

PDO opens two water treatment plants in Dhofar

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MUSCAT: Petroleum Development Oman (PDO) recently opened two PDO-funded reverse-osmosis water treatment plants at Dahboon and Barbazom in Dhofar region.

A special ceremony was held under the auspices of Sheikh Amor bin Salim Kashoob, wali of Thumrait, and attended by local dignitaries and senior company officials.

The construction of the new plants, which will provide clean water to people living in Dahboon and Barbazom regions, was funded under the sustainable development budget of PDO's enhanced oil recovery (EOR) project at Harweel, located close to the two villages. This is part of the company's social programme.

This project symbolises the social commitment of the company. The objective of this initiative is to eliminate the need for trucked supplies to the villages and surrounding area.

Suleiman Al Tobi, PDO's engineering and operations director, commented that "The opening of the two plants coincides with the Sultanate's 40th National Day celebrations and comes to further exemplify PDO's support to the long term objectives of Oman's modern renaissance to achieve a sustainable future for the country and the Omani society at large."

Community links

In his opening remarks, PDO's External Affairs and Communications Manager, Suleiman bin Mohammed Al Mantheri explained PDO's policy to work closely with the communities in its area of operations.

Al Mantheri pointed to examples of 'Social Investment' projects recently sponsored by PDO in wilayats such as the Thumrait Veterinary Clinic, the Emergency and Accidents Unit at the Thumrait Health Centre, and the Dahboon Craft Centre.

He appreciated the support and cooperation extended by the office of the Minister of State and Governor of Dhofar, the wali and local officials during the implementation of these projects.