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## Rumaila Operating Organization celebrates five successful years of partnership

- \$200 billion generated in revenue for Iraq in five years since establishment of ROO
- Operational success attributed to 'one team' work ethos of SOC, BP and PetroChina
- 1.9 million hours of training delivered to improve local Iraqi workforce capability
- Field-wide renovation of facilities & new technologies raise productivity

**Basra, Iraq, 12 August:** The Rumaila Operating Organization (ROO) has celebrated its fifth anniversary of managing the development of the Rumaila oilfield.

Since then, the operation has increased oil production by over a third. Over 2.1 billion barrels have been produced in the period, generating some two hundred billion dollars for the State. This has been achieved by training the largely Iraqi workforce, introducing new technologies and renovating the field's facilities. The ROO is the operator of the Rumaila oilfield on behalf of the Southern Oil Company (SOC) and is a joint venture between BP, PetroChina and the State Oil Marketing Organization (SOMO).

The local workforce is seconded from SOC, and since ROO's formation over 1.9 million hours of training has been undertaken across all departments, including Wells, Subsurface, Operations, Finance, Procurement and HR. Alongside Leadership, English language and IT training, these courses range from showing new ways of studying the field's geology to demonstrating how to operate within international financial regulations. This training is in place to develop the next generation of Iraqi managers and is accomplished via a comprehensive training curriculum called the Rumaila Academy, delivered both within classrooms at its dedicated facility and out in the field.

The field's workforce now operates in an environment with international standards of health and safety and improved living conditions. All twelve degassing stations and facilities are being renovated, repaired and refurbished to maintain process integrity, operability and reliability; horizontal drilling is being introduced; 200 new wells have been drilled and 144 electrical submersible pumps have been deployed to boost production.

Rumaila has also introduced new technology as it continues to build a digital oilfield. This has so far included building an internet protocol backbone to provide remote access to data out in the

field; capturing digital real-time information and transmitting well readings to headquarters of how the reservoirs are behaving, and 3D seismic mapping of the subsurface that provide new understanding of Rumaila's geology.

Rumaila General Manager, Basim Jaleel Mohammed, said: *"Rumaila's success is largely thanks to the commitment, determination and hard work of everybody involved with the operation: the 6,800 Iraqi staff and our international colleagues from around the world working as One Team, to deliver the revenues that our country so very much needs."*

Rumaila Deputy General Manager, BP's Marc Hornbrook, said: *"Rumaila is a tangible example of how international oil companies can support state-owned operations by working collaboratively. With current production levels averaging around 1.37 million barrels a day – from just around a million five years ago – this is evidence that the partnership is working and continues to operate in service to the Iraqi people."*

Special Deputy General Manager, PetroChina's Wang Guihai, also added: *"PetroChina is pleased to be a part of this operation and is proud of the accomplishments of the partnership."*

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