

Fill in the blanks with words from the list:

caused crane cargo traders man-made been port

Certainly, moving goods had been a major problem for ¹ _____ before purpose-built containers were introduced. The port provided basic warehouse facilities for some ² _____, but most was simply stored on the sand awaiting collection. Before 1959, moving goods from dhows to the port was slow and had ³ _____ some problems, until a ⁴ _____ was brought from Scotland to improve the process.

Before the government decided to expand the UAE's ports in 1976 and 1979, the level of trading had ⁵ _____ limited. Then in 1976, the government started building the ⁶ _____ at Jebel Ali, which was completed in 1979. Jebel Ali port is the biggest ⁷ _____ harbour in the world and has improved the UAE's trade greatly.