

Mohammed visits Cityscape Global 2011

UAE Vice President, Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum visited Cityscape Global 2011 today.

Over 150 local, regional and international real estate firms are showcasing their latest projects and services at the exhibition, currently underway at the Dubai World Trade Centre (DWTC). Accompanied by Dubai Crown Prince Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Dubai Deputy Ruler Sheikh Maktoum bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum and the visiting Minister of Royal Court in Bahrain Sheikh Khalid bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, Sheikh Mohammed visited exhibitors' stands where he was briefed about a number of property development promising projects. Sheikh Mohammed began his tour with a visit to the Dubai Municipality's stand before visiting Dubai World Central's pavilion where he was briefed about its latest giant projects being implemented in Dubai Aviation City at Jebel Ali.

Meeting a Chinese delegation in the presence of the Chinese ambassador to the UAE, at Meraas' stand, Sheikh Mohammed was briefed by the Chairman of Meraas Holding, engineer Abdullah Ahmad Al Habbai on the huge "phoenix" project the company is implementing near the existing Chinese Dragon in conjunction with China Longines investment Company. The Dh2 billion project, which covers an area of 8 million square feet, will house a five star hotel and a number of service and recreational facilities. Sheikh Mohammed expressed admiration to the project which he considered a good step forward for expanding mutual investment between the two countries' private sectors.

Praising the project, Sheikh Mohammed said to the Chinese delegation that the "Phoenix" will be China's gate to the markets of the region, speaking positively of China and its strong friendly ties with the UAE and cooperation in terms of trade, tourism, culture and investment.

Sheikh Mohammed also stopped at Emaar's stand where he learnt about the various projects the company is implementing in a number of countries.

At Nakheel pavilion, Sheikh Mohammed was briefed by Chairman Ali Rashid Lootah about Nakheel's projects at Palm Jumeirah and other areas in Dubai.

Sheikh Mohammed also familiarized himself with other projects, including the Dragon expansion, Furjan and Jumeirah Village.

Before concluding his visit, Sheikh Mohammed stopped at several Government pavilions, including the Dubai Land Department's stand where he was briefed about the Dubai Real Estate Institute (DREI) tasked with offering comprehensive and professional development programs on real estate with a focus on the UAE property market. Sheikh Mohammed lauded the project and wished it success.

Also accompanying Sheikh Mohammed in his tour were Chairman of Dubai Culture and Arts Authority Sheikh Majid bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Sheikh Saeed bin Maktoum bin Juma Al Maktoum, Director of Dubai Ruler's Court Mohammed Ibrahim Al Shebani, Dubai Director of Protocol and Hospitality Khalifa Saeed Suleiman and Chairman of Dubai World Trade Centre (DWTC) Hilal Al Marri.