering of DHA Vigilance personnel at Central Library DHA recently.

The Administrator asked the Vigilance staff to prepare themselves to deal with the new emerging challenges with a reinvigorated and dynamic approach. He said that Vigilance Department was the only uniformed force in DHA and therefore it was expected that they would maintain highest standard of discipline, efficiency and excellence in all their undertakings. He said that it was obligatory on Vigilance Staff to win the confidence and trust of residents through their exemplary professional-cum-personal conduct.

Brig Abdullah reminded the DHA personnel of their onerous responsibilities to ensure across the board implementation of DHA byelaws and to provide best security in the area. He said that the country was passing through a very critical stage

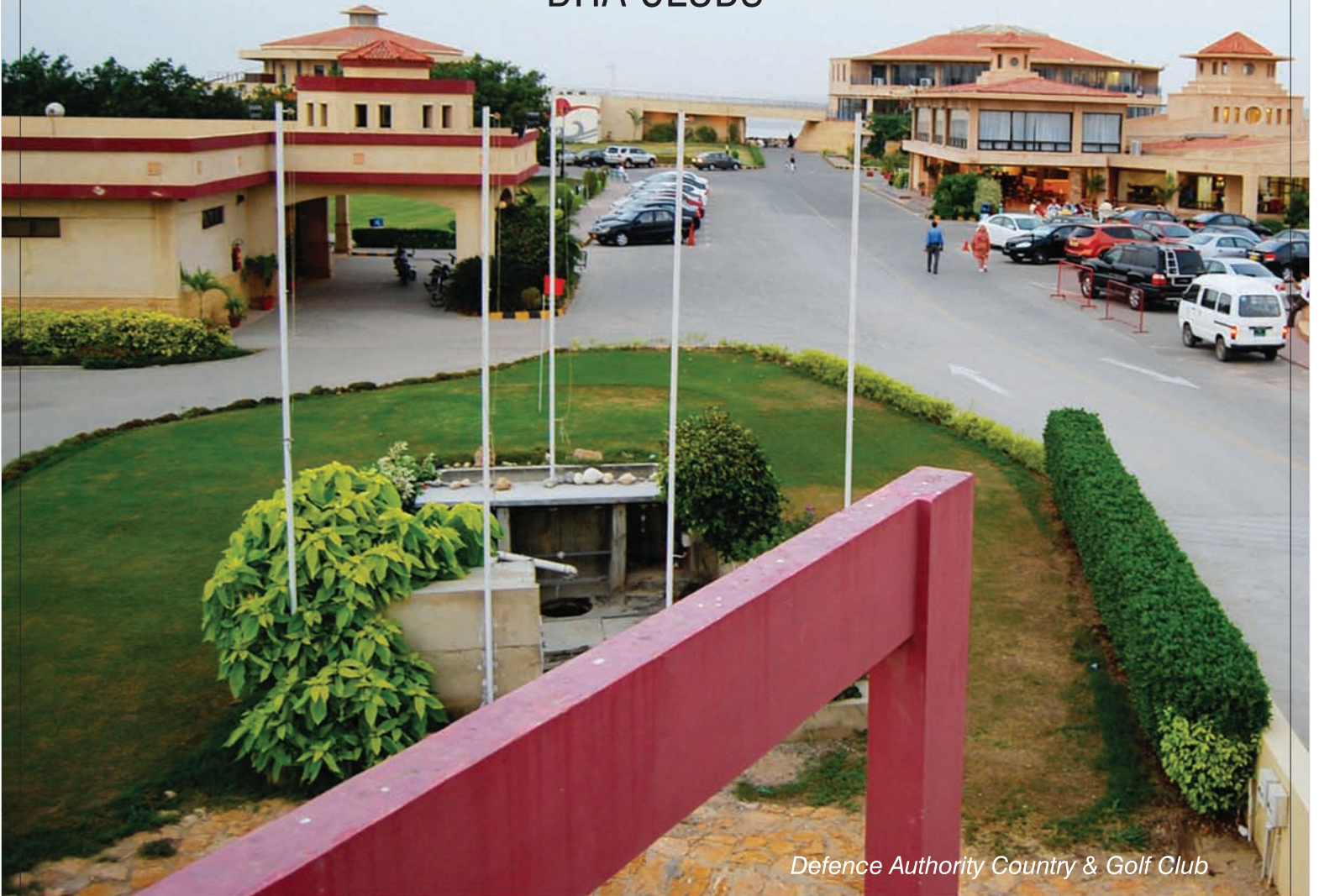
of its history whereas terrorism, bomb blasts and heinous crimes were rampant in the metropolis. He asked the Vigilance Staff to remain extra vigilant and to adopt proactive strategy for facing the onslaught of challenges effectively.

The Administrator said that DHA Vigilance has recently been expanded and modernised to enhance its efficacy and to make it an effective force which could augment police and other law enforcement agencies in enhancing security and safety environment in DHA. He said that electronic surveillance of DHA has been ensured by installing surveillance/electronic cameras and that Vigilance has been provided more vehicles and modern equipment/weapons to enhance its efficacy and effectiveness.

Director Security and Vigilance DHA and other DHA officials also attended.

FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD

DHA CLUBS



Defence Authority Country & Golf Club

Keeping alive the very essence of modern living clubbed together with a tradition of mannerism and quality entertainment, there are seven DHA clubs which provide the best recreational and sports facilities to its members.

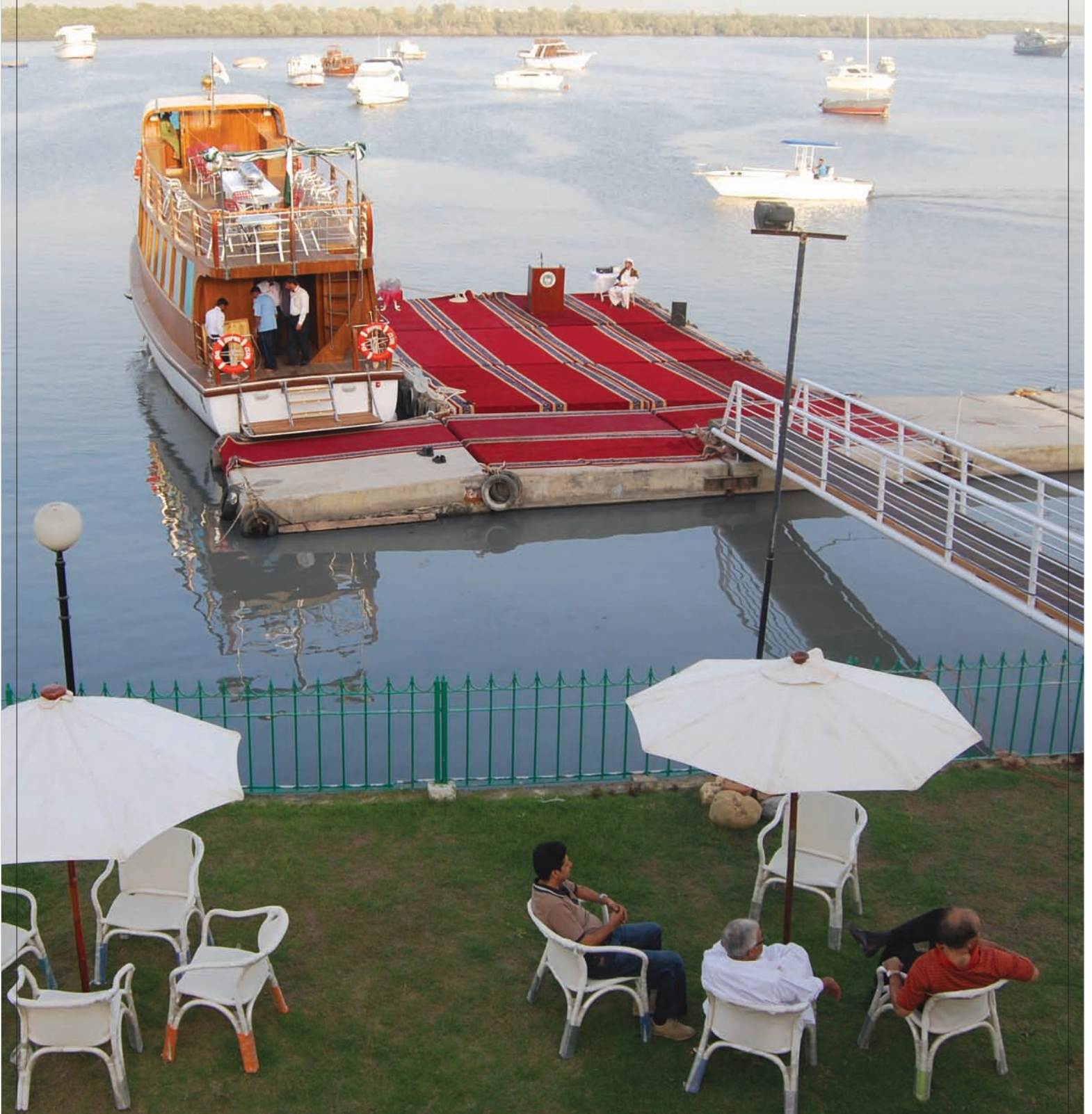
The prestigious DHA Clubs include Defence Authority Country & Golf Club (Phase-VIII), Defence Authority Creek Club (Phase-VIII), Defence Authority Marina Club (Phase-VIII), Defence Authority Club (Phase-II), Defence Authority Sunset Club (Phase-II), Defence Authority Zamzama Club (Phase-V) and Defence Authority Beach View Club (Seaview).

There is the Defence Authority Country & Golf Club; one of the finest golfing resorts in the country having a professional 18-hole golf course.



Defence Authority Marina Club provides unique water sports facilities for people who want to be far from the city crowd. Here is the best place to book a leisure boat to take a gentle tour of the

Creek. You may also book this lovely boat for parties. A lot of water activities are held here and this club had hosted many sailing competitions.



Defence Authority Creek Club, overlooking the Gizri Creek, provides unique and unmatched sports, entertainment and recreational activities.




Defence Authority Club is the oldest and one of the best clubs upholding the traditions with modern outlook.





Defence Authority Beachview Club overlooking the blue waters of the majestic Arabian Sea is undergoing expansion and modernisation, proposed to emerge as the best facility on the Seaview.





Defence Authority Sunset Club is the hub of sporting and recreational activities and provides, healthy entertainment facilities to the members.

There are also a number of private entertainment and sports clubs in DHA catering to the varied needs of the residents.

The seven wonderful clubs of DHA are not just places to go but places to be at.

Ready. Study. Go...

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS



You don't have to go far to seek first-class knowledge, if you live in or around DHA.

DHA has its own educational institutions including two degree colleges, one intermediate college and eleven schools ranging from Montessori to Matric/O&A Levels, which impart quality education. Moreover, there are a number of renowned private schools and colleges located in DHA.



DA College for Women, Phase-VIII



CENTRES OF SCHOLASTIC EXCELLENCE

DHA stresses the need for an excellent study environment. Which is why, from primary to higher education the demand to meet great standards never ceases. As you can see, the learning environment at schools even for the little ones is vibrant and extremely friendly.

Many students of different DA educational institutions have brought laurels to their Alma Mater by producing highest results. These institutions not only impart mere education but also groom students to go forth, well-prepared as intellectuals with a purpose in society.



PREMIER Institution

DHA Suffa University

DHA Suffa University (DSU) is established at its purpose-built campus in the secure and peaceful environment of DHA Phase-VII (Extension). DSU is Pakistan's fastest growing university which is running world class higher education programs in the disciplines of Engineering, Computer and Management Sciences at Undergraduate and Master's levels. PhD programs are about to begin.





DHA Suffa University opened its doors in Fall 2012 to the youth of the country, with a vision to produce world class engineers, computer scientists, entrepreneurs and corporate leaders. DSU offers undergraduate, graduate and doctoral programs in Engineering, Computer Science and Management Sciences. DHA Suffa University continues to aspire to be ranked amongst the nation's top educational institutions. It offers a truly diverse yet progressive environment to its students. DSU's growing reputation for innovative teaching, modern IT infrastructure, strong industrial linkages and highly effective collaboration with foreign universities, continues to set the campus apart from the other universities in Karachi. By choosing DSU, students can be confident that they are obtaining a globally recognised education from a leading Pakistani institution.

The DSU Philosophy

The educational philosophy of DSU is three tiered: imparting to students relevant academic knowledge,

helping them with their personal development and giving them a real professional life experience; thus making the DSU experience "a reward for life". DSU's online admissions system, modern curricula, unique teaching methodologies, continuous evaluation, online examination system and conducive learning environment make it the highly progressive institution that DSU's educational philosophy prophesies it to be.

Programs Presently Offered by DSU

DSU presently offers the following degree programs:
 BE, MS & PhD (Mechanical Engineering)
 BE, MS & PhD (Electrical Engineering)
 BS, MS & PhD (Computer Science)
 BBA, MBA, EMBA, MS & PhD (Management Sciences)

The University has plans to launch programs in other disciplines also in future. The most notable one is BE (Civil) scheduled to be launched from Fall Semester 2015.



Recognition & Approvals by Regulatory Bodies

DSU is recognised by the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan (HEC) as a private sector degree awarding university in the province of Sindh. The BE (Mechanical) and BE (Electrical) programs of DSU are approved by the Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC). The BS (Computer Science) program conforms to the standards of National Computing Education Accreditation Council (NCEAC), whereas the BBA and MBA programs conform to the standards of National Business Education Accreditation Council (NBEAC). The University was inspected and evaluated by the Sindh Government's Charter Inspection and Evaluation Committee (CIEC) to its full satisfaction on 26th December 2012 and was awarded an overall five star excellent rating.

Collaboration with Foreign Universities

From its very inception, DHA Suffa University has envisioned to be a globally recognised and world renowned academic institution. As part of this strategy, DHA Suffa University signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Technical University of Applied Sciences (TUAS), Wildau, Germany in February 2014 to establish

collaboration in academics and research. TUAS-Wildau has strong academic and research programs in the areas of Engineering, Information Technology, Bio Technology, Bio Informatics, Renewable Energy, Logistics and Management Sciences. Therefore, there is a potential for great synergy between DSU and TUAS-Wildau. Under the MoU, students of DSU will be able to attend one or two semesters for studies at TUAS-Wildau and perform an industrial internship in Germany, arranged by TUAS-Wildau. Other collaboration envisaged by the MoU includes exchange of faculty members, technology transfer for industries, businesses and enterprises, specialised summer camps tailored to DSU requirements and launching of joint degree programs. The MoU with TUAS-Wildau follows an earlier MoU, the University signed with the Eurasia Institute of International Education (EIIE) also located in Berlin for the establishment of a German Resource Centre at DSU to impart training in German language to DSU students and others to facilitate the exploitation of educational, industrial and research opportunities provided by German institutions and industries.

DSU is already reaping the benefits of an MoU signed earlier in May 2013, with the AIMST University (formerly The Asian Institute of Medicine, Science & Technology), Penang, Malaysia, to promote collaboration in academics and research. The MoU is facilitating student and faculty mobility programs and cooperation in academic programs and research. Both the institutions are benefiting immensely from this MoU in a win-win situation.

Scholarships

Scholarships are part of DSU's commitment to rewarding academic excellence and enabling students from all backgrounds to realise their potential, graduate with strong practical skills and achieve their goals. DSU awards need-based and merit-based scholarships every semester to deserving students.

DSU Campus

The present campus of DHA Suffa University spreads over 5 acres of land in the secure and safe environment of Phase VII (Ext) in DHA, Karachi. Master planning to build a self-contained campus, comprising high rise buildings over 25 acres of land at DHA City, has been done by M/S Osmani and Company Limited. It will accommodate 5500 students, 350 faculty and 1000 NTS, in the 1st Phase. Expansion of DSU Campus in Phase II over 200 acres of land in DHA City is also planned.

Faculty

DSU boasts of a highly accomplished full time faculty, who are actively engaged in teaching as well as research activities. The DSU faculty members have a vast experience of having worked for some of the most prestigious national and international teaching, research and industrial institutions. They regularly undertake writing professional papers, researching case studies and consultancy for public and private sector organisations. DSU's highly qualified and accomplished faculty considers it a pleasure and privilege to interact with its students and to act as their mentors and counsellors, sharing with them their professional learning and experience.





Laboratories

DSU places great emphasis on the importance of laboratory courses that are part of the engineering programs curricula. The Mechanical and Electrical Engineering laboratories and workshops are furnished with high-speed computers to design and verify advanced concepts, giving the students hands-on experience on most modern equipment.

IT Services

DSU has state-of-the-art IT infrastructure available to students and faculty alike, creating an enabling environment for effective learning. The technologies are the latest based on the principles of Cloud Computing. Also the DSU Learning Management System allows students to access teaching material and submit their assignments online. Computing

facilities include campus wide Wi-fi connectivity allowing interaction between students and faculty members round the clock. The Computer Labs have computing devices providing an exceptional computing experience to the students, where software for their educational needs is readily available.

Industrial Liaison

The statutory bodies of DHA Suffa University include professionals from industries and technical heads of various engineering organisations across the region. The purpose of industrial collaboration is to work towards faculty's research support, student's exposure to industry, internships, placements, and technology incubation.

The Will To Excel

ANNUAL FUNCTION OF SKBZ COLLEGE

Young students displaying their prowess in a colourful sports drill



Winners receiving the trophy from the chief guest



Annual Day Function of Defence Authority SKBZ College was held at the College's lush green ground. Muhammad Imran Khan Chisti, Controller of Examinations Board of Intermediate Education Karachi was the chief guest.

The students dressed in colourful attires presented a splendid programme which included an impressive march past, a spectacular mass PT display and taekwondo martial art techniques. The chief guest commended the students for their remarkable performance both in academic and co-curricular activities at all levels.

Imran Chisti said that the purpose of education was to produce dynamic and versatile individuals who could contribute for the betterment of society. He stressed the need for inculcating discipline and punctuality in students which was essential for success in life. He urged the students to concentrate on their studies and also to actively participate in co-curricular activities so essential for development of a healthy and versatile personality.

He said that teachers were the backbone of any educational system and an important pillar of society. He asked the teaching faculty to discharge the onerous responsibility of nation building with a sense of pride and commitment.

Earlier the Principal, Brig (Retd) Shahid Saleem Lone in his inaugural address recounted the achievements of students in academics, sports and other co-curricular activities. He said that the vibrant and stimulating educational environment provided at the College helped in achieving academic excellence and goals of quality education.

Sir Syed House got the winning trophy while Iqbal House was runners up. The chief guest at the end distributed prizes amongst the students who excelled in various curricular and co-curricular activities. Awards were also given to the faculty members who produced 100% results in Board Examinations. Director Education DHA, Commodore (R) Talib Hussain was also present.

Tribute To War Heroes

GREENWICH UNIVERSITY OBSERVES DEFENCE DAY OF PAKISTAN



A function was held at Greenwich University in DHA Seaview Township to commemorate the Defence Day of Pakistan in which the speakers paid homage to the martyrs who laid down their lives during Sept 1965 Indo-Pak War defending the country. Administrator DHA Brig Muhammad Abdullah was the chief guest of the ceremony while a war veteran of 1965 war Lt Gen (R) Jahanzeb Arbab was the guest of honour.

The students of the university presented a very inspiring programme in which innovative documentaries prepared by them on our war heroes were shown while the university band presented patriotic national songs of that period. The speakers stressed the need to rekindle the patriotic fervour of Sept 1965 War in the nation for confronting the new and far more serious challenges posed to the existence of the country today from the militants, extremists and fanatics.

Brig Abdullah paid tribute to the armed forces and the people of Pakistan who during the 1965 war stood as one against a many times larger enemy. He said our armed forces imbued with a patriotic spirit rendered supreme sacrifices and laid down their lives so that we live in safety and honour. He

added that the examples of valour and courage setup by the armed forces were unparalleled.

Lt Gen (R) Jahanzeb Arbab said that our valiant Defence Forces not only gallantly fought with enemy three times the size but also gave them an exemplary defeat. He recounted the courageous acts of his infantry battalion which he was commanding then at Sulemanki sector and described how his regiment penetrated deep into the Indian territory with remarkable success and captured a sizeable area of India.

Sister of Maj Shabbir Shareef Shaheed (Nishan Haider), brother of late Air Cdre MM Alam who shot down five Indian Hunter planes in a minute on 7 Sept 1965 at Sargodha and created a world record and brother of Maj Aale Ahmed Shaheed also spoke on the occasion. Ms Seema Mughal, Vice Chancellor Greenwich University said that important national days were organised at the University as part of students' grooming so that students could get real inspiration and motivation from the glorious acts and deeds of our ancestors.

The programme ended with prayers for the prosperity and solidarity of Pakistan.

The Art of PUBLIC SPEAKING

21ST ANNUAL BILINGUAL DECLAMATION CONTEST

Defence Authority College for Women recently organised their 21st Annual Bilingual Declamation Contest in the College Auditorium. Professor Anwar Ahmed Zai, Chairman Board of Intermediate Education Karachi (BIEK) honoured the event as the chief guest. The contest commenced with the recitation of Holy Quran followed by Naat.

The chief guest in his address emphasised on the significance of time and quoted Allah the Almighty and his Messenger, Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) very clearly tell us the value of time and we must use our time wisely to increase our faith and to attain success in the life hereafter. His speech proved to be mesmerising. He praised the contest highly and congratulated the Principal Dr Farhat Agha on the mega success of the programme.

Dr Farhat Agha welcomed the chief guest and the audience. In her speech she greatly appreciated

the efforts of the Debating Society of the College in the art of public speaking.

In the English Declamation Contest Hamdard University grabbed the first position, PNS Bahadur was declared second and PECHS College for Women won the third position. While special prize was taken by the Agha Khan School.

In the Urdu Declamation first position was won by Hamdard University, NUST got second and Agha Khan Secondary School was declared third while the special prize taken by Agha Khan Medical University. Overall trophy of the Declamation Contest was given to Hamdard University.

In the end, the chief guest distributed shields among the participants and the judges of the declamation contest. The principal presented a shield to the chief guest.



SPEAK **Bold**

INTER-COLLEGIATE BILINGUAL DECLAMATION CONTEST

An Inter-collegiate Bilingual declamation contest was held at Defence Authority Degree College, Karachi. A large number of reputed educational institutions of the city took part in the contest, which is an annual feature of the College's co-curricular activities. Prof Sehar Ansari, renowned poet and Chairman Literary Society, Arts Council of Pakistan was the chief guest.

The chief guest said the youth comprised the major portion of the demography in Pakistan. We shall educate the youth's role towards a peaceful and tolerant society in an elaborate manner. It is very important to equip them with all necessary tools and public speaking is one of them, especially in an environment which is becoming more and more competitive and challenging. In the end he appreciated all the teachers and students who made this event successful.

In his welcome address, the Principal of the College, Prof Syed Siraj Munir, introduced the chief guest and the judges of the Declamation

Contest. He said that declamations, debates and discussions provided the students an effective forum for enlightenment of mind and grooming of leadership qualities in them. As co-curricular activities, they infused in them the spirit of acceptance and tolerance, and developed a realistic approach in the minds.

In English Declamation University of Karachi secured 1st position, Pakistan Marine academy came second and PNEC NUST stood at 3rd position.

In Urdu Declamation NED University secured 1st position, DA College for Women Phase-VIII came 2nd and PNS Jauhar stood at 3rd position. The coveted trophy was won by DA College for Women Phase-VIII.

In the end the chief guest distributed certificates and shields among the participants of the declamation contest. The Principal of the College presented an honorary shield to the chief guest.



Winners Have Their Day

SKBZ ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY

The Annual Prize Distribution and talent show of Defence Authority Model High School Beachview was held at the DA SKBZ College Phase-VI. Controller of Examination Board of Secondary Education Karachi, Mr Noman Ahsan was the chief guest.

The chief guest highlighted the importance of co-curricular activities in student's life, he said these activities help to boost the confidence and polish the artistic skills of young learners.

He added that today's learner has the capability to fight the fear of unseen, specially in regard to assessing them through curricular. He reiterated that they have focused and are working to improve the way of examining students on international criteria to make them better learners.

He appreciated all the efforts made by the principal, teachers and students for making the programme successful.

Earlier the Principal Mrs Asma Siddiqui presented the annual report and highlighted the achievement of the school. She said that all out efforts were being made to develop optimum potential and talent of the students at the school.

The students later presented very interesting, delightful and colourful variety programmes, especially Urdu cultural programme "Umer Marvi" and famous English play "The Great Wall of China".

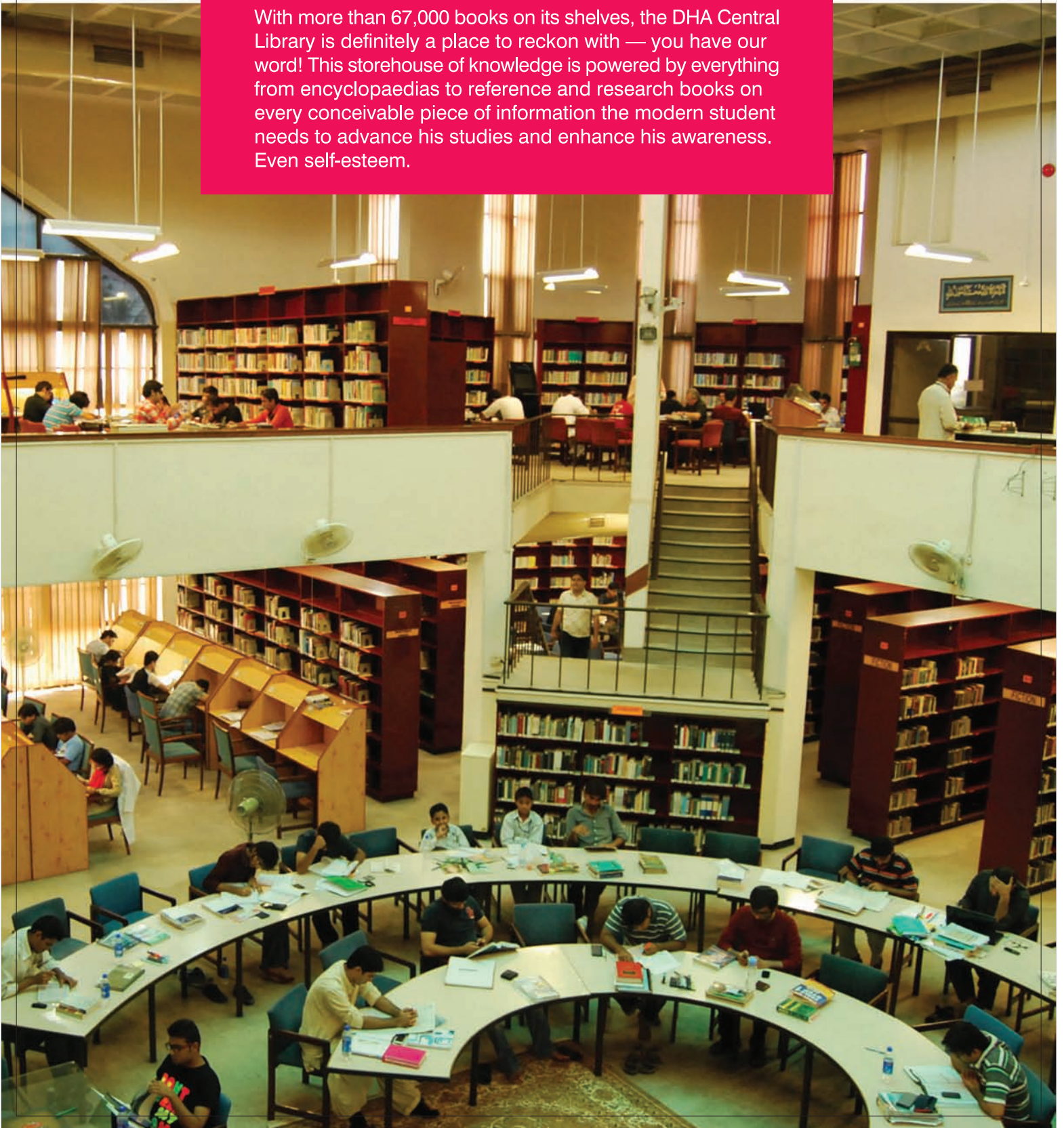
In the end the chief guest distributed prizes among the students who excelled in different fields.



Shelf-AWARENESS

DHA CENTRAL LIBRARY (DCL)

With more than 67,000 books on its shelves, the DHA Central Library is definitely a place to reckon with — you have our word! This storehouse of knowledge is powered by everything from encyclopaedias to reference and research books on every conceivable piece of information the modern student needs to advance his studies and enhance his awareness. Even self-esteem.





A modern yet modest learning environment, centrally air-conditioned for utmost comfort and peace of mind, the library located on Main Sunset Boulevard is thronged by students, researchers and youth appearing in different competitive examinations.

The most sought-after library of the metropolis, DCL, with fast Internet capabilities and state-of-the-art audiovisual facilities, also has a unique children's library. A number of language courses and literary, academic, and educational programmes are also regularly held in the library.

It's like having your own gigantic study room with all modern channels of learning at your disposal; quite versatile, quite voluminous, quite quiet; the kind you always wished for.

And should you like to park your mind for a while, there's a giant, beautiful Guljee mural in the background that catches your imagination, and urges your soul to surf effortlessly on the magical tidal flow of the colourful calligraphic masterpiece. O, the feeling is divine!

Psst! The password is — m-o-t-i-v-a-t-i-o-n.



The PLAY PLACE

DHA SPORTS CLUB (MOIN KHAN ACADEMY)

pool, a modern gymnasium and squ



SPORTING Spirit

SPORTS SPOTS IN DHA

The spirit of sports soars high in DHA with many an amateur and professional activity taking place round-the-clock round-the year. Like the Mini Olympic or the Open Golf Championship at professional level. The DHA Clubs and stadia are perpetually holding one or the other sports activities, like squash and snooker, etc. At DHA, it's always time to play...



Tournament in the stadium, it is also a venue for International T-20 Matches played by select teams from across the world.

It's no doubt the place to be in, to be in form.





TAMING Games

NEW FUTSAL PITCHES

A healthy body is the breeding ground for a healthy mind. And nothing is better than to provide them a healthy and safe space to grow.

Recently a newly constructed futsal pitch — a mini playground for football and other games to be played on a smaller arena — was inaugurated in a simple ceremony held at Khayaban-e-Hilal in DHA Phase-VI. DHA has recently constructed four futsal pitches in various phases of DHA to provide

safe and secure playing facilities to children of the area.

These futsal pitches are located at Khayaban-e-Hilal (near Lanes 6 & 7) DHA Phase-VI, Qasim Pumping Station, Khayaban-e-Hafiz in DHA Phase-VI, 16th Street near Creek Vistas in DHA Phase-VIII and another one near Hamza Mosque in DHA Phase-VIII.

DHA has constructed these futsal grounds to provide healthy recreational and sports facilities for children. The facility is open to the public and DHA is committed to providing the best recreational, sports and healthy facilities to its residents.





Good BUY

DHA SUNDAY BAZAAR

Say goodbye to the hassles of shopping and say hello to a good buy and great bargains. Sundays are fun days, so why stay home and chill when you can shop till you drop and enjoy the thrill at one of the biggest and the best organised Sunday Bazaars of the country.

Located in DHA Phase-VIII, here you can haggle over the best household items, grocery, crockery, books, clothes and all things big and small; whatever walk of life you come from.

Motley crowds of locals and foreigners alike test their bargaining skills here and the place is literally

a wonderland of wares. Pakistani handicraft from seasoned craftsmen and skilled artists are sold at a lesser price than you can buy them at malls or regular bazaars.

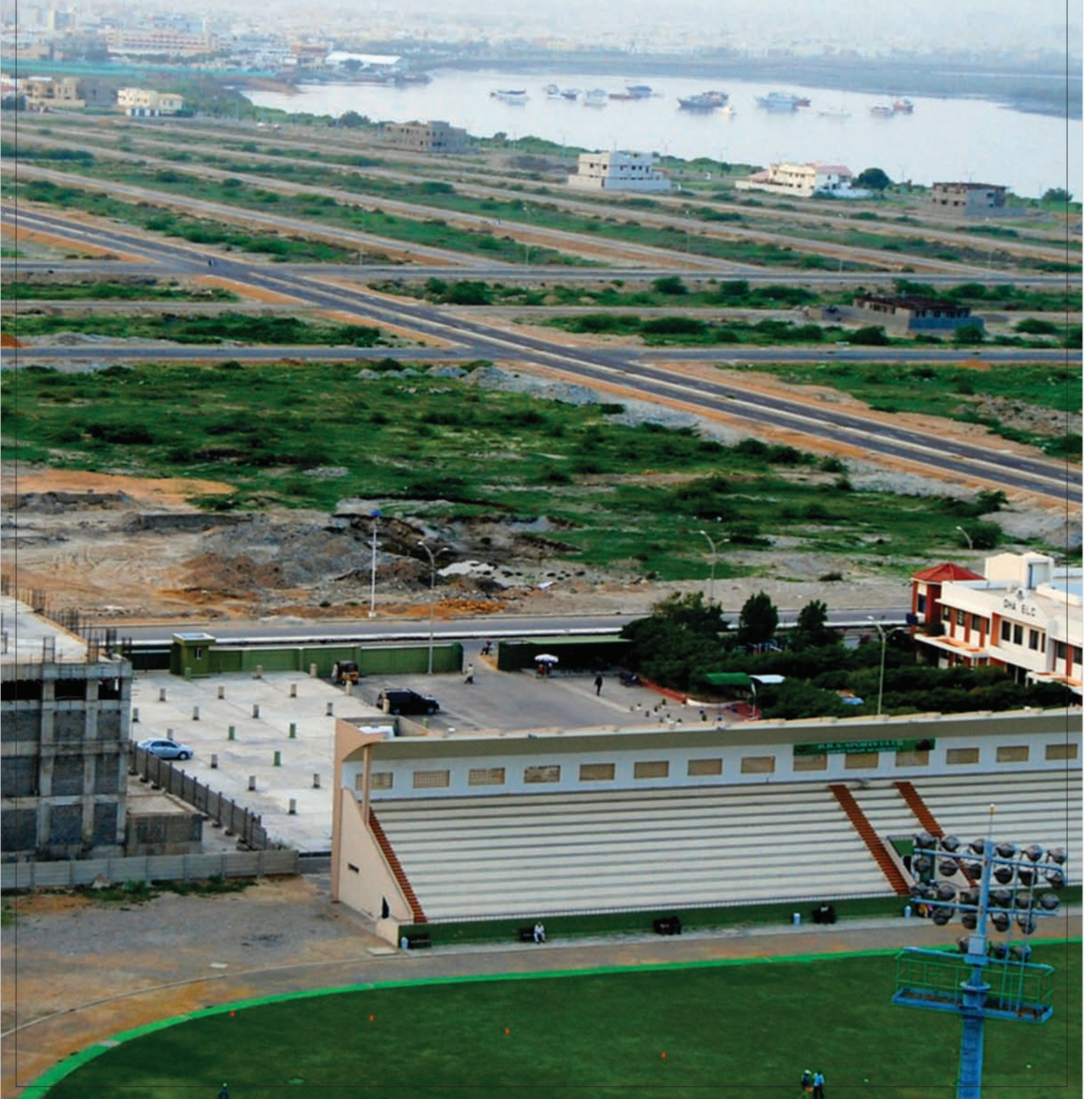
And the place also serves as a live social media platform because you never know which friend or family you may bump into.

Then there are deals on meals to add topping to your shopping. The Food Court in DHA Sunday Bazaar has nearly everything under one pavilion to satisfy different taste buds.



The **Better** HALF!

DHA PHASE-VIII



DHA Phase-VIII is the biggest and the largest sector of DHA that constitutes approximately 45 per cent of the entire covered area of DHA.

Some sectors of Phase-VIII are fully developed while simultaneous fast track infrastructure development of other sectors of Phase-VIII is being done as per the timelines set forth.



A couple of sectors have already been opened for construction and inhabited while two to three more sectors will be opened for construction of houses by the next year. The rest of the major works would also be completed in next 2-3 years.



If you wish to see Phase-VIII through the looking glass, come to the Creek Vistas—a garden style unique residential complex which provides all modern living facilities to residents in a peaceful and serene living environment.



BREAKING News

Ground Breaking of Infrastructure Development Works in Sector 'E' of DHA Phase-VIII



Above: Commander 5 Corps & President Executive Board DHA Lt Gen Sajjad Ghani unveiling the plaque at the ground-breaking of infrastructure development works in Sector 'E' of Phase VIII

Right: Dua being offered after the unveiling of the plaque



Commander 5 Corps & President Executive Board DHA Lt Gen Sajjad Ghani and Administrator DHA Karachi Brig Muhammad Abdullah at the project site in Sector 'E' of Phase VIII



A bulldozer marks the ground-breaking of infrastructure development works

FAST Forward

DEVELOPMENT

DHA Phase-VIII is spread over an area of 4,151 acres which is 50% of DHA. It constitutes a small peninsula land reclaimed before allotment of plots. Initial master plan for development of Phase-VIII was made some thirty years back. That plan was rudimentary in nature and there was a need to revisit it since advancement of tools and their way in modern day town planning have to be kept in mind. Thus redesigning was done in 2006.

A fresh master plan for infrastructure development of DHA Phase-VIII was accordingly prepared by Consultant M/s Osmani & Co in 2006 based on the development strategy which is being implemented in true letter and spirit.

There are six sectors in Phase-VIII (A to E and E8). In Sector A, B, C & E-8 development work is completed. This includes road carpeting, sewerage, water supply and electrical works including street lights. Sectors A & B are open for construction.



Sector Wise Development

Sector-A	100%
Sector-B	100% (Except provision of electric, gas & water supply)
Sector-C	100% (Except provision of electric, gas & water supply)
Sector-D	In progress
Sector-E8	100% (Except provision of electric, gas & water supply)
Sector-E	In progress

ONGOING PROJECTS

Sewerage Treatment Plant (STP)

This project includes Design, Build Operate and Maintenance of 2.4MGD Sewerage Treatment Plant. Construction works of STP was started on 07 May 2013 and is likely to be completed by 06 May 2014. Cost of the project is approximately 498M. The overall progress of the project is 50%



Infrastructure Development Works D-South

Infrastructure development works in Sector D-South includes Storm Water Drains, Roads and Road Furniture and Construction of Graveyard and a pumping station. Work of infrastructure development in Sector D-South commenced on 23 May 2013 and is likely to be completed on 22 Nov 2014. Cost of the project is 1592.82M. The overall progress of the project is 26%.



Infrastructure Development Works D-North

Infrastructure development works in Sector D-North includes Roads, Kerb Blocks, Sewerage System, Water Supply, Storm Water Drain, Utility Chambers and Pipe Sleeves. Work of infrastructure development in Sector D-South commenced on 23 May 2013 and is likely to be completed on 22 Nov 2014. Cost of the project is 1162.43M. The overall progress of the project is 57%.



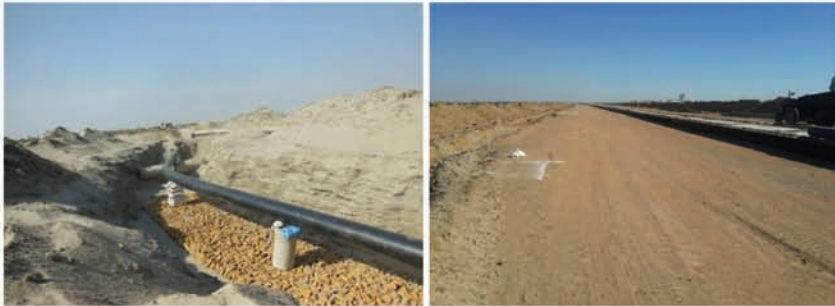
Business Zone

This project includes Roads, Pipe Sleeves, Utility Chambers, Storm Water Drain, Kerb Block, Sewerage System and Water Supply System. Infrastructure development works in Business Zone was started on 10 Apr 2013 and is likely to be completed on 09 May 2014. Cost of the project is approximately 291.47M. The overall progress of the project is 57%.



Defence Avenue (RD-16)

This project includes Roads, Pipe Sleeves, Utility Chambers, Storm Water Drain, Kerb Block, Sewerage System and Water Supply System. Infrastructure development works in Defence Avenue was started on 10 Apr 2013 and is likely to be completed on 09 May 2014. Cost of the project is approximately 296M. The overall progress of the project is 58%.



New Milestones

In Jan 2014 development work under two new projects has commenced which includes Sector-E (South), inaugurated by Commander 5 Corps Lt Gen Sajjad Ghani, HI (M) on 20 Jan 2014 and Sector-E (North) was inaugurated by Administrator DHA, Brig Muhammad Abdullah on 03 Feb 2014. The works are in their initial stage.



Conclusion

Infrastructural development works in DHA Phase-VIII are being done on fast track basis and as per the timelines set forth. All major development works are planned to be completed in next 1-2 years.

FORWARD March

Ground Breaking of Infrastructure Development Work in Sector “E” Phase-VIII DHA



Above: Administrator DHA Brig Muhammad Abdullah unveiling the plaque at the ground breaking ceremony of infrastructure development work in Sector “E” of Phase-VIII DHA.



Left: A view of the newly constructed road that leads to the developing areas of Phase-VIII, marked by a signboard that talks about construction being carried out by the FWO.

Facing Page Top: Dua being offered after the unveiling of the plaque to mark the ground breaking ceremony held at the project site.

Facing Page Below: Brig Maqsood Ahmed, Commander Engineering Group (FWO) explaining the salient features of the project to the Administrator DHA, seated along with other top officials.



And if you think you've seen it all, watch the next phase.





HEALTHY Priorities

DHA MEDICAL CENTRE

Safe and clean environment is a byproduct of a healthy mindset, and DHA is fully aware of its responsibilities as a health-conscious corporate citizen.

The DHA Medical Centre stands testimony to that. Geared to take on emergencies 24 hours and prepared to tackle any major ailment, trauma or disease, the centre has consultancy clinics, collection unit for samples, x-ray and ultrasound facilities, ambulance service, ECG, outpatient procedure department (OPD), nebulisation and spirometry facilities for lungs and respiratory diseases, elevator and wheelchair services for non-ambulatory patients, consultancy by appointment and nurses both male and female for professional care and recuperation.



Modelling **the Future**

DHA CITY KARACHI (DCK) PROJECT



DCK Directorate



If you live in the **future**, you'll never worry about **tomorrow.**

Welcome to tomorrow's world today.
Come to DHA City Karachi (DCK) — a prestigious
project of DHA on the Super Highway.



View of the under-construction DCK Entrance Gate

Smart Living Modern Thinking

DHA CITY KARACHI

BY BRIG (RETD) MUHAMMAD RAFIQUE
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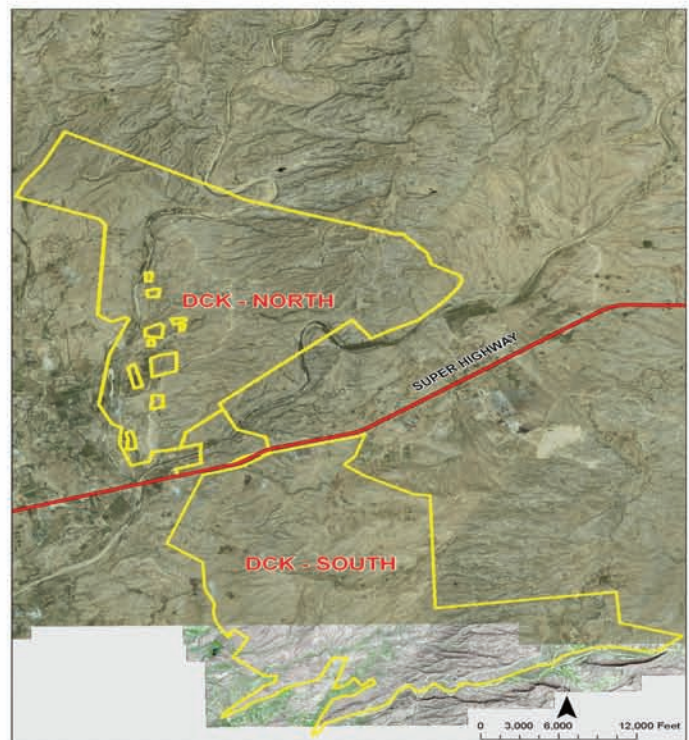
DHA City Karachi was conceived to become Pakistan's first green sustainable and smart city with contemporary architecture coupled with sublime infrastructure having state-of-the-art modern hi-tech facilities. The master planning for the City began in 2011 and in about a year's time it was completed.

Execution started in 2012. The meticulous master plan of the area includes residential, commercial & recreational facilities. The whole master plan approach for this new city of roughly 11,640 acres is focused on Sustainable Design Principles. The plans utilise the planning principles behind the Ekistics theory presented by the legendary planner Mr. Constantinos Doxiadis.

This theory promotes the concept of mixed use residential sectors by creating multiple centres within them spreading facilities such as commerce, amenities and parks throughout these areas.

DCK has a dedicated healthcare and higher education institutes, theme parks, a convention centre, informal and formal sports with recreational facilities and resorts, restaurants along with all essential neighbourhood facilities. At the core of the new city lies the City Gateway and Downtown district. Due considerations have been given to the distribution of land uses within this area in order to provide a vital economic and cultural heart that will support the city as it grows.

The master plan is completed through an extraordinary exercise involving more than 100 national and international experts using latest international standards and GIS technology. DCK will be the first Sustainable City in Pakistan, and will bring both DCK and Pakistan on the international map of sustainable cities development. The master plan encounters community centres, gateway district, downtown business zones, downtown market, education zone, golf club resort, Lake View Park, wind and solar energy parks, sports centre and facilities, and theme park.



The principle behind the master plan is a group of self-sustaining cities within a city, with all community amenities accessible to every resident within a 10-minute walk. The business district will be provided with a car-free pedestrian walkway with greenery on both sides, garden courtyards, water features and piazzas. This is aimed at promoting the public movement and interaction to improve the quality of life in the business district. This will increase communication between employees, visitors and residents. An efficient public transportation system will help to support this. The City is further divided into 16 sectors, each sector having its own blend of self-sustaining mixed land use. Each sector is laced with latest hi-tech information and communication system with a fool proof localised security and surveillance system. The City is also designed to have its own health care facilities, a central business district, golf course and international standard theme parks.

The downtown zone provides an immense opportunity for business sector. It encounters city gateway with an area of 306 acres, culture and art sub-district with an area of 49 acres, education sub-district and central business sub-district with an area of 103 acres each, central market sub-district with an area of 96 acres and mixed use sub-district with an area of 101 acres. State-of-the-art structures have been developed for colleges, universities and expo-centres.

Properly planned water and sewerage systems are laid down in the city. For energy production conventional and renewable energy technology is used such as wind and solar energy. A well planned smart system is developed to provide excellent ICT facilities to the community which involves TV, Wi-Fi, mobile networks, digital security, high speed Internet, smart metering, gaming facilities and video streaming for infotainment and entertainment.

DHA City Karachi will come out as a mega project which will set a new benchmark in the history of Pakistan. It will be a source of immense business for the metropolitan city of Pakistan which is Karachi. The DHA City plan encounters assortments of recreational facilities such as Theme Park, Golf Course, Cultural Zone, Healthcare City, University Zone in downtown and facilities such as expo-centre. Establishment of theme park will be a major generator of jobs and shall bring continuous stream of visitors to DCK. DCK theme park shall act as an enticement for people from far off. Health care zone is the prime need of any community. DCK offers a very well-intended health care zone for the community which includes state-of-the-art mega hospitals, medical universities with contemporary facilities of international standards. The health care zone will be having Geriatric Care Unit, Children Cancer Centre, University of Health Sciences, Forensic Centre, Teaching University Hospital Accommodation, Central Community Mosque, College of Nursery and Paramedics and Parking facilities.

Culture and Education are the piers of any society. DHA City Karachi takes the liability of these major piers as its prime objective. It provides educational facilities which are developed for the community within the city providing them with institutions with outstanding educational repute. SUFFA University and Cadet College are the examples of this. Proper allocation of land is kept for future institutes, research centres and universities. Dealing with cultural neighbourhood DCK provides community centres, golf course and a cultural zone which will maintain an aura of eastern culture. DCK will be a masterpiece of excellent planned city. It will be a source of inspiration for foreign investors in Pakistan. It will create a charm for development sector. DCK will truly prove to be an epitome of mega city in Pakistan.



Structures of the under-construction buildings at the DCK site





Roads network at DCK site under construction



Bridge construction work under way in Sector 3 at DHA City Karachi



Development work under way in Sector 7 at DHA City Karachi



Development work under way in Sector 5 at DHA City Karachi



Pipe Factory at DHA City Karachi

REEL LIFE Experiences

NEUPLEX CINEMA COMPLEX





The Neuplex in Defence Housing Authority Phase VIII claims to house the biggest cinema screens in the country.

Located in an entertainment centre, called “The Place” in Khayaban-e-Shaheen, the complex has five theatre halls – Cinema 1 has 270 seats, Cinema 2 has 360 seats, Cinema 3 has 275 seats, Cinema 4 has 148 seats and Cinema 5, which is a luxury theatre hall, has 48 seats.

All five halls support 3D projection. The screens in Nueplex range from 50 to 60 feet and are the first one-piece silver screens of this size ever installed in Pakistan, all spread edge to edge.

Technically speaking, everything down to the



viewing angle and decibel level of the seats in Nueplex is calculated to the last detail.

The complex has ample parking space, best franchises in town in terms of food and the best audio and visual experience along with a wide selection of films that the audience love to watch. As things go, The Place is “the place” to be in, where you may find all sorts of family entertainment plans for members of all ages.

A medium-sized car racing track for children which is safe and fun to negotiate their speeding formula car miniature models, a beautiful merry-go-round for kids to “horse around” and a towering “drop” that will let you fall to ground zero in seconds even before you can catch your breath!



Storm water drain construction work under way at DHA City Karachi

Two wind-masts have also been installed at DCK for recording the wind data to be utilised for generation of renewable wind energy. Planning for development of solar energy and independent power generation is also afoot, with a view to making DCK self-sufficient in energy requirements. There is abundance of high-quality underground water to meet DCK's water needs.

The local community also benefits with the mega-

project as a number of social sector uplift projects have also been concurrently taken up. In Kot Allahdad a dispensary, a school, a mosque and a community centre have been refurbished and uplifted by the DCK team.

DHA doctors provide free medical facilities along with medicines thrice a week to the area residents. Many local people have been given employment in the DCK project.

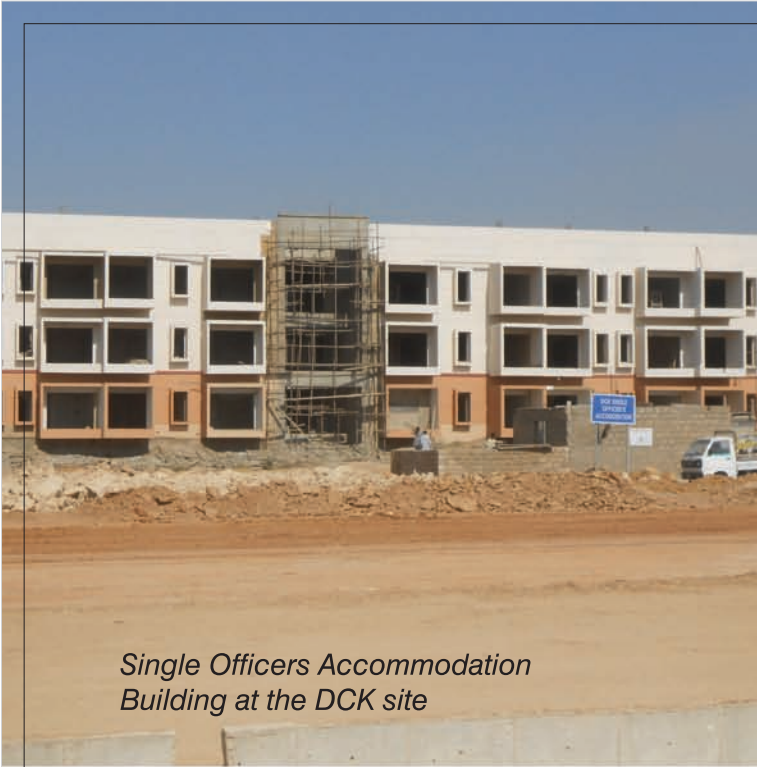


Construction work under way in Sector 5 at DHA City Karachi



A view of DCK Directorate Building under construction at DHA City Karachi





Single Officers Accommodation Building at the DCK site



Central Facility Building at the DCK site

The DCK project is being evaluated at the Harvard University in the USA for inclusion in international rating calendar which would lure international investors and organisations, and give a tremendous boost to the speedy development of the project.

The enthusiasm and professional dedication with which the development work in this area is in progress suggests that DCK would soon emerge as the best and the biggest residential area of the region.

[Come to think of what the future holds for you. You'll come to know what makes the past an obsolete place.](#)



Staff Accommodation Building at the DCK site



Officers Apartments at the DCK site



Initiation of ICT Works

1st SMART CITY OF PAKISTAN



Brig (R) Muhammad Rafique, Project Director DCK and Abdul Rehman Durwaish, Director PTCL signing a contract at the DHA Main Office, for initiation of ICT Works towards making DHA City Karachi as the first Smart City of Pakistan.

SMART Future

Integrated Communication Technology

With a view to making the DHA City Karachi (DCK) the first Smart City of Pakistan, DHA and PTCL signed a contract for initiation of Integrated Communication Technology (ICT) works at DHA Main Office.

The new ICT networks and technologies present a huge opportunity in terms of making DCK more sustainable through providing real-time information to the residents, stakeholders and service operators.

At DCK, an infrastructure, capable of meeting

higher bandwidth requirements of future Smart City would be laid. The roadmap for ICT is based on Optical Fibre with higher availability of wireless applications like 3G and LTE.

The ICT infrastructure will also be used for management of urban requirements of Smart City like surveillance, disaster management and e-governance, etc.

With this, DCK is poised to become a Smart City with a Smart Future.

MOVING Forward

Commander 5 Corps & DHA Administrator Visit DCK Site



Above & Left: Commander 5 Corps and President Executive Board DHA Lt Gen Sajjad Ghani HI(M) along with Administrator DHA Brig Muhammad Abdullah at the DHA City Karachi (DCK) project site, being briefed on the salient features of the project and the ongoing infrastructure development work carried out by FWO and NLC.

Facing Page: Project Director DCK, Brig Muhammad Rafique acquainted the high profile visitors with the details of the ongoing development work at each site, informing them that the development projects initiated under the Immediate Action Plan were near completion while the infrastructure development work including major road works have been started in different sectors to make DCK livable by 2015-16. Project Consultant, Engineer Arif Osmani also briefed the Corps Commander on the project.





All You Can SEA

SEAVIEW

The last frontier of DHA in Phase-VIII greets the Seaview with warm, open arms. It is the most fascinating recreational and entertainment spot for the citizens of Karachi. The 14-km beach is aesthetically vibrant as far as you can see, and the neat and clean environment allows visitors to enjoy the beauty and the bounty of the majestic sea and its coastal front.

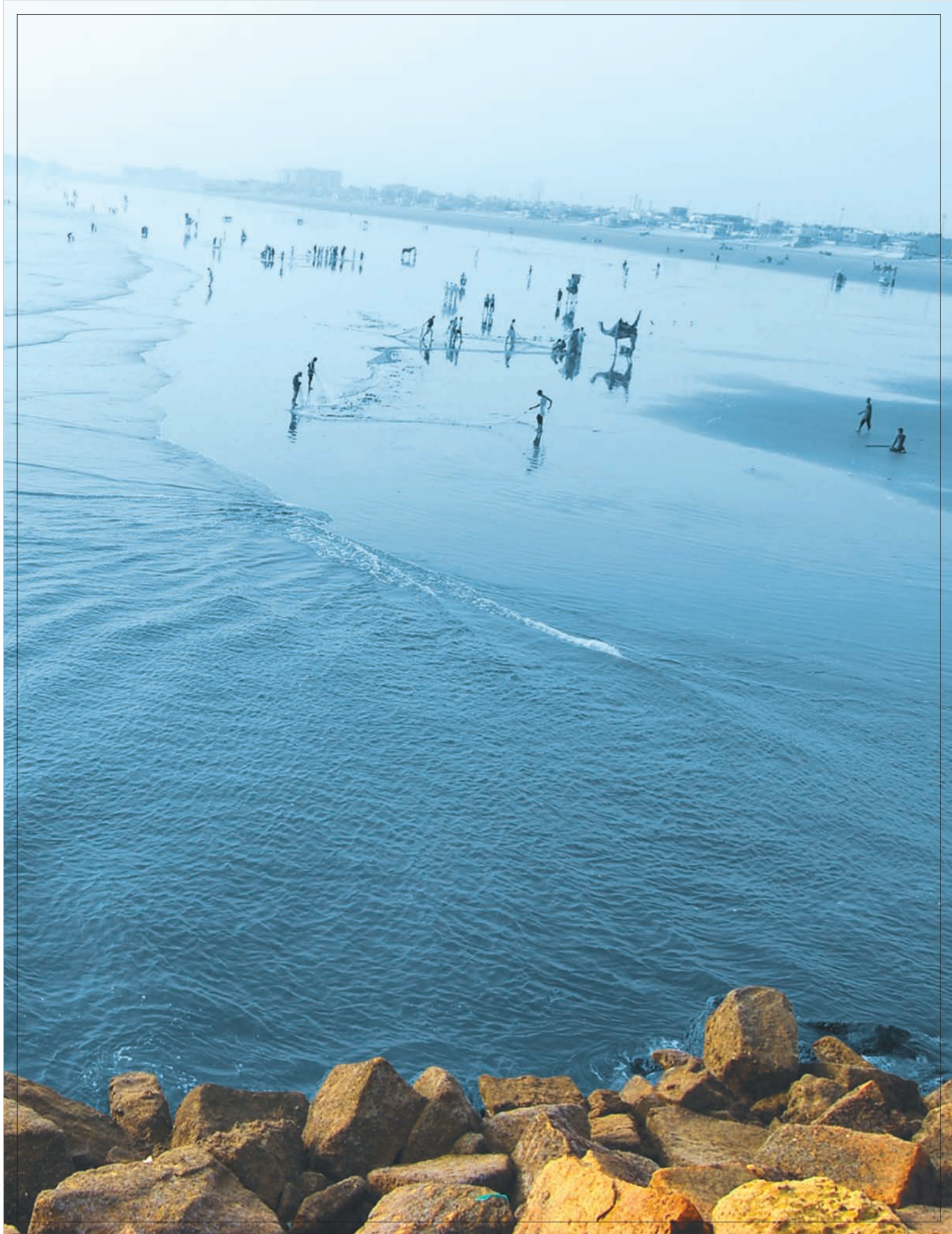
Karachi's tour is never complete without visiting the sea. You'll never find a day going by without a teeming crowd peppering the wet sands. And

public holidays shout out loud that there is always life at the beach.

Big and small restaurants and eateries sprouting up along the coastline as if to inform you that you will always have the appetite for more.

You must also see the beach in the moonlight, or maybe without it under the giant spotlights that chase the shimmering water to a point of no return.

Well... almost!



STATE-OF-THE-ART Digital Infrastructure

ICT Initiatives



Use of technologies in today's world is reshaping businesses, lives of nations and peoples. In order to remain adept with the advancing world and contribute as a net-centric organisation, DHA Karachi has undertaken a number of ICT initiatives focusing on a paradigm shift in its existing processes; making them smarter, more efficient and customer-oriented.

The major milestones achieved during past one year include development of state-of-the-art database management systems using latest technology, business specific applications software along with automation of routine office functions. Data security with quick response time is the hallmark of all these milestones.

Various achievements and projects include:

DHA Website

In order to facilitate DHA Karachi members and general public, a dynamic and informative website accessible at has been made available. The website provides information to DCK members regarding their plot numbers with payment details, various DHA Projects, Services, Job Opportunities, Tenders and Press Releases which are published from time to time. The website can be accessed 24/7.

eBallot System

An eBallot System has been developed to bring in transparency and visibility in plots ballot. The eBallot System has successfully gone through a major balloting event on 23 April 2013 for DHA City plot owners.

Database Management & Information Security

Following best practices, comprehensive security parameters have been implemented to safeguard and maintain the sanctity of data. The security parameters have been built into the system to allow only the authorised users to access required information. Also the properties database has been upgraded to latest technology with enhanced security and quick response time. This is being monitored and upgraded on regular basis.

Business Specific Applications

The processes of key business areas have been reengineered to make them smarter, more efficient and paperless. Focus has been on removing redundancy, avoiding time delays and physical file movement.

In order to achieve this, applications software have been developed to automate Transfer & Record (T&R), Town Planning & Building Control (TP&BC), Financials and Office Correspondence functions.

Document Archiving

All key documents in each property file have been digitised and made available to the authorised users within DHA Network. This has reduced time and restricted physical movement of file during verification / scrutiny of properties. Archiving is a continuous activity and for this purpose a Digital Archiving Centre is being established.

Automated SMS / Email Service

DHA Karachi has deployed automated bulk SMS / email service to keep its members informed / updated regularly regarding their properties.

ICT Infrastructure

DHA Karachi is in the process of upgrading its ICT infrastructure in line with the best practices being followed in the world. The ICT infrastructure will include the state-of-the-art datacentre, networks and communication infrastructure that will also bring all auxiliary setups and CCTV Surveillance system in its ambit.

Solving complex ICT tasks, DHA experts follow best practices of the world



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