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“China Study Centre - SDPI”

It carries reference information's to the news items/comments/Op-Eds appearing in leading National/International daily newspapers.

Newspapers Covered:

• Dawn	• The News	• The Express Tribune
• The Nation	• Business Recorder	• Daily Times
• Pakistan Observer	• Pakistan Today	• Urdu Point
• China Daily		

Editor Note:

Launched in August 2018, China Study Centre is a broader initiative of Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) to bridge the research-policy gap on the issues of global relevance such as trade, technologies, climate change, tourism, business, finance and Pakistan-China relations. The Centre strives to foster research, knowledge and expertise on China, profoundly relevant to our engagement with China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC).

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Subjects Covered

- Pak-China Foreign Relations
- CPEC
- Regional integration under China's Belt & Road (B&R)
- Business, innovation & entrepreneurship
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- Capacity building, learning and development
- Economic growth & governance
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China Study Centre

Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)

Belt and Road Initiative opened gateway to new opportunities: Nust rector

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-16

ISLAMABAD: National University of Sciences and Technology (Nust) Rector Engr Javed Mahmood Bukhari on Friday said in the past few years the Belt and Road Initiative of China, including China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), has brought about fresh opportunities while opening new intellectual vistas of excellence at Nust. He said this while addressing participants of a virtual meeting on the &ls..... [more >>](#)

G7 Infrastructure Plan to counter BRI

Source: [Waseem Shabbir](#), [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-20

The 48th summit of G-7 was held in Germany's Schloss Elmau last month. As usual, this summit was again based on crafting anti-China policies, agreements and nexuses. However, the gigantic development that came to the fore this time was the proclamation of a mega project named "Partnership for Global Infrastructure and Investment" (PGII) unanimously by G7 countries, including the [more >>](#)

China & America trade conflict

PGII: an alternative to the BRI?

Source: [Dr Murad Ali](#), [The News, International](#), 2022-07-18

The writer holds a PhD from Massey University, New Zealand. He teaches at the University of Malakand. We are living in the age of uncertainty. Last month, during the 48th G7 summit, held in Germany, member countries came up with a new initiative called the Partnership for Global Infrastructure Investment (PGII). Oddly enough, projects already launched last year by the US Agency for International..... [more >>](#)

BRICS And Iran

Source: [Omar Shahkar](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-21

Tectonic shifts are on the rise in international politics. Recently, Iran applied to join BRICS, a group consisting of Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa. On a global level, BRICS represents 40 percent of the world population and 26 percent of the world economy. According to IMF data, China has the largest economy in this group and accounts for more than 70 percent of the BRICS total wo..... [more >>](#)

A Pathway To Peace

Source: [Abu Hurairah](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-30

A key component of diplomacy in the modern period is interstate economic collaboration, a pathway to establish peace in any region. The US-China relationship serves as an instructive example in this regard. Both nations continue to involve intricate economic interconnectedness while seeking influence across continents. The US and China exchanged more than \$700 billion of goods and services in 2021..... [more >>](#)

'Playing with fire'

Source: [Editorial](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-31

THOSE hoping that Thursday's over two-hour-long phone call between Joe Biden and Xi Jinping would help cool things off between the US and China would be disappointed. If anything, the uncomfortable conversation has only reiterated the belief that the world's two top economies may inadvertently walk into a conflict over Taiwan. For the international community, particularly the Global So..... [more >>](#)

Economic Growth & Governance

China won the battle against poverty and is pushing forward rural revitalization

Source: [Li Bijian](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-16

Since the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC), the CPC Central Committee with Comrade Xi Jinping at its core has been centering its efforts on the overall development of the Party and the nation, focusing on achieving the two centenary goals and working to prioritise affairs related to agriculture, rural areas and rural residents. We won the battle against poverty, eradica..... [more >>](#)

Economy, ecology: giant step forward

Source: [Li Bijian](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-23

The past decade since the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC) has been extraordinary in terms of the development of the Party and the country. The most outstanding practical achievement in the past 10 years was a gigantic step forward on economy development and ecology environment improvement. China's economic strength reached a new level in the past decade. Chi..... [more >>](#)

China Is Not Soviet Union

Source: [Sohail Ahmed Soomro](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-25

The new cold war has reached its climax. China has been challenging the uni-polarity of the US on every front. Countering China has become the supreme interest of the US in the twenty first century. Many scholars are of the view that the new cold war cannot end up in a similar fashion to the first: downfall of erstwhile USSR. Against the backdrop of the dissolution of the USSR, many authors came u..... [more >>](#)

Uphold the people's congress system

Source: [Li Bijian](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-31

Since the 18th CPC National Congress, the CPC Central Committee with Comrade Xi Jinping at its core has carried out theoretical and practical innovations in the people's congress system from the strategic perspective of adhering to and improving the socialist system with Chinese characteristics and modernizing China's system and capacity for governance, developed General Secretary Xi J..... [more >>](#)

Pak-China Relations / Foreign Affairs

Wang expresses deep grief over floods damages Chinese minister sends a message of solidarity to Pakistan

Source: [APP](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-17

BEIJING: China's State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi sent a message of sympathy to Foreign Minister Bilawal Bhutto Zardari on the ongoing floods in Pakistan. In his message, Wang Yi expressed deep grief and sorrow over the loss of life and property in several areas of Pakistan due to floods, CRI reported. He expressed deep sympathy with the families of those who died in the flood..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan, China exchange views on Afghan situation

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-19

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China on Monday exchanged views on the political and security situation in Afghanistan, and humanitarian assistance being extended by them to the war-torn country. China's Special Envoy on Afghanistan Ambassador Yue Xiaoyong who called on Foreign Secretary Sohail Mahmood also discussed other issues of mutual interest. Mehmood underscored Pakistan's com..... [more >>](#)

China keen to explore Pakistan's dairy sector for mutual benefits

Source: [News Desk](#), [The News, International](#) , 2022-07-27

LAHORE: Cooperation between China and Pakistan on dairy industry and multifarious demands for high-quality dairy products in China would provide a contemporary path of development for Pakistan's domestic dairy sector. Pakistan China Joint Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCJCCI) President Wang Zihai on Tuesday said the Chinese learned that Pakistan was the most important exporter and produ..... [more >>](#)

Pak-China trade

Chinese Companies Show Increasing Interest In Investing In Pakistan

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2022-07-16

ISLAMABAD – China and Pakistan have always shown interest in further promoting their bilateral relations for greater economic benefits. The China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) is a manifestation of this close economic relationship. The increasing interest of Chinese firms in Pakistan has opened new avenues of closer ties amidst changing global and regional contours. Recently, a delegat..... [more >>](#)

Transmission services; China's PMLTC agitates against imposition of 17pc GST

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2022-07-17

ISLAMABAD: Chinese Company Pak Matiari-Lahore Transmission Company (PMLTC) has agitated on imposition of 17 percent GST on transmission service charges, official sources told Business Recorder. CEO/President of the company, Zhang Li, in a letter to Managing Director PPIB stated that he is bringing it to the latter's notice that amendments to the Finance Act, 2022 and Sales Tax Act, 1990..... [more >>](#)

PIA resumes Beijing-Islamabad flights

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2022-07-18

BEIJING: The Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) resumed its passenger flights on Beijing-Islamabad route after a gap of nearly seven months when PK-855 took off from the Chinese capital for Islamabad on Sunday. The national-flag carrier resumed its commercial passenger flights on Islamabad-Xian and Beijing-Islamabad section from last month but the aircraft had to return back to Islamabad from..... [more >>](#)

Gwadar Free Zone; Irked by rupee slide, Chinese for accounts in RMB

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2022-07-18

ISLAMABAD: Disturbed with frequent depreciation of the Pak Rupee (PKR), Chinese investors in Gwadar have sought permission to maintain their bank accounts in RMB in Gwadar Free Zone without converting their money into Rupees, well informed sources told Business Recorder. This issue was raised by Chairman, China Port Holding Company Limited (COPHCL) at a meeting of Federal Steering Committee o..... [more >>](#)

Chinese firm serves notice on CPPA-G

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2022-07-20

ISLAMABAD: China Huaneng has served notice of non-payment to Central Power Purchasing Agency Guaranteed (CPPA-G) pursuant to guarantee within 30 days. In a letter to Managing Director, Private Power & Infrastructure Board (PPIB), Chinese company's Vice President, Fan Jinda says that pursuant to section 1.5.1 of guarantee signed between Huaneng Shandong Ruri (Pakistan) Energy (privat..... [more >>](#)

Over 4,000 representatives of Chinese companies take part; STZA organises China-Pakistan technology investment conference in Beijing

Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-21

ISLAMABAD: The Special Technology Zones Authority (STZA), Cabinet Division, Government of Pakistan, the Pakistan's Embassy in Beijing, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Zhongguancun Belt and Road Industrial Promotion Association (ZBRA) of China, jointly organised the first ever China-Pakistan Technology Investment Conference (CPTIC) virtually. More than 4500 representatives of the Chi..... [more >>](#)

Chinese Tech Enterprises Invited To Explore Pakistan For Future Business, Investment

Source: [APP](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-21

BEIJING-Pakistan's Ambassador to China, Moinul Haque has invited the Chinese technology enterprises to come and visit Pakistan and explore the country for their future businesses and investment and asked them to take advantage of incentives being offered by the government. "We are promoting establishment of Chinese industries, manufacturing units in special economic and technologies [more >>](#)

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Import of urea from China; Provinces to be asked to share subsidy

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-23

ISLAMABAD: Federal Government has decided to ask provinces to provide their share towards expenditure to be incurred on import of 0.2 MMT urea from China on G2G basis, official sources told Business Recorder. On July20, 2022, Ministry of Industries and Production (Mol&P) had proposed to the ECC of the Cabinet to allow TCP to import 200 KMT from China on deferred payment basis and sign Mem..... [more >>](#)

Missing the bus

Source: [Editorial](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-23

It seems Pakistan is not going to benefit from the great relocation of China's labour-intensive industry, especially textile, as the world's second-largest economy manoeuvres to exploit reduced production costs as well as remove the made-in-China label from a number of its products to win back the US market. There's been much talk of Pakistan emerging as the principal beneficiary..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's Exports To China Up Nearly 10.97pc Year-On-Year In H1 Of 2022

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-24

BEIJING – Pakistan's export to China crossed \$1.918 billion in the first half (H1) of this year, up 10.97 percent from \$1.728 billion in the same period of the previous year, which continue to increase on yearly basis, China Economic Net (CEN) reported on Saturday quoting official data from the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC). Accordin..... [more >>](#)

PM Shehbaz reaffirms pledge to achieve SCO goals

Source: [Syed Irfan Raza](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-25

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif said on Sunday that Pakistan was keen to work with the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation's (SCO) member countries to promote cooperation in various fields and meet its goals. During a meeting with SCO Secretary General Ambassador Zhang Ming in Lahore, Mr Sharif expressed the hope that all SCO member states would continue to work together to build pea..... [more >>](#)

Power sector; Chinese investors accuse govt of violating agreements

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-25

ISLAMABAD: Accusing the Government of Pakistan (GoP) of breaching the provisions of agreements, Chinese power sector investors say huge amount of arrears, coupled with the accelerated depreciation of the PKR in recent years, has significantly reduced the nominal return on investment, which has exposed such Chinese enterprises to high audit risks in the future, besides greatly dampening the enthusi..... [more >>](#)

PM reaffirms country's commitment to SCO objectives

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-26

LAHORE Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif has assured Pakistan's full support in the fulfillment of the purposes and objectives of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), under his stewardship. He hoped that all SCO members would continue to work together for building peace, enhancing international solidarity and cooperation. The prime minister was talking to Secretary Gen..... [more >>](#)

China to cooperate in developing dairy industry: PCJCCI chief

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-27

LAHORE: The cooperation between China and Pakistan on dairy industry and multifarious demands for high-quality dairy products in China will provide a contemporary path of development for Pakistan's dairy industry, said Wang Zihai, President Pakistan China Joint Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCJCCI) during a think tank session held on Monday at PCJCCI Secretariat. He said that we&..... [more >>](#)

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Pakistan, China soon to deal in RMB/PKR

Source: [Agencies](#), [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-25

Pakistan and China are closing in to deal in Renminbi (RMB) and Pakistani Rupees (PKR) as Pakistan faces financial challenges. Federal Minister for Board of Investment (BOI) Chaudhry Salik Hussain told Gwadar Pro that the talks between Pakistan and China were ongoing to finalize the matter. "We can soon be dealing in RMB along with the US dollars. Both options can be utilised (side by side),..... [more >>](#)

Pak-China olive cooperation possesses immense potential

Source: [Agencies](#), [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-26

As one of the main olive producing areas in China, the processing industrial chain in Fujian Province is still far from perfect. The supply of high-quality olives is in short supply; besides, the by-product market also contains unlimited potential. Namely, the market space is huge. In the future, if we can introduce excellent olive varieties from countries along the Belt and Road, including Paki..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan rice export to China witness increase in H1-22

Source: [Agencies](#), [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-27

Pakistan's rice export to China in the first six months of this year is worth around US\$345m, compared with the US\$ 258m in the same period last year, according to the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of

China (GACC). Pakistan's rice exports witnessed a 23pc growth in the fiscal year 2021-2022 and reached US\$2.511b compared with the US\$2.041b in the fis..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan plans dairy products export to China

Source: [China Economic Net](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-28

LAHORE: Cooperation between China and Pakistan in the dairy industry and China's enormous demand for high-quality dairy products will provide a path for development of Pakistan's dairy industry. Pakistan-China Joint Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCJCCI) President Wang Zihai expressed these views at a think-tank session held at the PCJCCI Secretariat on Tuesday. "We have [more >>](#)

PM vows early completion of China's projects

Source: [APP](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-28

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif vowed on Wednesday early completion of the ongoing development projects being carried out by the Chinese companies in Pakistan but faced deliberate delays by the previous government. In a meeting with a Chinese delegation led by the President of Shanghai Electric Liu Ping, Shehbaz said that the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) was playing an import..... [more >>](#)

IT ministry, SCO agree to increase cooperation

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-30

ISLAMABAD: Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Secretary General Zhang Ming called on Federal Minister for IT and Telecommunication Syed Aminul Haque. Matters relating to common interest and information and communication technology were discussed. The two sides agreed to increase cooperation between the Ministry of IT and the SCO Secretariat. Haque apprised the SCO secretary general of the [more >>](#)

CPEC; JWG to help launch 5G in Pakistan

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-31

ISLAMABAD: The Joint Working Group on Information Technology Industry (IT) under the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) will facilitate the launching of 5G technology in Pakistan, besides opening opportunities for tech companies. This was resolved during the 1st meeting of the China- Pakistan Joint Working Group (JWG) on Information Technology Industry on Friday. The meeting was vir..... [more >>](#)

Regional Integration under B & R + CPEC

IT companies urged to participate in CPEC projects

Source: [Kalbe Ali](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-16

ISLAMABAD: There is a need to encourage local IT companies to participate in the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) projects for eventual entry into the Chinese market, the Advisory Council on Information Technology (IT) and Digital Economy said on Thursday. At the first meeting of the advisory council, it was stressed that there must be consistency in government policies to be attractive to..... [more >>](#)

IMF worries over CPEC energy deals still loom large

Source: [Shahbaz Rana](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-16

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has assured the International Monetary Fund (IMF) that it would try to receive concessions from the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) power plants in the shape of either reduction in the profit rates on investment or rescheduling the loan repayments. The issue of reopening of the purchase agreements of the power generation plants set up under the multi-billion dollar CPEC..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan, China discuss extending CPEC to Afghanistan

Source: Kamran Yousaf, [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-18

ISLAMABAD: The senior officials of Pakistan and China on Monday discussed the possibility of extending the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) to Afghanistan in order to promote economic development and prosperity in the war-ravaged country. The idea to extend the flagship programme of Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) was discussed during a meeting between China's special envoy on Afghan..... [more >>](#)

China uses advanced technology to develop Eastbay Expressway project: report

Source: News Desk, [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-18

China transferred advanced technology and skill to Pakistan to develop Eastbay Expressway project, says a report published by Gwadar Pro on Sunday. According to Lieutenant Colonel (Rtd.) Naveed Ahmad Shami who has been working with the project for about seven years, the Chinese used advanced technology, known as Revetment and Pilling Technology, and engineering for the first time in Pakistan. He i..... [more >>](#)

China Road & Bridge Corporation chief decorated with civil award

Source: News Desk, [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-20

On behalf of the President of Pakistan, Pakistan Ambassador to China, Moin ul Haque conferred Pakistan's civil award 'Sitara-e-Quaid-i-Azam' upon Lu Shan, Chairman and Party Secretary of China Road and Bridge Corporation, in a special investiture ceremony held here on Tuesday at the Embassy of Pakistan. The event was attended by the senior officers of China Road and Bridge Co..... [more >>](#)

'CPEC offers huge opportunity to local logistic companies'

Source: Recorder Report, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-21

KARACHI: CPEC offers a huge business opportunity to Pakistan's logistic companies in the areas of truck operations. Speaking to the media roundtable on Wednesday, Haris Jamali CEO TCS Private Limited has said the government is working along with the private sector to enhance the logistic network via road links among the regional countries to tap into the potential of the China Pakist..... [more >>](#)

Being Pakistan Isn't Easy

Source: Noureen Akhtar, [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-21

Pakistan has been a victim of its geography since its independence. It is located in one of the most active geopolitical regions where multiple players have been engaging each other to extend their political influence for the last half-century. Unfortunately, most of the geopolitical challenges Pakistan is facing today are not of its own making. Pakistan's geographic and geostrategic importa..... [more >>](#)

CPEC and attainment of SDG 4 in Pakistan

Source: Dr Sadia Sulaiman, [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-23

The UN Millennium Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) is a component of Pakistan's development agenda, with the aim of eradicating poverty and uplifting the socio-economic profile of the people. Within this context, SDG 4, which relates to quality education for both boys and girls, was adopted as a 'priority goal' by the Government of Pakistan. However, attainment of SDG 4 has y..... [more >>](#)

Regional Dominance Through Ports

Source: Shahzad Atta, [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-24

The premier of Pakistan recently made a statement emphasising the Gwadar port as an essential component for the success of the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). He further stressed that the economic future of Pakistan is linked with the success of CPEC. This statement is strong and weak at the same time; strong in the sense that Pakistan acknowledges the Gwadar seaport as a vital component [more >>](#)

CPEC Plays Vital Role In Pakistan's Future Economic Development, Says Envoy

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-24

BEIJING – Pakistan Ambassador to China, Moin-ul-Haque said that the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) played a vital role in the future economic development of Pakistan, with the Gwadar Port as the main component. "The CPEC is one of the most important flagship project of the five corridors launched under Belt and Road Initiative. Half of its projects have already been executed..... [more >>](#)

FO rejects 'preposterous' remarks by India on CPEC

Source: [APP](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-27

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan on Tuesday categorically rejected as baseless and misguided the remarks made by the official spokesperson of the Indian Ministry of External Affairs on China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), calling it an effort to politicise the project. In a statement, the Foreign Office spokesperson said CPEC was a transformational project and a harbinger of stability, mutual cooperation [more >>](#)

Modern urban transport facilities in Pakistan to get boost with China's help

Source: [afp](#), [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-24

Along with China's investment in Pakistan, great support and progress were continuously seen in the infrastructure sectors. When it comes to infrastructure, one of the top items that stands out is the public transport sector. China has exceptionally helped Pakistan in this sector. And its investors are constantly helping Pakistan with new projects in this sector to bring Pakistan on par wit..... [more >>](#)

Modern Gwadar int'l airport to be operational by 2023

Source: [app](#), [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-25

The most modern and the largest \$246m New Gwadar International Airport (NGIA), built at an area of 4,300 acres, would be operational by September 2023 to welcome local and international flights at the port city. According to an official source, the development of the airport was at different stages as the passenger terminal building of the project would be completed by June 2023; work related to [more >>](#)

China-Pakistan welcome third-party participation in CPEC development: Zhao Lijian

Source: [Agencies](#), [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-26

China and Pakistan have agreed on participation of third parties in China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) and exchanges among media and think tanks, including promoting cooperation schemes involving third parties in line with the existing consensus and extending CPEC projects to Afghanistan, Chinese Foreign Ministry Spokesperson Zhao Lijian said on Monday. During the third meeting of Joint Wor..... [more >>](#)

Energy payments to top JWG agenda

Source: [Shahbaz Rana](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-28

ISLAMABAD: Foolproof security for Chinese nationals and clearance of over Rs250 billion worth of outstanding energy payments remain the key bottlenecks in the way of putting the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) project on a fast track, as the government seeks to hold the strategic planning committee meeting next month. Diplomatic and government sources said Pakistan would have to come up [more >>](#)

Protecting CPEC

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2022-07-28

The proposed involvement of Turkey's participation in CPEC, along with the project's expansion to Afghanistan, prompted India to protest even when it has no right to. The BJP-led government claimed that such developments are illegitimate and violate territorial integrity which is rather ironic considering that it has been illegally occupying the disputed region of Kashmir for decades. [more >>](#)

CPEC vital for Pakistan's economic future: Haque

Source: [app](#), [The News, International](#) , 2022-07-24

BEIJING: Pakistan's ambassador to China Moin ul Haque has said that China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) will play a vital role in future economic development of the country, with Gwadar port as a main component. "The CPEC is one of the most important flagship projects of the five corridors launched under Belt and Road Initiative. Half of its projects have already been executed & rdq..... [more >>](#)

PM assures Chinese firms of early completion of projects

Source: [app](#), [The News, International](#) , 2022-07-28

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Wednesday vowed early completion of the ongoing development projects being carried out by the Chinese companies in Pakistan that earlier faced deliberate delays by the previous government. He said the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) was playing an important role in the development of Pakistan and emphasised that the government was eyeing increas..... [more >>](#)

CPEC has helped shift focus to Balochistan economy, says Mushahid

Source: [Saleem Shahid](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2022-07-29

QUETTA: Senate Defence Committee chairman Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed has said policymakers in Islamabad are looking at Balochistan with an economic lens for the first time due to the CPEC, a radical departure from the military-driven, security-centric approach for the province. Speaking at a webinar on 'Development of Balochistan under CPEC', organised by the National Institute of [more >>](#)

NIMA holds webinar on 'Development of Balochistan under CPEC'

Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2022-07-29

KARACHI: The National Institute of Maritime Affairs (NIMA) organized a webinar on a very important topic "Development of Balochistan under CPEC", to highlight the facts about CPEC and Chinese engagement in Gwadar and Balochistan. Chairman Senate Defence Committee, Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Director General NIMA, Vice Admiral Abdul Aleem HI [more >>](#)

China Pakistan Economic Corridor; Shehbaz for unlocking full potential of massive project

Source: [APP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2022-07-29

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday underlined the government's commitment to unlock the full economic and connectivity potential of China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) through expedited and high-quality development of CPEC projects. He emphasized the importance of key projects like Main Line One (ML-1) and Karachi Circular Railway (KCR) in Pakistan's developm..... [more >>](#)

Govt committed to unlock full economic, connectivity potential of CPEC: Shehbaz

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CPEC an opportunity for development of Balochistan: Mushahid

Source: [pr](#), [Daily Times](#) , 2022-07-29

The National Institute of Maritime Affairs organized a webinar on a very important topic "DEVELOPMENT OF BALOCHISTAN UNDER CPEC", to highlight the facts about CPEC and Chinese engagement in Gwadar and Balochistan. Chairman Senate Defence Committee, Senator. Mr. Mushahid Hussain Sayed, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Director General NIMA, Vice Admiral (Retd) Abdul Aleem HI (M) [more >>](#)

China, Pakistan to jointly conserve cultural heritageSource: [News Desk](#), [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-30

China and Pakistan will jointly train artistic talents and conserve the intangible cultural heritage with the establishment of the China-Pakistan Cultural and Educational Exchange Center (CPCEEC), China Economic Net (CEN) reported on Friday. CPCEEC was launched jointly by Hebei Academy of Fine Arts (China) and University of Education (Pakistan) on June 9, 2022. Talat Naseer Pasha, president of Un..... [more >>](#)

Wang Yi calls for efforts to deepen cooperation along CPECSource: [Agencies](#), [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-30

Chinese State Councillor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi called for efforts to deepen cooperation along the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), a flagship project of the China-proposed Belt and Road Initiative. Wang made the remarks during a meeting with Foreign Minister Bilawal Bhutto Zardari in Uzbekistan's capital Tashkent on the sidelines of the foreign ministers' meeting of the..... [more >>](#)

CPEC; JWG to help launch 5G in PakistanSource: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder](#), [Islamabad](#), 2022-07-31

ISLAMABAD: The Joint Working Group on Information Technology Industry (IT) under the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) will facilitate the launching of 5G technology in Pakistan, besides opening opportunities for tech companies. This was resolved during the 1st meeting of the China- Pakistan Joint Working Group (JWG) on Information Technology Industry on Friday. The meeting was vir..... [more >>](#)

Research, Development & Capacity Building**Joint naval exercise 'Sea Guardians-2022' held in Shanghai**Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder](#), [Islamabad](#), 2022-07-16

KARACHI: Bilateral Naval Exercise Sea Guardians-2022 between Pakistan and Chinese Navy held at Shanghai, China. This was second exercise of its series, first exercise was held at Karachi in 2020. Newly-commissioned Pakistan Navy Ship TAIMUR participated in the exercise along with Chinese Navy assets including frigates, corvettes, submarines, fighters and surveillance aircraft and auxiliary Sh..... [more >>](#)

Pak-China olive cooperation possesses immense potentialSource: [Agencies](#), [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-26

As one of the main olive producing areas in China, the processing industrial chain in Fujian Province is still far from perfect. The supply of high-quality olives is in short supply; besides, the by-product market also contains unlimited potential. Namely, the market space is huge. In the future, if we can introduce excellent olive varieties from countries along the Belt and Road, including Paki..... [more >>](#)

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China keen to explore Pakistan's dairy sector for mutual benefitsSource: [News Desk](#), [The News](#), [International](#), 2022-07-27

LAHORE: Cooperation between China and Pakistan on dairy industry and multifarious demands for high-quality dairy products in China would provide a contemporary path of development for Pakistan's domestic dairy sector. Pakistan

China Joint Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCJCCI) President Wang Zihai on Tuesday said the Chinese learned that Pakistan was the most important exporter and produ..... [more >>](#)

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Multan's agri varsity to have Chinese training workshop

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2022-07-29

LAHORE: The Tianjin Model Vocational Training College, (TMVTC), China and the MNS University of Agriculture, Multan on Thursday signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to establish a Luban workshop. The MoU was signed at an online ceremony held on Thursday to establish an agricultural machinery training programme of Luban workshop in Pakistan. Luban workshop is a world-renowned Chinese brand [more >>](#)

SDPI s Events

MoUs News

MoU Inked Between SDPI, KSI Strategic Institute For Asia Pacific For Joint Research

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SDPI signs pact with KSI institute

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ISLAMABAD: The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with KSI Strategic Institute for Asia Pacific to conduct joint research, developing resilience and strengthening response to triple C (Covid, Climate, Conflict) crisis, a statement said on Tuesday. The MoU aims to explore potential areas of cooperation in trade and investment by engaging [more >>](#)

SDPI and KSI to strengthen relations and collaborate on identifying new avenues of cooperation and strengthening relations.

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SDPI Articles**Rural Women on The Frontlines of Climate Apocalypse**

Source: [Nudrat Fatima](#), [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-22

The worsening climate situation in Pakistan calls for a greater understanding of rural women as change agents who need to be given a position at the decision-making table. Gender-balanced climate policies that elevate and empower women will contribute to the creation of a more resilient, peaceful, and sustainable future. Considering the correlation between gender and climate concerns and research..... [more >>](#)

Social dimensions and IMF deals

Source: [Dr Shafqat Munir Ahmad](#), [The News, International](#), 2022-07-23

Political economists believe that economic growth is important, but it alone cannot help reduce poverty and inequality, marring prosperity, unless the right choices and unbiased selection of priorities are made for the economic stabilization process by governments, especially while they join any IMF programme whether concessional or non-concessional. The literature available (dates back to 2000) [more >>](#)

Make way for the floodwaters

Source: [Maryam Shabbir Abbasi](#), [The News, International](#), 2022-07-24

Recently several events of urban floods, flash floods, glacial lake outbursts and torrential rainfall caused havoc around the globe, affecting human lives, infrastructure, livestock, roads and bridges. In West Virginia, US, 44 people were unaccounted for after a flood swept away homes. 14 people were rescued in Tennessee, US. Around 50,000 people have..... [more >>](#)

Water Governance in Pakistan

Source: [Nudrat Fatima](#), [Daily Times](#), 2022-07-26

With the most recent downpours still battering the megacities, the death toll in Pakistan following five weeks of monsoon rains and flash floods increased to 300. National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) reported that since June 14, the extensive precipitation has flooded waterways, destroyed bridges, and damaged nearly 5,600 homes. The province of Baluchistan recorded the majority of the los..... [more >>](#)

Flirting with default?

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The writer heads the Sustainable Development Policy Institute. A country's economic outlook is inversely proportional to the political uncertainty prevailing there. This is very evident in the case of Pakistan, where increased political polarization is affecting the economic outlook. Before discussing how to move forward from where we are, let us look at some numbers. Debt servicing as bud..... [more >>](#)

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ISLAMABAD: The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) has proposed to form a national economic security council on the lines of the National Security Council (NSC) to cater to growing economic complexities. The proposed council should agree on a five years economic road map on debt sustainability, energy circular debt management, reform of state-owned enterprises, and resource mobilization..... [more >>](#)

SDPI Proposes National Economic Security Council To Steer Country Out Of Crisis

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Rupee's downward slide continues amid political uncertainty

Source: [BR Web Desk](#), [Aaj TV News](#), 2022-07-22

The rupee fell further against the US dollar on Friday, hitting 228 in the inter-bank market as political uncertainty and fall in foreign exchange reserves took a toll on the currency. During intra-day trading, the rupee was quoted at 229, a decline of Rs2.19 or 0.95%, against the US dollar. By the day's end, the dollar was at Rs228.37, depreciating 0.68 per cent from the SBP's closing..... [more >>](#)

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SDPI's Related News**Experts call for enhanced measures for economic turnaround amid challenges**

Source: [Xinhua](#), [Pakistan Today](#), 2022-07-17

ISLAMABAD: As the country has been facing a record high inflation with an unprecedented rise in petroleum and electricity prices and low forex reserves, experts and officials have called for enhanced measures to secure an economic turnaround amid challenges. The agreement reached between Pakistan and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on Thursday under which Islamabad will receive over \$1 billion..... [more >>](#)

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Illegal constructions in waterways caused disaster during rains in urban areas of twin- cities

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Illegal and unplanned constructions in waterways caused recent disaster in urban areas of twin cities during the monsoon rains. The experts viewed this during a seminar on 'illegal constructions in waterways in peri-urban areas' Tuesday. They demanded strict compliance on the Environmental Impact Assessment and implementation of the Master Plan to protect water from contamination and..... [more >>](#)

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'EIA compliance vital to stop environmental degradation'

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Islamabad: Romina Khurshid, Special Assistant to the Prime Minister, has said that inefficient monitoring by public sector departments of corporate housing societies is causing poor development in urban areas leading to problems of sanitation, water contamination, air pollution, and urban flooding. The SAPM was speaking at a seminar on 'Illegal constructions in waterways in peri-urban area..... [more >>](#)

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