## **About Hamriyah**

Hamriyah Free Zone Authority was established by an Emiri decree issued in November 12, 1995. It is located in Sharjah, United Arab Emirates, which gives the Free Zone a unique geographic and time zone advantage backed by a secure and fully convertible currency and a multi-access to neighboring and global countries through land, sea and air. Hamriyah Free Zone is fast becoming one of the cornerstones of the United Arab Emirates industrial development. As the Next Generation Free Zone, Hamriyah Free Zone is ensuring that its management is flexible and dynamic besides being an investor oriented Free Zone.

Hamriyah Free Zone is challenged to provide competitive incentives and unique opportunities to establish a business in a tax free environment, full company ownership, exemptions from all commercial levies and repatriation of capital and profits. The Free Zone manages an area of approximately twenty two million square meters of prime industrial and commercial land and a 14 meter deep water port which includes room for expansion.







## **About the Book**

Hamriyah Free Zone is an exceptional example of an organization which pursues the goal of sustainability as the culmination of social, economic and environmentally sound business practices which are driven by dedicated faith in the value of serving society at large. These efforts have been led by a visionary leader, Dr. Rashid Alleem.

In this book 'My Green Journey in Hamriyah', Dr. Rashid Alleem recounts his experiences of transforming a barren desert into a World Class Economic Zone. He narrates the early days of his struggle, the challenges he faced in due course, how the challenges were overcome, the incidents that affirmed his faith in the ultimate vision, satisfaction of building a team, and finally the taste of success which has only propelled him to dream further of positioning Hamriyah as a global leader among Free Zones.

It is hoped that budding entrepreneurs, investors, decision makers, business leaders and anyone interested in creating a green business, corporate sustainability and sustainable development will draw inspiration from this book.





## GREEN JOURNEY HAMRIYAH



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## **About the Author**



Dr. Rashid Alleem is widely considered a visionary and thought leader in business, socio-economic, academic and cultural endeavours. As Director General, Department of Seaports and Customs and Free Zones Authority, Sharjah (Hamriyah Free Zone Authority, Sharjah Airport International Free Zone Authority), he is the driving force in transforming them into a strategic commerce hub and empowering thousands of businesses in the region, contributing to the development of the UAE economy.

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