

## MEDIA RELEASE:

# JAFZA BREAKS GROUND AT NEW LOGISTICS PARK

**Dubai, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2022** – Jebel Ali Free Zone (Jafza), DP World's leading trade and logistics hub, held a ground-breaking ceremony for the first phase of its new "Jafza Logistics Park", which is scheduled for completion in 2023.

The purpose-built trading and logistics development, will accommodate the growing number of warehousing, processing and logistics activities carried out in Dubai.

The ground-breaking was attended by Abdulla Bin Damithan, CEO and Managing Director, DP World UAE and Jafza, as well as the company's leadership team.

Jafza Logistics Park will reinforce the success of the logistics cluster in Jafza, which has already grown by 14% since 2016. The project covers a total leasable area of over 46,000 square meters, of which 87% will be allocated to warehousing. The remaining space is dedicated to office facilities.

**Abdulla Bin Damithan, CEO and Managing Director, DP World UAE and Jafza** said: "We recognise the critical role the logistics sector plays in enabling the growth of various industries around the globe. Jafza is aligned with key government initiatives, such as the Dubai Silk Road strategy, to boost economic growth. As the UAE continues to grow into a global processing and re-distribution gateway, we have experienced a significant spike in demand for the logistics and warehousing space. We are building the Jafza Logistics Park in response to this increase in demand and to further boost the development of the UAE's logistics sector". Bin Damithan added: "Logistics companies in e-commerce and similar growing segments can benefit from the Park's modern offerings, including digital trade enablement, competitive costs, and customisable units. We are in discussions with a number of large customers that need 60% to 80% of the space and may need to commission phase two ahead of schedule".

### **Flexible logistics offerings**

Currently, Jafza's logistics cluster is home to over 460 companies from 30 countries, almost all international logistics providers which already operate from the free zone. Jafza Logistics Park will support their growth aspirations and attract new players seeking to establish themselves in the market. The smallest unit will be just under 2,900 square meters, including 360 square metres of mezzanine office space. Customers will also be allowed to consolidate multiple units to meet their space requirements.

Jafza Logistics Park businesses will also leverage DP World's integrated end-to-end logistics solutions and expertise as a data-driven supply chain logistics provider. The Park's ideal location between Jebel Ali Port, the region's largest deep-sea port, Al Maktoum International Airport, Dubai's airport of the future, and Etihad Rail's Jebel Ali station will facilitate efficient and seamless flow of goods within the region and across the world.

