## Advantages of Investing in Chabahar Free Zone

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[accordion title name=a1]Special advantages of Chabahar Free Zone[/accordion title]

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- Strategic geographic location along the international waterways and close to international shipping lines
  - The only commercial oceanic port outside the Strait of Hormuz •
- Eastern Iran Corridor Connection Point (North-West Corridor) to Free Waters and connection of landlocked countries CIS
  - The nearest port to the markets of Central Asia and Afghanistan
    - Easy access to fossil fuels in the Middle East and Central Asia •
  - Easy access to construction materials and mines in Sistan and Baluchestan province
    - Easy access to various minerals in eastern Iran •
    - The multimodal transport connections by air, land and sea
      - Long-term lease and sale facilities for foreign investors •
  - (Located in the safest and closest rout to the global markets (the Indian subcontinent
    - Proximity to the countries with growing population in South Asia •
- Located in the only Iranian oceanic port (Chabahar) with immediate access to the mainland of Iran
  - Proximity to the world's largest energy resources in the Persian Gulf •

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[accordion\_title name=a2]Facilities and Legal Advantages[/accordion\_title]

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- Possibility to own %100 of shares of foreign companies •
- Granting Guarantee for foreign investments according to Foreign Investment Promotion And Protection Act
- The possibility of unlimited investment for both Iranian and foreign citizens and %100 capital and profit repatriation
  - income and corporate tax exemption for 20 years %100 •

- Duty exemption for importing of raw materials and machineries for manufacturing units and construction purposes
- Exemption of exporting Free Zone-made goods to foreign markets from general BXIM regulations
- Duty exemption of exporting Free Zone-made goods to mainland to the extent of value added caused by utilization of domestic production factors
- Possibility to export products produced from foreign raw materials to the amount authorized by the value added commission
  - Ability to use foreign labor force up to %10 of the total workforce in Chabahar Free Zone
    - Flexible labor regulations •
- Unloading, loading, transit and transshipment of merchandisesabroad is permitted and it is free from all kinds of taxes and duties, only warehousing and local charges shall be collected
  - Retail sales allowed •
  - Establish private or foreign banks and insurance or their branches
    - Six-month extendable residential visa for foreign investors •
- The possibility of establishing bank and domestic and international insurance or their branches
- Visa issuance at airport through the representative of Ministry of Foreign Affairs with prior request
- Possibility to exploit land in projects without paying the land price, long-term lease or participation in projects, as well as the possibility of transferring to companies registered in Iran

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accordion\_title name=a3]Port advantages and facilities in Chabahar port and Free]

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- Discount on the storage cost for containers that are commercially imported into the free zone
- Discount on the cost of port facilities for containers that are transported offshore to the free zone
- Discount on the storage cost of export goods that are imported into the Free Zone
- Discount on carriage from the origin up to %10 of the CIF value of the goods
- Discount on agency and after sales services up to %10 of the CIF value of the goods
- Tax exemption for 10 years from the date of operation for all economic activities
- Exemption from storage costs in Chabahar for three months for commercial goods
- Providing value added facilities for importing goods to mainland by Chabahar Free Zone
- Providing facilities for difference of shipping costs

- The issuance of certificate of origin approved by the customs authorities of the country
- Issuance of the negotiable warehouse receipt and the separated warehouse receipt approved by the customs of the country by the organization
- Not being abandoned of goods in the warehouses of Chabahar Free Zone [/accordion]

accordion\_title name=a4]Future opportunities in Chabahar Port & Chabahar Free]

[Zone[/accordion title

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- Developing Chabahar Free Zone into a major transit hub within the framework of Eastern Axis and Makoran Coastal Development Plans
  - Connection to the national rail network •
- Connection to national grid network and capacity to connect to national gas network (in near (future
- The possibility of building downstream industries following the emergence of heavy industry including petrochemical, steel, and automotive industries
  - Construction of the international airport •
  - (....Construction of specialized towns (including fisheries, aquaculture, dates, food industries
    - Fishery and aquaculture industry hub •
- The possibility of developing the country's only oceanic port with an annual capacity of 8.5 (eight and a half) million and up to higher capacities and the possibility of landing of ships with a capacity of 100 thousand tons
  - The possibility of investing in automotive hub with an export-oriented outlook •

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accordion\_title name=a5]The relative advantages and investment opportunities in the Chabahar]

[Free Zone[/accordion\_title]

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Investment Opportunities

User Industries

Energy industries, energy storage & its tranship

Consumer industries, service support & international transport

Relative / Competitive Advantages

Cheap labor

Closeness to energy resources & its consumer markets in India, China &

Pakistan

Closeness to growing markets in Central

Asia &

Afghanistan, Middle East & South Asia

Ship Building & Repair Closeness to international shipping lines Access to abundant sources of fish in Oman Fisheries industries Sea & Indian Ocean Export-oriented manufacturing industries such as Assembly of automobiles & electronic Tax, export & import incentives equipments Establishment of processing industries for Close access to some agricultural products agricultural products like palm Access to some types of minerals such as Mineral processing industries limestone & granite in the neighboring areas Close access to beach & retail shops Tourism Industry Infrastructure industries Infrastructure Requirements Establishment of universities & vocational Training Requirements centers Establishment of service industries like international financial services, professional

consulting services

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Service Requirements

