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Egyptian Maritime Transport in Numbers until the end of 2019

- Total number of Egyptian seaports: 48 ports : 15 commercial, 33 specialized.
- Total number of seaports on the Mediterranean: 15 (6 commercial, 9 specialized).
- Total number of sea ports on the Red Sea: 33 ports: 9 commercial, 24 specialized.
- Total lengths of the Egyptian coast: about 3000 km (Mediterranean Sea 1000 km, Red Sea 2000 km).
- Total number of berths is: 197 Berth, with a total length of approximately 37.5 km.
- Maximum depth of navigational channels is: El Dekheila, East Port Said, Sokhna; 20, 19 and 17 m, respectively.
- Total storage space is 6.5,000,000 m3.
- Total number of the national commercial fleet operational vessels (including service vessels) until the end of 2019: (117) with a total tonnage of 901,000 tons GRT, divided into (51) cargo transport vessels (37 international, 14 coastal) with a total tonnage of 793,000 tons GRT, 66 services vessels with a total tonnage of 108,000 tons GRT.
- Average total cargo transported annually on Egyptian vessels is 8%.
- Total maritime passports valid until the end of 2019 :33,706 passports.
- Average total vessels calling annually at Egyptian seaports is approximately 14,000 vessels.
- Average total TEUs annually handled is approximately 7,000,000 (TEUs).
- Average annual total cargo turnover is around 160, 000,000 tons.
- Average annual total number of passengers is about 700,000 passengers.
- Average total annual direct revenue (for Port Authorities affiliated to the Ministry of Transport) is about 1300, 000, 000 (Thirteen Billion EGP).
- Average total annually imported strategic commodities about 27,000,000 tons divided into (wheat 11, corn 9, sugar 0.6, coal 6).
- Total number of workers in the sector and marine organizations affiliated to the Ministry of Transport is about 8,200 workers.
- Total grants and external training (2 trainees in India, China - from the Maritime Transport Sector and Alexandria Port Authority).

In the field of Maritime Legislation

- Minister of Transport Decrees No. 416 /2019 amending some provisions of Minister of Transport Decree No. 488 / 2015, and No. 417 / 2019 amending some provisions of Minister of Transport Decree No. 800 / 2016 regarding incentives and facilities to fortify maritime transport activity in Egyptian ports to achieve stability in the maritime community. (These Decrees were published in the Egyptian official gazette, issue (162), cont. on 18/7/2019).
- A new package of facilities has been granted to ship-owners, dredgers and floating docks through the issuance of Ministerial Decree No. 598 / 2019 regarding the amendment of some provisions of Ministerial Decree No. 287/2011 on the matter of inspection of the hull of the vessel, with the aim of facilitating the work of inspecting vessels and passenger and excursion boats in order to fulfill the provisions of The International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) 1974 and its 1988 protocol (issued on 6/9/2019)
- The first database of the Egyptian maritime legislations and the related international conventions was founded and made available free of charge on the Internet through the official website of the Maritime Transport Sector. The service was made publicly available on 28/9/2019 to coincide with the celebration of the International Maritime Day, and it includes the package of the ruling maritime legislation that organizes the operation of Egyptian Maritime Transport with the aim of facilitating reference and accessibility, and to provide excellent assistance to decision makers and to all interested parties in the Egyptian maritime transport industry.

Performance Indicators during the years (2018, 2019)

Item	2018	2019	Variation Rate%
Total vessel voyages (vessel)	13,949	14,027	1%
Total passenger ship voyages (ship / yacht)	1875	1794	-4%
Total number of passengers (1000 passengers)	721	676	-6%
Total handled cargo (1000,000 tons)	157.2	171.2	9%
Total handed imported cargo (1000,000 tons)	83	81	-2%
Total handed exported cargo (1000,000 tons)	42	52	24%
Total handled transit cargo (1000,000 tons)	33	38	15%
Total container handling (1000,000 TEUs)	6.7	7.2	8%
Total handed imported container (1000,000 TEUs)	1.62	1.68	4%
Total handed exported container (1000,000 TEUs)	1.75	1.84	5%
Total handled transit container (1000,000 TEUs)	3.3	3.7	12%

*** Note:** The productivity of specialized ports has been added to the total vessel traffic, total handled cargo and passenger traffic during 2019 (282 vessels, 40 international yachts, 12,000,000 tons volume of trading in petroleum and mining ports).

Total vessels calls on Egyptian seaports during (2018, 2019)

Port	year 2018	year 2019	Variation Rate
Alexandria	2,937	2,994	2%
El Dekheila	1,192	1,159	-3%
Damietta	3,011	3,257	8%
Suez	96	94	-2%
Petroleum Basin	82	23	-72%
Safaga	876	794	-9%
Nuweiba	810	766	-5%
Sharm El-Shaikh	67	105	57%
Hurghada	186	210	13%
West Port Said	2,262	1,966	-13%
East Port Said	1,476	1,504	2%
Adabiyah	580	549	-5%
Sokhna	374	324	-13%
Specialized ports	-	282	-
Total	13,949	14,027	1%

Total Cargo Handling in the Egyptian Seaports during (2018, 2019)

Port	year 2018				year 2019				Variation Rate
	Imp.	Exp.	Transit	Total	Imp.	Exp.	Transit	Total	
Alexandria	24,783	7,998	85	32,866	26,021	7,929	68	34,017	4%
El Dekheila	22,870	6,522	121	29,514	22,091	5,611	55	27,756	-6%
Damietta	17,191	13,403	7,282	37,876	16,594	12,251	6,336	35,181	-7%
Suez	84	173	0	258	81	221	0	301	17%
Petroleum Basin	463	0	0	463	173	0	0	173	-63%
Safaga	1,980	1,591	0	3,571	1,965	1,660	0	3,625	2%
Nuweiba	146	378	0	524	153	379	0	532	2%
West Port Said	2,281	1,835	1,644	5,761	2,948	2,209	1,954	7,111	23%
East Port Said	626	208	23,908	24,743	698	1,073	29,288	31,059	26%
Adabyah	5,458	4,710	0	10,168	4,482	4,642	0	9,124	-10%
Sokhna	7,563	3,911	26	11,501	6,161	4,044	20	10,225	-11%
Specialized Ports	-	-	-	-	0	12,193	0	12,193	-
Total	83,445	40,729	33,066	157,245	81,367	52,212	37,721	171,297	9%

Total Container Handling in the Egyptian Seaports during (2018, 2019)

Port	2018				2019				Variation Rate
	Imp.	Exp.	Transit	Total	Imp.	Exp.	Transit	Total	
Alexandria	418,184	364,735	15,358	798,277	449,803	394,650	6,833	851,286	7%
El Dekheila	464,290	459,210	11,379	934,879	471,523	485,560	6,581	963,664	3%
Damietta	163,119	296,120	691,391	1,150,630	181,958	303,230	582,814	1,068,002	-7%
West Port Said	155,615	200,963	227,819	584,397	169,895	216,363	268,061	654,319	12%
East Port Said	74,335	61,449	2,385,237	2,521,021	78,120	85,543	2,840,177	3,003,840	19%
Adabiyah	30,420	27,629	0	58,049	34,968	34,812	0	69,780	20%
Sokhna	310,673	335,976	7,861	654,510	297,395	320,692	16,569	634,656	-3%
Total	1,616,636	1,746,082	3,339,045	6,701,763	1,683,662	1,840,850	3,721,035	7,245,547	8%

Total number of Passengers Calling on the Egyptian Seaports during (2018, 2019)

Port	Passenger		
	2018	2019	Variation Rate
Alexandria	18,622	8,656	-54%
Suez	350	435	24%
Safaga	321,725	298,319	-7%
Nuweiba	270,947	253,903	-6%
Sharm El-Shaikh	55,826	12,654	-77%
Hurghada	40,331	83,302	107%
West Port Said	10,430	16,181	55%
Sokhna	2,618	2,289	-13%
International Tourist Specialized ports	-	400	-
Total	720,849	676,139	-6%

Performance Indicators during the years (2018, 2019) (Cont.)

Items	2018	2019	Variation Rate
The Authority with the highest frequency rate with regard to vessels calls	Alexandria Port Authority with 4,129 vessels, representing 30% of the Grand Total	Alexandria Port Authority with 4,153 vessels, representing 30% of the Grand Total	1%
The The Authority with the highest number of passengers	Red Sea Ports Authority with 689,000 passengers, representing 96% of the Grand Total	Red Sea Ports Authority with 649,000 passengers, representing 96% of the Grand Total	-6%
The Authority with the highest cargo handling rate	Alexandria Port Authority with 62.3,000,000 tons, representing 40% of the Grand Total.	Alexandria Port Authority with 61.7,000,000 representing 39% of the Grand Total.	-1%
The Authority with the highest container handling rate	Suez Canal Economic Zone with 3.8,000,000 TEU, , representing 57% of the Grand Total.	Suez Canal Economic Zone with 4.4,000,000 TEU, representing 60% of the Grand Total	14%
Total number of vessels transiting Suez Canal (vessel)	18,174 vessels	18880 vessels	4%
Total net tonnage transiting Suez Canal	1140,000,000 tons	1207,000,000 tons	6%

The most important positive indicators:

- Increase of the total handled cargo by 9% after adding the productivity of specialized ports (12,000,000 tons)
- Increase of the total handled container by 8%, particularly transit containers, by 12%.
- East Port Said is the highest container handling port (42% of the Container Grand Total).
- Safaga Port is the highest port in terms of number of passengers (at 45% of Passengers Grand Total).
- Increase of the total number of vessels transiting Suez Canal by 4% with an increase in net tonnage by 6%.

In the field of following up the Implementation of the Maritime Transport Strategy during 2019

No	Strategic Goals	Follow Up on the Implementation of the Goals
1.	Achieving integration between the Egyptian ports through devising a comprehensive plan that includes an investment chart for the Egyptian ports	The final report was submitted by the end of January 2020 and is being reviewed and approved (Prepared by the Research and Consulting Center in cooperation with the German consultant HPC).
2.	Completion of the maritime transport services geographic coverage of Egypt to sustain comprehensive development	Establishing new commercial ports in areas that are not covered geographically with commercial ports (Jhargoub Port in the western Mediterranean and Ras Banas Port in the South of the Red Sea).
3.	Establishing and developing the infrastructure and superstructure of seaports in accordance with market economies and international standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establishing and developing maritime berths (investment projects in seaports). The G2G project is being executed to connect seaports with government agencies associated with the port community. The single window "one-stop shop" Project in the Egyptian ports is being implemented in cooperation with the Ministry of Finance(Customs Authority)with the Maritime Transport Sector. Development of the Maritime Data Bank. The operation of The Electronic Archive System in the Maritime Transport Sector has been completed.
4.	Developing the legislative structure in line with local and international developments and keeping abreast of international treaties and obligations	The Supreme Ports Council agreed to review and amend existing legislations to cope with the changes that occurred in the maritime transport and ports industry and achieve full compliance with the international agreements and treaties of which the Arab Republic of Egypt is a party, the mandatory instruments issued by the International Maritime Organization and market variants. The legislative package governing the maritime transport industry as well as relevant international conventions were assembled and organized.
5.	Development and sustenance of the Egyptian maritime merchant fleet to enable it to transport 25% of Egypt's foreign trade volume.	A study on the development of the Egyptian commercial fleet was completed within the framework of implementing Egypt's Vision 2030, and accordingly a letter of intent was submitted by investors in this field.
6.	Connecting Egyptian ports to investment areas by exploiting the national network of roads and means of transportation in an integrated vision	The announcement of the winning alliance for the project of establishing the first dry port in Egypt in 6th of October City on an area of 100 acres with a maximum capacity of the port is 720,000 containers. The cost of connecting the facilities to the port is 520,000,000 EGP while the total estimated cost of construction and equipment for the port is 176,000,000 \$ borne by the winner alliance, seaports are being linked to the logistic areas through the national road and railway network (the logistic area of Alexandria port - Nubaria canal)

No	Strategic Goals	Follow Up on the Implementation of the Goals
7.	Transforming Egypt into a global hub for energy, trade and logistics at the regional, African and global levels	Coordination was established between the Ministry of Transport and the Ministry of Petroleum regarding the Ports Master Plan to enact presidential mandates.
8.	Enhancing maritime cruise	Encouraging cruise ships to increase their frequencies on the Egyptian seaports through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparing a price policy that provides attractive incentives and discounts to ships and yachts. • Raising the efficiency of tourist ports and marinas to provide notable competitive services. • Prepare a marketing plan to promote the potential of the Egyptian seaports and participate effectively in relevant local and international tourism conferences and forums such as (Medcruise Organization).

In the field of Licensing

- Shipping agency licenses were granted to (27) companies for various tonnages.
- Shipping agency licenses were renewed for (20) companies for various tonnages.
- (16) licenses were canceled for nonperformance of activities for a period of 3 years.

In the Field of Information Technology

- 1- Development of the official website of the Maritime Transport Sector, where a set of free services had been added.
(list of shipping agency services – stevedoring licenses - publishing nautical maps approved by the Maritime Survey Division of the Naval Forces for the Mediterranean and Red Sea).
- 2- Registries in the Maritime Transport Sector database reached nearly 42 million record.
- 3- The launch of the electronic archive of the Maritime Transport Sector.

In the field of Studies carried out by Maritime Transport Sector during 2019

- A Study on upgrading the Egyptian commercial fleet within the framework of implementing Egypt's Vision 2030.
- A Study on the establishment of a national shipping and transport company in accordance with the Ministers cabinet mandate.
- A Study on the impact of incentives and discounts granted under Decree no. 416/2019.
- A comparative Study on the competition of East Port Said with the eastern Mediterranean ports.

In the field of International Cooperation

With foreign countries and international organizations:

- Egypt won the IMO Council elections in the 2020/2021 round, and Egypt maintained almost the same number of votes obtained in the previous assembly.
- Signing the agreement on cooperation in the field of maritime transport between Egypt and Guinea Conakry at the end of the activities of the sixth session of the joint high committee during the period from 1-3 / 9/2019 with the participation of the Maritime Transport Sector.
- The success of the second Egyptian-Italian dialogue in the maritime field, which was organized by the Maritime Transport Sector and the Italian Embassy in Cairo and field visits to the ports and the General Authority For Suez Canal Economic Zone during the period from 21 -23 October 2019.
- Enhancing the cooperation, putting forward governmental memoranda of understanding and bilateral agreements, follow up on amendments, negotiate, and obtaining security and political ratifications with Eritrea - Mozambique - Senegal - Democratic Republic of the Congo - Azerbaijan - Turkmenistan - Georgia - Latvia - Bulgaria - Cameroon - Sri Lanka - Malaysia.

With Arab countries:

- The issuance of Presidential Decree No. 11 / 2019 by the President of the of the Arab Republic of Egypt regarding the approval of the cooperation agreement between the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt and the Government of the Republic of Tunisia in the field of maritime transport, signed in Cairo on 12/11/2017.

In the field of Human Resources and Training

Grants and internal Training:

Ports Training Institute - Gate 27, Alexandria Port:

No.	Course Name	Date	No. of Trainees
1	Environmental Impact on Seaports and Development Policy	24-28/2/2019	10
2	Trade And Economic Negotiations Management in the Field of Maritime Transport	10-14/3/2019	10
3	Management and Development of the Maritime Fleet	9-13/6/2019	10
4	International Convention for Safe Containers (CSC)	27-31/10/2019	10
5	Strategic Planning for Marine Ports Management	17-21/11/2019	10
6	Information Technology and its Impact on Port Management	22-26/12/2019	10
Total Number of Trainees			60

The internal programs at the Administrative Training Center of the Maritime Transport Sector:

No.	Course Name	Date	No. of Trainees
1	International Conventions and Agreements Governing Maritime Transport	13-17/1/2019	12
2	Developing the Skills of the First Rank Supervisory Staff	27-31/1/2019	16
3	Controlling Work Stress Encountered by Maritime Transport Staff	10-14/2/2019	11
4	Human Resources Management in Maritime Transport	3-7/3/2019	15
5	Middle Management Leaders Program in Maritime Transport	24-28/3/2019	15
6	The Development of The Egyptian Maritime Fleet and Examples for Superpowers Experiences in Developing their Fleets	7-11/4/2019	17
7	Problems Resulting from the implementation of Labor Laws	21-25/4/2019	19
8	The Importance of Multimodal Transport	5-9/5/2019	20
9	Ports Development Strategy	19-23/2019	25
Total Number of Trainees			150

In the field of Major Projects Underway at the Seaports of the Ministry of Transport

No.	Project Name	Execution Rate To-Date
First: Alexandria Port Authority		
1	Supplying (2) tractors, with a tensile strength of 50 tons	100%
2	Supplying (2) tractors, with a tensile strength of 40 tons	100%
3	Restoration of the breakwater, third phase	100%
4	Establishing (2) warehouses made of metal structure in El Dekheila Port	100%
5	Improvement of the first and sixth Areas	99%
6	Establishment of a Security Enhancement Network in agreement with the Department of Electronic Warfare	95%
7	Completion of the construction of a link to connect El Dekheila Port to the international coastal road	Bridge - 70% 100% Trucks courtyards
Second: Damietta Port Authority		
1	Building and delivering of anti-pollution launch boat made of aluminum alloy with a speed of 12 knots	99%
2	Construction and delivering of pilotage launch boat made of aluminum alloy at a speed of 20 knots	99%
Third: The General Authority for Red Sea Ports		
1	Delivering of 2 oil pollution combat units, 2 solid waste units and 2 service launch boats.	100%