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Zallaf ships first 600k barrels from Al-Shaddar

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Zallaf Libya Oil and Gas Exploration, Production and Refining Company has exported its first crude oil and condensates shipment from the Al-Shaddar field, totalling over 600,000 barrels of Sirtica crude. The milestone marks the field's transition from development into active export operations, representing a meaningful addition to Libya's upstream production portfolio.

The company described the achievement as a qualitative milestone resulting from continuous operational efforts at Al-Shaddar. No production rate figures, contract details, or development partners were disclosed in the announcement, but the scale of the inaugural cargo — over 600,000 barrels — signals that the field has reached a level of productive capacity sufficient to support commercial export volumes. Sirtica crude is a light, high-quality grade that commands strong refinery interest.

Libya's upstream sector continues to rebuild output capacity against a backdrop of chronic political instability and infrastructure constraints. Zallaf's progress at Al-Shaddar demonstrates that state-affiliated operators are advancing field development even in this environment. For international service companies active in Libya or monitoring re-entry opportunities, the commencement of exports from a new field indicates that midstream logistics — including storage, loading infrastructure, and metering systems — are now operational at the site.

The broader significance lies in what follows a first export: sustaining and growing production typically requires artificial lift programmes, well intervention services, flow assurance management, and facilities upgrades. These are areas where

international well-service and subsea-adjacent companies have historically supported Libyan national operators, and where demand is likely to emerge as Zallaf seeks to optimise Al-Shaddar's output over coming months.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

Al-Shaddar has now entered commercial production, meaning Zallaf will increasingly require well services, production optimisation, and facilities support as it works to sustain and grow output. Norwegian service companies with Libya exposure or regional Middle East and North Africa teams should monitor Zallaf's procurement channels for upcoming tenders related to well intervention, artificial lift, and metering or export infrastructure. Given Libya's risk profile, relationship-building through the Libyan National Oil Corporation ecosystem and in-country partners remains the recommended entry approach before any direct procurement outreach.

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- **Drilling/Well Services:** First export signals the need for sustained production support — artificial lift, well stimulation, and workover services are likely to follow as Zallaf optimises Al-Shaddar wells.
- **Pipeline:** Field-to-export logistics now operational at Al-Shaddar; flow assurance and pipeline integrity services may be required to maintain export reliability.
- **Subsea/FPSO:** Monitor whether Al-Shaddar crude is routed through existing onshore export terminals or new marine loading infrastructure, which could create equipment or inspection service opportunities.
- **Service:** Metering, custody transfer, and quality assurance services are immediately relevant now that commercial export cargoes are being shipped from the field.

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