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Newspapers Covered:

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

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Subjects Covered

- Pak-China Foreign Relations
- CPEC
- Regional integration under China's Belt & Road (B&R)
- Business, innovation & entrepreneurship
- Trade and Tourism
- Energy and Environment
- Social development
- Capacity building, learning and development
- Economic growth & governance
- Research and development
- History, language and culture
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China Study Centre

China & America trade conflict

The concept of hedging: lessons for Pakistan

Source: [Syed Mohammad Ali](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-02

For several years now, Pakistan has been trying to strike a balance in its relations with the US and China. Achieving such a balance in effect is not easy given the growing great power contestations within the region where both China and the US continue exhibiting maximalist tendencies. The US continues placing its bets on India, not only as a potential counterweight to China but also as the means..... [more >>](#)

China or the US?

Source: [Touqir Hussain](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-10

AFTER years of upheaval in US-China relations, caused by Donald Trump's trade war and assault on globalisation, the Taiwan crisis, President Joe Biden's obsession with maintaining America's economic and technological superiority and geopolitical dominance, and Chinese President Xi Jinping's hyper nationalism, mutual ties are settling into an uneasy calm. Spurred by the upc..... [more >>](#)

Economic Growth & Governance

China's internet sector sees steady growth in 2023

Source: [xinhua](#), [Daily Times](#), 2024-02-04

China's internet sector registered steady growth in business revenue and profits last year, according to data from the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology. Major internet companies and related services companies saw their combined business revenue rise 6.8 percent year on year to total 1.75 trillion yuan (about 246.46 billion U.S. dollars) in 2023, the data showed. Their cumulati..... [more >>](#)

Polls Manifesto and China

Source: [Afnan Wasif](#), [Daily Times](#), 2024-02-05

In a democratic system, political parties play a central role, serving as platforms for individuals who support specific ideologies and allowing them to participate in elections – a democratic process to choose a leader. These parties develop their election strategies around a set of principles, goals, and commitments outlined in their manifesto, which reflects the party's vision and i..... [more >>](#)

History, Language & Culture

MoU signed to boost Chinese language learning, culture

Source: [INP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-08

LAHORE - Lahore Chinese International Academy (LCIA) inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Centre for Chinese Legal Studies at Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS) on February 2nd to promote Chinese language learning and culture in Pakistan. This initiative aims to strengthen the already robust ties between Pakistan and China, particularly in education and c..... [more >>](#)

Pak-China Trade

China, Pakistan vow to further boost aviation coop

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-01

ISLAMABAD - Ambassador of China, Jiang Zaidong, called on Air Chief Marshal Zaheer Ahmed Baber Sidhu, Chief of the Air Staff, Pakistan Air Force in his office here Wednesday. During the meeting, matters pertaining to evolving geo-strategic environment and regional developments were discussed. The dignitaries underscored the necessity of revitalizing the framework for operational training across al..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's exports to China increase by 40% in 6 months

Source: [APP](#), [Daily Times](#), 2024-02-01

Pakistan's export of goods and services to China witnessed an increase of 40.01 per cent during the first six months of the current fiscal year (2023-24) as compared to the exports of the corresponding period of last year, State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) reported. The overall exports to China were recorded at US \$1481.499 million during July-December (2023-24) against exports of US \$1058.088 m..... [more >>](#)

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Jul-Jan exports to China up 46pc YoY

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-05

ISLAMABAD: Pakis-tan's export of goods and services to China witnessed an increase of 46 per cent during the first seven months of the current fiscal year (2023-24) as compared to the exports of the corresponding period of last year, according to data released by caretaker Federal Minister for Commerce and Industries Gohar Ejaz to the media. The overall exports to China were recorded at..... [more >>](#)

Clothing exports to China rise by 3% in 2023

Source: [APP](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-07

BEIJING: The amount of clothing that Pakistan exported to China, both for men and women, significantly increased in the past year. Based on available data, the export of men's and women's clothing from Pakistan to China increased by 3% between January to December of 2023, said Ghulam Qadir, Commercial Counsellor at the Pakistani Embassy in Beijing. The strong demand for Pakistani tex..... [more >>](#)

Garments exports to China rise by 3pc in 2023

Source: [APP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-07

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Pakistan's exports to China continue to grow with sesame the highlight

Source: [APP](#), [Daily Times](#), 2024-02-03

Pakistan's export of goods and services to China witnessed an increase of 39.44% during the first five months of the current fiscal year (2023-24) as compared with the exports of the corresponding period of last year. While

commenting on the cause of this enormous increase, Omer Malik, chairman of King's Bridge Investments, told China Economic Net (CEN) that there were a number of rea..... [more >>](#)

Keel-laying ceremony of 2nd HANGOR-class submarine held

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-15

ISLAMABAD - Achieving another milestone in indigenous submarine development in Pakistan, the Keel-laying ceremony of second HANGOR Class Submarine was held at Karachi Shipyard & Engineering Works (KS&EW). Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Naveed Ashraf graced the occasion as chief guest, according to a press release received here Wednesday. As per the defence agree..... [more >>](#)

Green Pakistan project designed to maximise agricultural productivity: Fu Shuai

Source: [APP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-04

BEIJING - The Green Pakistan Million Acre Smart Farm project incorporates advanced equipment, innovative techniques and intelligent water management systems, all designed to maximize agricultural productivity while minimizing environmental impact," said Fu Shuai, Vice GM of Dayu Irrigation International Department. Speaking on the occasion of the delivery ceremony of first shi..... [more >>](#)

New govt to ink loan accord with China for ML-1

Source: [Khalid Hasnain](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-11

LAHORE: The terms on conditions related to the loan pledged by Beijing for the Pakistan Railways' flagship project — Main Line-1 (ML-1) — will be finalised by the upcoming government with the Chinese authorities. "Everything, except finalisation of the terms and conditions related to financing/loan by the government, has been completed, as no issue about the project exis..... [more >>](#)

Karot hydropower project; Chinese firm concerned at curbs on its staff's movement

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-02

ISLAMABAD: Chinese company M/s China Three Gorges South Asia Investment Ltd (CSAIL) has reportedly expressed serious concern over restrictions on movement of its employees working on 720 MW Karot hydropower project due to security threat, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. SCAIL, is an investment holding company formed by China Three Gorges Corporation, which is the world's l..... [more >>](#)

Regional Integration under B&R +CPEC

CPEC Under Doubts

Source: [Abubakr Janjua](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-10

The continent of Asia is confronted with a considerable and increasing need to progress its infrastructure. Substantial opportunities exist for fostering cross-border collaboration, especially in improving regional connectivity and advancing infrastructure. The emerging and developing paradigm in the region is positioned to disturb the existing state of affairs, indicating a strategic tr..... [more >>](#)

CPEC and SEZs

Source: [Ahsan Munir](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-13

Recently, China said it is ready to work with Pakistan to upgrade the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) for a more shared future in the new era. Caretaker PM Kakar said after having achieved the first phase of CPEC, Pakistan is benefitting from its early harvest projects while remaining engaged with China to execute the next phase. Consequently, there has been a flurry of acti..... [more >>](#)

OLMT chugs on track of friendship Chinese experts help operate Pakistan's first rail transit system

Source: APP, [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-08

Okasha, a 24-year-old electrical engineer, finds immense pride in steering the Orange Line Metro Train (OLMT) in Lahore, a project realised under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). "It's a wonderful experience. I am so proud to serve my nation by driving Pakistan's first-ever mass rapid urban transit train service," he shared with Xinhua. As an early achievement of th..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Engagement

A Report launch

Need urged for digital integration of agriculture data to explore regional potential

Source: APP, [Asian Correspondent](#), 2024-02-01

ISLAMABAD, Feb 1 (APP): The agriculture experts and researchers on Thursday called for innovative indigenous solutions and digital integration of agriculture data, which played a pivotal role in unlocking the potential of regional agriculture trade and supporting progress towards food security. The report titled, "Potential of Innovation for Food Security and Regional Trade in Agriculture&..... [more >>](#)

Innovation & digitalization in regional agriculture trade called for promoting food security: Speakers

Source: SABAH, [SABAH News](#), 2024-02-02

ISLAMABAD, Feb 01 (SABAH): Innovative indigenous solutions, and digital integration of agriculture data can play a pivotal role to unlock the potential of regional agriculture trade and support progress towards food security and SDG2, said speakers at a report launch. The report titled, "Potential of Innovation for Food Security and regional Trade in agriculture", was launched by Sust..... [more >>](#)

Innovation, digitalisation in regional trade to promote food security

Source: Rasheed Khalid, [The News, International](#), 2024-02-02

Speaking on the occasion, Dr Haroon Sarwar, Economic Consultant, Ministry of National Food Security & Research, said the participation of startups from Balochistan and even Afghanistan was a promising sign for food security. He emphasised that the current problems confronting agriculture in Pakistan and region is the poor access of small holding farmers to finances. He said that bridging the g..... [more >>](#)

Need Urged For Digital Integration Of Agriculture Data To Explore Regional Potential

Source: APP, [Urdu Point](#), 2024-02-01

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SDPI Articles

Navigating an economic crisis

Source: Ahad Nazir, [The News, International](#), 2024-02-04

As Pakistan gears up for elections, it finds itself at a pivotal moment, facing an economic downturn and a notable exodus of its talented youth. At the heart of this dilemma are the challenges of a burgeoning current account deficit, trade imbalances and the escalating costs of vital imports. These issues are exacerbated by projections that the manufacturing sector may not recover in the near ter..... [more >>](#)

CPEC 2.0

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed, The News, International](#), 2024-02-07

The China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), a cornerstone of China's ambitious Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), is undergoing a transformative evolution. Marking its progression into a second, more sophisticated phase, CPEC 2.0 aims to refine and expand upon the achievements of its predecessor. CPEC 2.0 symbolizes a strategic pivot from a purely infrastructure-centric approach to a more nua..... [more >>](#)

Will higher priced energy keep Pakistan going?

Source: [Dr Vaqar Ahmed, Arab News](#), 2024-02-07

The Pakistan government is expected to increase gas prices yet again, potentially by over 40 percent during February, a move that is part of the conditions of the ongoing program with the International Monetary Fund (IMF). This decision, the second fuel cost hike since November, is said to be crucial to address the escalating issue of circular debt in the gas sector, which reached PKR 2.1 trillion..... [more >>](#)

Economic recovery plan

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-09

FOR much of 2023, Pakistan's economic trajectory fluctuated from default panic to mitigation mode. The road remained rocky with a complex political scene, a population burdened with the devastating aftermath of the 2022 floods, rocketing domestic inflation, and the rupee in free fall against the dollar. With this backdrop, the government undertook timely tightening of external and domestic [more >>](#)

The manifesto monitor

Source: [Dr Sajid Amin Javed & Arooj Waheed Dar, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-07

Manifestoes are a contract between political parties and the voters, and parties are bound to deliver on it. Pakistan has different history. Political parties make promises more as slogans, and not as actionable pledges with the voter. Almost all the major parties have presented their manifestos for election 2024, February 8, with PML-N presenting it just one and half week before the elect..... [more >>](#)

Shepherding the economy

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri, The News, International](#), 2024-02-11

The phrases "revival and recovery of Pakistan's economy," "bringing back the era of economic growth," and "working towards the economic prosperity of Pakistan" echoed prominently in the pre-election rhetoric, captivating voters with promises of economic rejuvenation. However, the post-election scenario reveals..... [more >>](#)

Combating smog

Source: [Abdullah Khalid & Maaz Maqsood Hashmi, The News, International](#), 2024-02-11

S smog, a hazardous blend of smoke and fog, has emerged as a pervasive global environmental concern, particularly in urban areas. This toxic mixture of various air pollutants such as ground-level ozone, particulate matter, sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides, poses serious threats to public health, the environment and economies. Many densely populated re..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Related Articles

Election Droll

Source: [Ali Imran Atta, Daily Times](#), 2024-02-02

The economically marginalized group in our society is feeling the burden of uncertainty as the election date of February 8 approaches. The Election Commission of Pakistan has issued the list of contestants. It has been revealed

that, in a battle that is less than a week away, an unprecedented number of candidates – nearly 18,000 – are vying for 1,125 constituencies in the National Asse..... [more >>](#)

'Rosy promises,' no revival roadmap – economists on Pakistani political parties' economic manifestos

Source: [Khurshid Ahmed](#), [Arab News](#), 2024-02-06

KARACHI: Pakistani political parties have failed to go beyond “rosy promises” and present a clear roadmap for the revival of the economy in their manifesto documents released before general elections on Feb. 8, analysts have said. Elections come as the South Asian country of more than 241 million is grappling with high inflation, an energy crisis, persistent fiscal deficits due to hig..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's election: Can the next government bring economic stability?

Source: [Abid Hussain](#), [AlJazeera](#), 2024-02-08

Islamabad, Pakistan – It is often tempting to declare every election as the most significant in a country's history. But when Pakistan goes to polls on Thursday – in what some critics warn may be the most unfree election to date – it is no hyperbole to say the stakes are enormously high. Former Prime Minister Imran Khan languishes in jail as the authorities crack down on..... [more >>](#)

Food security and climate change

Source: [Zakir Ullah](#), [Pakistan Observer](#), 2024-02-15

It's a well-established fact that food security is directly linked to climate change, as climate change significantly impacts food security. Food security refers to the condition in which all individuals have consistent access to sufficient, safe and nutritious food to maintain a healthy and active life. While the climate change refers to the long-term alteration of Earth's climate pat..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Related News

Election marathon ends as ECP unveils party positions

Source: [Waqas Ahmad](#), [The Express Tribune](#), [Islamabad](#), 2024-02-12

ISLAMABAD: The Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) on Sunday concluded the gigantic election exercise, with the announcement of the results after counting all the votes cast on Thursday during the polling, issuing the preliminary position of the political parties in the national and provincial assemblies. Voting was held on 854 national and provincial assembly constituencies. According to the [more >>](#)

Pakistan will continue to witness 'worst economic crisis' in 2024

Source: [UN Report](#), [Daily Sun](#), 2024-02-01

Pakistan faced the worst economic crisis in its history in 2023 and it is not going to see any improvement in 2024 either. United Nations (UN) report on 'World Economic Situation and Prospects 2024' has forecast that several challenges including inflationary pressures, currency depreciation, and high levels of sovereign debt would Pakistan's economic growth this year as well. [more >>](#)

Pakistan's bid to achieve middle-income status linked to implementing policy reforms

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation](#), [Islamabad](#), 2024-02-09

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan's ambition to achieve upper-middle income status by 2047 is contingent upon the strategic utilisation of its demographic dividend, advantageous geographic positioning and the effective implementation of policy reforms. “The per capita income of Pakistan has improved in recent years, yet the nation grapples with such challenges that keep it behind other countri..... [more >>](#)

Call to plug tax loopholes to save billions

Source: [From the Newspaper, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-09

PESHAWAR: A tank-tank has stressed the need for enforcing tobacco tax policies in real sense for effective development and continuation of public health initiatives. The think tank "The Capital Calling" showed concerns over loopholes in the country's tax system resulting into a loss of billions of rupees to facilitate tobacco giants. "Pakistan's economy is currently [more >>](#)

Call to plug tax loopholes to save billions

Source: [Press Release, The News, International](#), 2024-02-09

Islamabad: The World Health Organization (WHO) emphasises the need to safeguard tobacco tax policies from vested interests of cigarette companies for effective development, implementation, and enforcement of public health initiatives. However, it did not happen in Pakistan, reported Islamabad based think tank, says a press release. It has issued alarm on the cracks in the country's tax sys..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan may face more economic misery if election result unclear

Source: [Reuters, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-10

LONDON/ ISLAMABAD: The possibility of a political stalemate in Pakistan leading to delays in both reforms and crucial foreign funding has sparked a selloff in its international bonds and fuelled analysts' fears of further economic misery for the country. Results coming in from Thursday's election saw an unexpectedly strong showing for independents - mostly supporters of jailed former p..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan may face more economic misery if election result unclear

Source: [Karin Strohecker and Ariba Shahid, Reuters](#), 2024-02-09

LONDON/ISLAMABAD, Feb 9 (Reuters) - The possibility of a political stalemate in Pakistan leading to delays in both reforms and crucial foreign funding has sparked a selloff in its international bonds and fuelled analysts' fears of further economic misery for the country. Results coming in from Thursday's election saw an unexpectedly strong showing for independents - mostly supporters of j..... [more >>](#)

Economic uncertainty looms over Pakistan amid election result ambiguity

Source: [Mirror Web, MinuteMirror](#), 2024-02-10

Pakistan's economic woes may worsen if the election outcome remains uncertain. Concerns about a potential political deadlock causing delays in reforms and essential foreign funding have triggered a sell-off in the country's international bonds, raising fears among analysts of further economic hardship. The recent election results, marked by a strong showing for independent candida..... [more >>](#)

Seminar News

Search Results for: food system dashboard a troubleshooter for policymakers, academia: experts

Source: [SABAH, SABAH News](#), 2024-02-02

ISLAMABAD, Feb 02 (SABAH): Experts at a seminar termed the recently established Pakistan Subnational Food System Dashboard as a problem-solving advanced solution for the policymakers and academia working in the field of agriculture and food security. The seminar titled, "Using Digital Platforms for Sustaining Food Systems", was organized by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [APP, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-03

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Imposition of nutrition emergency stressed

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-02-03

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Pakistan Subnational Food System Dashboard To Help Policy Makers: Experts

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point](#), 2024-02-03

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Symposium

Experts For Phasing Out ITFAs Through Stakeholder Engagement, Regulators’ Capacity Building

Source: [TCL](#), [The CatchLine](#), 2024-02-07

ISLAMABAD: Experts at a symposium demanded a stakeholders’ engagement and capacity building of regulators to enforce harmonized standards intended to control the health hazards of trans fatty acids (TFAs). The symposium on Reducing Industrial Trans Fatty Acids (iTfAs) in Pakistan was jointly organized by Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and Cargill Pakistan here. Dr Abid Qai..... [more >>](#)

Experts for phasing out iTFAs through stakeholder engagement, regulators’ capacity building

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2024-02-06

ISLAMABAD, Feb 06 (SABAH): Experts at a symposium demanded a stakeholders’ engagement and capacity building of regulators to enforce harmonized standards intended to control the health hazards of trans fatty acids (TFAs). The symposium on Reducing Industrial Trans Fatty Acids (iTfAs) in Pakistan was jointly organized by Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and Cargill Pakistan he..... [more >>](#)

Call to move away from iTFAs

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-07

ISLAMABAD: A symposium was held in the federal capital on the health hazards of trans fatty acids (TFAs), where experts stressed the need for stakeholders’ engagement and capacity building of regulators to enforce harmonised standards to counter its hazards. TFAs are fatty acids that are naturally occurring in meat and dairy products, whereas iTfAs are produced after hydrogenation and are [more >>](#)

GAIN, SDPI sign agreement

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-07

ISLAMABAD: Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) and the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), Monday, signed an agreement to collaborate to further the cause of nutrition in Pakistan. According to the details, Dr Suleri, executive director of SDPI said that nutritional security was the most important aspect which was threatened by a variety of factors, of which, the most impor..... [more >>](#)

Experts For Phasing Out ITFAs Through Stakeholder Engagement, Regulators Capacity Building

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point](#), 2024-02-07

ISLAMABAD, (APP – Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 7th Feb, 2024) Experts at a symposium demanded a stakeholders' engagement and capacity building of regulators to enforce harmonized standards intended to control the health hazards of trans fatty acids (ITFAs). The symposium on Reducing Industrial Trans Fatty Acids (IFTAs) in Pakistan was jointly organized by the Sustainable Development Poli..... [more >>](#)

'Pakistan 2nd highest consumer of industrial trans fatty acids'

Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-02-10

Islamabad: Dr Tahira Siddiqui, Deputy Director, Islamabad Food Regulatory Authority, said that Pakistan is the second highest consumer of industrial trans fatty acids (iTfAs) in the world as after petroleum products, our edible oil imports were the largest worth \$4.3 billion. Dr Tahira was addressing a symposium on "Reducing iTfAs in Pakistan" jointly organised by Sustainable Develop..... [more >>](#)

Symposium in Pakistan Highlights High Consumption of Industrial Trans Fatty Acids

Source: [Rizwan Shah](#), [BNN](#), 2024-02-10

A symposium in Pakistan highlighted the health risks of industrial trans fatty acids (iTfAs) and the country's high consumption rate. Experts called for regulations, stakeholder engagement, and the exploration of alternatives. The event also underscored the need for multisectoral dialogue and street food regulation. author-image Rizwan Shah 07 Feb 2024 02:36 EST Follow Us Symposium in..... [more >>](#)

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