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Hamdan meets Al Neyadi, hails UAE space programme

HE ALSO LAUDS 'ZAYED AMBITION 2' TEAM FOR SETTING NEW SPACE MILESTONE

DUBAI

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Shaikh Hamdan Bin Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of and Chairman of the Executive Council of Dubai as well as the Chairman of the Mohammad Bin Rashid Space Centre (MBRSC), said the Centre's accomplishments and its role in driving the UAE's development in the space sector reflect the vision of President His Highness Shaikh Mohammad Bin Zayed Al Nahyan and His Highness Shaikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, to launch ambitious space projects that support the global scientific community.

Ode to Emirati talent

Shaikh Hamdan also said that the successful accomplishment of the longest Arab space mission by UAE astronaut Sultan Al Neyadi is the culmination of the dedicated efforts of the exceptional Emirati talent at MBRSC.

His remarks came during a visit yesterday to MBRSC, where he met Al Neyadi and the team behind 'Zayed Ambition 2'. He congratulated Al Neyadi for completing the mission, and the MBRSC team for establishing a new Emirati and Arab milestone in space exploration. "The Zayed 2 Mission is the



■ Shaikh Hamdan Bin Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum with Sultan Al Neyadi, who has completed the longest Arab space mission, and first Emirati astronaut Hazzaa Al Mansouri.

latest in our journey of continuous accomplishments since the launch of our space programme. The UAE leadership's vision continues to inspire us to pursue new frontiers in space exploration. As part of our steadfast commitment to serving humanity, the UAE is set to launch new ambitious space projects," Shaikh Hamdan said.

Furthering space ambitions

He also commended the passion and dedication of the MBRSC team.

"The determination of our youth opens the door to new

horizons in the fields of science, technology and innovation, which are of great importance to the future of space exploration," Shaikh Hamdan added.

"The outstanding achievements of MBRSC's missions demonstrate that we have a team capable of successfully managing complex space projects. We have been able to develop a deep pool of national talent as a result of the leadership's belief in the capabilities of our youth."

Shaikh Hamdan also discussed with the Zayed 2 Mission team the critical role of

the UAE Astronaut Programme in the nation's space achievements, and how the space sector promotes broader development in the UAE.

Shaikh Hamdan learnt from Al Neyadi about the scientific experiments he conducted on the International Space Station, in the presence of the first UAE astronaut Hazzaa Al Mansouri.



WATCH: Hamdan meeting with Al Neyadi and the rest of Zayed 2 team