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SDPI was founded in August 1992 on the recommendation of the Pakistan National Conservation Strategy (NCS), also called Pakistan's Agenda 21. The NCS placed Pakistan's socio-economic development within the context of a national environmental plan. This highly acclaimed document, approved by the Federal Cabinet in March 1992, outlined the need for an independent non-profit organization to serve as a source of expertise for policy analysis and development, policy intervention, and policy and program advisory services. SDPI is registered under the Societies Registration Act, XXI of 1860.

Mission

To catalyse the transition towards sustainable development, defined as the enhancement of peace, social justice and well-being, within and across generations.

Vision

To be a center of excellence on sustainable development policy research, capacity development and advocacy in Pakistan.

About Newsletter

To keep abreast of emerging issues at the national/international and local level, the SDPI brings out a Bi-Monthly E-Newsletter for

“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).

With a large network of universities, government bodies, business and civil society organizations, the Centre aims to promote collaborations, capacity building and technology transfer based on lessons learnt and experiences of China, attributed to their scientific knowledge and policy instruments. This requires a deep insight into Chinese history, culture, and socio-economic contexts. Such an approach is essential to catalyze the active engagement with China to address the economic and development challenges towards achieving sustainable development.

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
- Open Knowledge repository
- SDPI s events, visits, publications

China Study Centre

Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)

BRI's CPEC Bright Future

Source: [Syed Ali Nawaz Gilani](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-25

China is moving on BRI & its related projects around the globe fast but in organized manner to achieve the Shared Prosperity goal. Recently held 10th Anniversary of BRI's CPEC shows that the importance not only attached with this project from China but also from Pakistan as a game changer for socio economic development activities in the country much needed. Recent past Ch..... [more >>](#)

Economic Growth & Governance

Making Asia-Pacific more dynamic, healthier, wealthier and better

Source: [Dr Qu Dongyu](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-18

We all know that we live in a changing world. In the vast area of Asia and the Pacific that change is most evident. Over the past 20 years, the economies of many nations in the region have been moving out of the category of 'least developed' and graduating into a 'middle income' status. However, the positive changes that help to make our lives better, healthier and more pro..... [more >>](#)

Pak-China Relations / Foreign Affairs

Chinese water-saving facilities shipped to Pakistan for smart farm project

Source: [App](#), [Daily Times](#), 2024-02-21

The first batch of equipment for the Million Acres of Green Pakistan Smart Farm Project participated by Chinese water-saving industry leader, Tianjin Dayu Irrigation Group, has been packed and delivered. The batch of intelligent water and fertilizer integrated irrigation equipment covering a farmland area of 2,000 hectares will be used for the planting and irrigation of wheat, cotton, tomatoes, c..... [more >>](#)

Community with a shared future

Source: [Shakeel Ahmad Ramay](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-02-26

To understand the philosophy behind the vision of a Community with a Shared Future, one has to comprehend "Xi Jinping's Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era". Thought has been constructed to contribute to building a fair, rule-based, corruption-free, secure and prosperous society with the goal of creating peaceful living conditions. Thought also recognise..... [more >>](#)

Pak-China Trade

Sesame exports to China surge 126.3%

Source: [APP](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-17

BEIJING: Pakistan's export of sesame seeds to China registered a growth, surging 126.29% on a year-on-year (YoY) basis surpassing \$290 million from January to December last year, said Ghulam Qadir, Commercial Counsellor of the Pakistan Embassy in Beijing. According to the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC), China imported 166,682.987 tonnes of [more >>](#)

Aptma urges enhanced collaboration with China to achieve export target of \$50b

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-18

ISLAMABAD - The All-Pakistan Textile Mills Association (APTMA) has called for greater collaboration with China to help Pakistan achieve its ambitious export target of \$50 billion per annum by 2029. Representing more than 223 textile companies, the association believes that strengthened ties with China, a leading player in the global textile industry, can significan..... [more >>](#)

Smart Manufacturing in Pakistan

Source: [Areesha Answer](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-21

The landscape of manufacturing has transformed from traditional mechanical processes to a sophisticated integration of information and technology. Technologies now play a crucial role in the manufacturing process and global value chains. In the contemporary landscape, technology stands out as a pivotal infrastructure requirement for national development and plays a crucial..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan exports to South China increase by 16pc in 2023

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-23

BEIJING - Pakistan's exports to South China have witnessed a significant surge of 16 percent during the year 2023. This remarkable achievement comes as a result of the strengthened trade ties between the two countries and Pakistan's ongoing efforts to diversify its export market, said Muhammad Irfan, Trade and Investment Counsellor Pakistan's Consulate in..... [more >>](#)

Cotton yarn exports to China surge 47% Pakistan exported yarn worth \$696 million in 2023

Source: [China Economic Net](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-24

BEIJING: China's import of cotton yarn from Pakistan reached a record high of \$695.62 million during the year 2023, marking a significant surge of 46.7%, data from China Chamber of Commerce for Import and Export of Textile and Apparel (CCCT) showed. Recently, the All Pakistan Textile Mills Association (Aptma) released a report which stated that due to the sharp rise in energy prices, and..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan fast embraces Chinese yuan in financial transactions

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-28

ISLAMABAD, Feb. 28 (INP) -- Pakistan is progressively gravitating towards transactions denominated in the Chinese yuan (RMB). This strategic pivot not only reflects the evolving economic landscape within Pakistan but also presents a substantial opportunity to conserve valuable foreign exchange reserves. Speaking to WealthPK on the development, Hassan Dawood Butt, former chief executive officer [more >>](#)

PHDEC hosts workshop to guide growers on cultivating white onions for export to China

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-18

LAHORE - Recognizing the suboptimal production of white onions in Pakistan and the newfound opportunity created by China opening its market with zero tariff for white onion imports from Pakistan, Pakistan Horticulture Development and Export Company (PHDEC) hosted a workshop in Mailsi focused on "Exploring the Export Potential, Cultivation Practices, and Future Outlook of White..... [more >>](#)

Regional Integration under B&R +CPEC

CPEC - A Profiting Bond

Source: [Reema Shaukat](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-18

China launched the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) a decade ago to finance infrastructure around the world, particularly in developing countries, with estimates of \$1 trillion or more invested across 152 countries. China Pakistan Economic

Corridor (CPEC) became flagship project of BRI; aimed at developing infrastructure across whole swath of the country. But it is not [more >>](#)

CPEC projects underway in Pakistan to help local economy

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2024-02-24

BEIJING - A number of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) projects are making renewed progress as the CPEC, a flagship project under the China-proposed Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), enters its next phase, helping the country to alleviate energy shortages and empowering its economic growth. "Entering 2024, CPEC projects have achieved new progress," the Global Times..... [more >>](#)

CPEC is a vehicle for human development: ITNE Chairman

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2024-02-28

ISLAMABAD - The Implementation Tribunal for Newspaper Employees (ITNE), Chairman Shahid Mehmood Khokhar delivered a speech titled "Exploring Connectivity Initiatives between China, Pakistan, and BRI Countries through the Lens of Media" at the One Day International Conference on "The Role of Media in Advancing Global Connectivity through the Belt and Road Initiative." Durin..... [more >>](#)

CPEC enters new phase: focus on industry & agriculture

Source: [APP](#), [Daily Times](#) , 2024-02-28

Pakistan and China have decided to start a new phase of China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) with a lot of focus on industrial cooperation, agriculture, mining and energy. Last year marked the 10th anniversary of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, which is a flagship project of the Belt and Road Initiative. "Having drawn from the excellent progress that was made during the first 10 ye..... [more >>](#)

CPEC: The Best Bet

Source: [Qamar Bashir](#), [Daily Times](#) , 2024-02-29

Mr Shahbaz Sharif, known as "Shahbaz Speed" for his dynamic leadership, is poised to assume the top executive role in Pakistan, bringing relief to the establishment and coalition partners but concern to the bureaucracy due to his assertive governance style. Taking charge in April 2022 amidst a looming default, he navigated through IMF negotiations after Ishaq Dar's approach faile..... [more >>](#)

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Dues to Chinese IPPs hit record \$1.8b

Source: [Shahbaz Rana](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2024-02-24

ISLAMABAD: The outstanding dues of power projects of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) have alarmingly increased to a record Rs493 billion or \$1.8 billion as of last month, showing an increase of over three-fourths in a span of just seven months. The massive surge in the dues of the Chinese energy projects during the time of the caretaker government may become a serious issue for Pakistan [more >>](#)

Technology & Innovation

China to become global powerhouse in tech, pharma, says IMD

Source: [Xinhua](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-18

GENEVA - China is becoming a global powerhouse in tech and pharmaceuticals, according to a new indicator released by the Switzerland-based International Institute for Management Development (IMD). The IMD launched its inaugural China Company Transformation Indicator (CCTI) earlier this month, focusing on technology, pharmaceuticals and apparel. It found that internet technology firms st..... [more >>](#)

Pak-China electric vehicle Launched

Source: [App](#), [Daily Times](#), 2024-02-23

Sazgar Engineering, one of Pakistan's leading car manufacturers, has partnered with Chinese car manufacturer Great Wall Motors (GWM) to introduce their latest innovation in the automotive industry, the electric vehicle ORA 3. This collaboration aims to revolutionize the Pakistani market by offering sustainable and eco-friendly transportation solutions. With cars being the primary mode of tr..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Engagement

Dialogue News

Pakistan needs innovative financing mechanisms to expedite its energy transition away from fossil fuels: Experts

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2024-02-21

ISLAMABAD, Feb 21 (APP): The experts at a public-private dialogue on Wednesday called for opting innovative financing mechanisms and technological transformation to upscale renewable energy resources for a just and clean energy transition in the country. The dialogue titled: "Beginning of the End Transitioning away from Coal: Forging an Orderly, Equitable and Just Energy Transition in Pakist..... [more >>](#)

'Pakistan can't afford early retirement of coal power plants'

Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-02-22

Mr Nawaz was speaking at a dialogue on "Beginning of the end transitioning away from coal: forging an orderly, equitable and just energy transition in Pakistan" organised here by Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) as part of its Clean Energy Transition Programme. Mr Nawaz said that if we do a regional comparison, the coal power generation in Pakistan is very less than oth..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan Needs Innovative Financing Mechanisms To Expedite Its Energy Transition Away From Fossil Fuels: Experts

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point](#), 2024-02-22

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Pakistan Must Not Miss 'Green Hydrogen' Revolution In Just Energy Transition: Experts

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ISLAMABAD, (APP – Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 23rd Feb, 2024) The experts at the seminar on Green Hydrogen generation prospects to chip in just energy transition in the country emphasized that Pakistan amid emerging trend of non-carbon eco-friendly fuels must not miss the opportunity to achieve clean energy transformation. The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI)'s Network fo..... [more >>](#)

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Pakistan must grasp opportunity to achieve clean energy transformation: experts

Source: [Xinhua](#), [Xinhuanet](#), 2024-02-24

ISLAMABAD, Feb. 24 (Xinhua) -- Pakistan, amid the emerging trend of non-carbon eco-friendly fuels, must not miss the opportunity to achieve clean energy transformation, experts said in a seminar here on Friday. Abid Qaiyum Suleri, executive director of the Sustainable Development Policy Institute, urged experts, researchers and students to work out investment and joint venture opportunities betwe..... [more >>](#)

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Pakistan urged to embrace 'Green Hydrogen' for a sustainable future

Source: [APP](#), [Daily Times](#), 2024-02-25

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When disaster strikes

Source: [By Ali Rehmat Shimshali And Ramsha Mehboob Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-02-26

Climate-induced disasters, such as floods and earthquakes, tend to have a more severe impact on vulnerable populations, especially those living in poverty. Pakistan, according to the INFORM Climate Change Risk Index 2024, is categorized as a high-risk country for such disasters. This classification underscores the heightened susceptibility of Pakistan to the adverse effects of climate change. Th..... [more >>](#)

'Pakistan should achieve green hydrogen development capacity'

Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-02-26

Islamabad: Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri, Executive Director, SDPI, has called upon the experts, researchers, and students to work out investment and joint venture opportunities between Pakistani and Chinese firms under CPEC to achieve green hydrogen development capacity. Dr Suleri was addressing a public private dialogue on "Exploring the potential of Green Hydrogen in hard to abate sectors of P..... [more >>](#)

Tech-based vision must to transform Gwadar into energy hub

Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-02-28

Islamabad: Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri, Executive Director, SDPI, has said that the discourse on a unique subject like Gwadar as an energy hub was pertinent and crucial at a time when the new government is about to take office in Pakistan. Dr Suleri was speaking at a policy dialogue on "Gwadar as an energy hub of Pakistan: pathways for sustainable development" organised here by Sustainable [more >>](#)

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SDPI holds policy dialogue: Govt must transform Gwadar into technology-based gateway

Source: [Abdul Rasheed Azad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-02-28

ISLAMABAD: The government must transform Gwadar into a technology-based gateway for not only Pakistan but also a critical route for the landlocked Central Asian Republics (CARs) for their trade thus reducing their dependency on Russia. This was the crux of a policy dialogue titled, "Gwadar as an Energy Hub of Pakistan: Pathways for Sustainable Development," organised by the Sustainabl..... [more >>](#)

Technology-based vision a must to transform Gwadar into energy hub

Source: [News Desk](#), [Pakistan Observer](#), 2024-02-28

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Gwadar's Future as Pakistan's Energy Hub: Sustainable Development and Strategic Implications

Source: [Rizwan Shah, BNN](#), 2024-02-28

Discover the potential of Gwadar to lead Pakistan's renewable energy transition and its strategic importance in diversifying regional dynamics. Learn about the emphasis on community engagement, governance structures, and the holistic approach towards sustainable development. author-image In a recent policy dialogue organized by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), titled &#..... [more >>](#)

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Tech-based vision a must to transform Gwadar into energy hub: Experts say at policy dialogue organized by SDPI

Source: [SABAH, SABAH News](#), 2024-02-27

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Pakistan needs to address system's constraints to achieve renewable energy plans

Source: [Xinhua, Xinhuanet](#), 2024-02-29

ISLAMABAD, Feb. 29 (Xinhua) -- Pakistan needs to address its system's constraints such as reducing the volume of unserved energy and accommodating the intermittency of renewable energy to realize its renewable energy plans, experts said here during a seminar on Wednesday. The addition of renewable energy is non-negotiable in today's climate, but this should be coupled with modernization o..... [more >>](#)

Experts expect Pakistan's Gwadar to become energy hub via tech-oriented, social development

Source: [Xinhua](#), [Xinhuanet](#), 2024-02-29

ISLAMABAD, Feb. 29 (Xinhua) -- Pakistan's experts expect the port city of Gwadar being developed under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) to become an energy hub with a technology-based development vision and a community-centric social development approach. In a recent policy dialogue on Gwadar organized by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), an Islamabad-based thi..... [more >>](#)

MoUs News

SDPI, Hailey College ink MoU on research, training initiatives

Source: [Ali](#), [China Connect](#), 2024-02-28

ISLAMABAD (28 Feb 2024): Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and Hailey College of Commerce, University of the Punjab have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to collaborate on joint research, knowledge sharing, and training initiatives revolving around sustainable development goals (SDGs). The MoU was signed by the Executive Director, SDPI, Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri and Principal..... [more >>](#)

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SDPI and Hailey College Forge Partnership for Sustainable Development Education

Source: [Rizwan Shah](#), [BNN](#), 2024-02-28

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Panel Discussion

'Nature-based solutions help better adapt and protect lives'

Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-02-18

Speakers called for integrating anticipatory Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) approaches with the climate science to make sure that more lives are protected from climatic disasters. It was stated in a statement issued here Saturday of a panel discussion organised at the World Social Forum in Kathmandu, Nepal, by Pakistan's think tank Sustainable Developmen..... [more >>](#)

Nature-based solutions help better adapt, protect more lives: Speakers

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2024-02-18

ISLAMABAD, Feb 17 (APP): The speakers Saturday called for integrating anticipatory disaster risk reduction (DRR) and climate change adaptation (CCA) approaches with climate science to make sure that more lives are protected from climatic disasters. Speaking at a panel discussion organized at the World Social Forum in Kathmandu on Saturday by Pakistan's leading think tank 'Sustainable D..... [more >>](#)

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Nature-based solutions key for climate adaptation and disaster risk reduction: Experts

Source: [Republica](#), [My Republica](#), 2024-02-18

KATHMANDU, Feb 18: Experts during a panel discussion organized at the World Social Forum on Saturday emphasized the importance of integrating anticipatory disaster risk reduction (DRR) and climate change adaptation (CCA) approaches with climate science to protect more lives from climatic disasters. The event, organized in Kathmandu by Pakistan's leading think tank, Sustainable Development P..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [Khabarhut](#), [Khabarhut Nepal](#), 2024-02-18

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Transformative Ideas for Combating Climatic Disasters: Insights from Kathmandu's World Social Forum

Source: [Rizwan Shah](#), [BNN](#), 2024-02-17

A panel discussion at the World Social Forum in Kathmandu provided a platform for experts to share transformative ideas on combating climatic disasters. The focus was on integrating anticipatory disaster risk reduction and climate

change adaptation strategies, informed by climate science. Key speakers highlighted the importance of resilience, risk-sensitive urban planning, and empowering women in [more >>](#)

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World Social Forum in Kathmandu Ends with Pledge for Equity and Sustainability

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The World Social Forum in Kathmandu ended with a resolute commitment to tackle economic disparity and climate change. Dr. Shafqat Munir, Deputy Executive Director of SDPI, signed a civil society statement, emphasizing the need for risk-sensitive urban planning and localized DRR-CCA strategies. The forum highlighted the importance of equity, rights, and justice in climate action. author-image I..... [more >>](#)

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