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Newspapers Covered:

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| • Pakistan Observer | • Pakistan Today | • Urdu Point |
| • China Daily | | |

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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
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China Study Centre

Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)

'China is ready to collaborate with all S. Asian countries to build a future of development and prosperity'

Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-01

ISLAMABAD: China is dedicated to assisting Pakistan in enhancing its manufacturing sector and export capabilities, this was stated by Economic Counsellor of China to Pakistan Yang Guangyuan in Islamabad during China-South Asia Business Council Exchange Symposium held at a local hotel in Islamabad. "China is ready to collaborate with all South Asian countries, including Pakistan, to buil..... [more >>](#)

Belt and Road cooperation; Pakistan, China commit to carry out 8 major steps

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-09

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China have expressed their commitment to carrying out the eight major steps for supporting high-quality Belt and Road cooperation, forging an "upgraded version" of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) by jointly building a growth corridor, a livelihood-enhancing corridor, an innovation corridor, a green corridor and an open corridor, aligning with Pakistan&rs..... [more >>](#)

Gwadar port reflects BRI's commitment to local socio-economic development: Ahsan

Source: [APP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-09

BEIJING - Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Special Initiatives Prof Ahsan Iqbal has said the high-quality development of Pakistan's Gwadar port under the framework of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) is a testimony that the China-proposed Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) is helping Gwadar evolve into a world-class port city brimming with opportunities. Located in th..... [more >>](#)

China & America trade conflict

China urges US to abide by market principles

Source: [Xinhua](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-07

BEIJING: China urges the United States to earnestly abide by market principles and international trade rules, and create a sound environment for fair competition among enterprises from all countries, a Chinese foreign ministry spokesperson said on Thursday. Spokesperson Mao Ning made the remarks at a daily news briefing when answering a query on reports that US President Joe Biden said China pro..... [more >>](#)

Back to the cold war?

Source: [Hussain H Zaidi](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-06-12

Does the tiff between the United States and China prefigure a return to the politics of the cold war era (1945-89), which divided the world into two hostile blocs for nearly half a century? The answer to this question entails comparing the dynamics of the cold war with those of the present era. The adversaries during the cold war were not two nations or even ordinary blocs but two systems, each b..... [more >>](#)

Economic Growth & Governance

Can China's rise change the world order?

Source: [Javid Husain](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-13

China's phenomenal rise over the past four decades has radically transformed the global scenario geopolitically and economically, with far-reaching implications for the world's security and economic wellbeing both at the global and

regional levels. A dispassionate understanding of these developments is a must for Pakistan's policymakers to be able to safeguard Pakistan's s..... [more >>](#)

Governance / Trade & Services

Chinese company acquires Lahore Citi Hospital, invests Rs700m

Source: INP, [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-13

LAHORE - Jiu Zhou, a prominent Chinese company, in a joint venture with Pakistan's TNC international, has acquired Lahore Citi Hospital. In a significant move, Jiu Zhou has invested a substantial amount of Rs700 million to enhance the quality of medical services provided by the hospital. The goal is to offer top-notch healthcare services to the citizens of Lahore. Shafiq Ahmad Khan..... [more >>](#)

Pak-China Relations / Foreign Affairs

China awaits PM Shehbaz's visit

Source: News Desk, [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-02

Beijing - The Chinese Foreign Ministry says Beijing looks forward to the visit of Pakistan's Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, considering it as an opportunity to promote greater joint development. At her regular briefing in Beijing, Spokesperson Mao Ning said the visit would boost the China-Pakistan all-weather strategic partnership. Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif will pay an official visit o..... [more >>](#)

Contractual obligations, rollovers, loans; PM's China visit aims at getting a breathing space

Source: [Zaheer Abbasi / Nuzhat Nazar](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-04

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's visit to China aims to secure delays in pending contractual obligations to Chinese companies, reschedule rollovers and budget support loans till the end of the under consideration Extended Fund Facility programme and launch of phase II of China Pakistan Economic Corridor. This was revealed by various stakeholders on condition of strict anonymit..... [more >>](#)

Sharif's China Visit

Source: [Dr Maria Hamid](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-05

Pakistan's current financial challenges make Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's upcoming visit to China an important opportunity to strengthen bilateral relations and attract significant foreign investment. This five-day official trip, scheduled from June 4 to June 8, has the objective of boosting partnerships under CPEC and strengthening B2B interactions. This visit is both timely and st..... [more >>](#)

Don't lose hope, follow Chinese model, PM urges Pakistanis

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-07

BEIJING - Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday reiterated his resolve to make Pakistan a great nation and regain its position by following the Chinese development model through utmost hard work and a sharp focus on industrial and agricultural progress. "If we follow the Chinese model, I have no doubt, Pakistan will regain its position in the comity of nations and will be respected li..... [more >>](#)

COAS Gen Asim Munir meets China's Xi Jinping during visit

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-09

Chief of Army Staff (COAS) General Asim Munir and Chinese President Xi Jinping met each other during the sidelines of a high-level Pakistani delegation's visit to China. A picture of General Munir shaking hands with the Chinese president, with Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif standing next to them, has been circulating on social media since end of the Pakistani delegation's visit. T..... [more >>](#)

Triumph of bilateralism

Source: [Editorial, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-10

A meaningful and result-oriented visit to China by the Pakistani leadership has graduated the relationship to new heights. The rubbing of shoulders with the Chinese politburo by Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif and Chief of Army Staff Gen Asim Munir has simply confirmed the obvious: there are no irritants, and rumours of a downslide in the time-tested ties are part of vicious propaganda. The joint st..... [more >>](#)

China rates PM's visit highly

Source: [Shafqat Ali, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-06

ISLAMABAD - China is rating Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's ongoing visit highly as the two countries aim to boost bilateral cooperation further. Top Chinese officials in China told The Nation that China had been waiting for PM Sharif's visit for weeks. "We rate this visit very highly. We both aim to enhance cooperation and partnership to new levels," said a senior Chinese [more >>](#)

China stands ready to work with Pakistan: President Xi

Source: [APP, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-08

BEIJING/SHAANXI/ISLAMABAD - Pointing out that China and Pakistan are good neighbors linked by mountains and rivers, good friends who share faith and righteousness, good partners who help each other, and good brothers who share weal and woe, Xi said the China-Pakistan all-weather strategic cooperative partnership had continuously deepened and enjoyed solid public support with a strong internal driv..... [more >>](#)

Enduring friendship

Source: [Editorial, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-09

THE optics from Shehbaz Sharif's China trip appear to be positive. The highlight of the visit came on Friday, when the prime minister met China's top brass, including President Xi Jinping and Premier Li Qiang. In other engagements, Mr Sharif and his delegation, including top ministers, networked with Chinese investors and officials. The meeting with Mr Xi was warm, as China's [more >>](#)

Pakistan, China vow to uphold regional peace

Source: [Syed Irfan Raza, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-09

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China on Saturday vowed to strengthen their strategic relations and safeguard common interests, besides promoting socio-economic development and well-being of the people of both countries. According to the Prime Minister's Office, the two sides agreed to work together to jointly uphold regional peace, stability, development and prosperity, and accelerate the b..... [more >>](#)

Solidify the Ironclad Friendship

Source: [Jiang Zaidong, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-03

Like every other ideology, populism necessitates for a conducive environment to sprout and flourish. Dysfunctional, illiberal and nonrepresentative democracy alongside malfunctioning state institutions, unfair accumulation of wealth in the rich elite, loss of hope in upward social and economic mobility, dynastic and franchise model of politics, individuals' social demotion built on low-incom..... [more >>](#)

Pak-China Trade

Pakistani companies shine at SIAL Shanghai

Source: [China Economic Net](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-01

SHANGHAI: Nine leading Pakistani companies specialising in logistics, rice mills, frozen meals, and a wide array of fruits, juices, pink salt products, candies, snacks, and dried fruits made a strong presence at the 2024 Salon International De L'Alimentation (SIAL) in Shanghai. The exhibition, held from May 28 to 30, attracted over 5,000 exhibitors from 75 countries and regions, showca..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan, China sign agreement to facilitate investment in key projects

Source: [APP](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-02

BEIJING: The National Bank of Pakistan (NBP) and China-Pakistan International Silk Road Industry Investment Management Company Ltd have signed an MoU to facilitate investment in key projects, promote industrial cooperation, support the establishment of special economic zones (SEZs) and boost bilateral trade. Economic Minister Aslam Chaudhary, Liu Jiang Hua from China-Pakistan International Silk R..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan eyes loans, infra deals during PM's China visit

Source: [Shahbaz Rana](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-04

ISLAMABAD: On the eve of the prime minister's departure to Beijing, Pakistan decided to make a bullet payment to Chinese power plants for reducing their outstanding dues in a bid to break the ice to secure financing for infrastructure projects and a \$600 million commercial loan. Sources told The Express Tribune that the energy ministry was processing Rs70 billion payments to the Chinese [more >>](#)

PM Shehbaz in China pledges full support, security for investors

Source: [Syed Irfan Raza](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-06

ISLAMABAD: Emphasising the need for business-to-business cooperation between Pakistan and China, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Wednesday assured Chinese investors and their investment-oriented projects of all-out facilitation and foolproof security in Pakistan. Addressing the Pakistan-China Business Forum in Shenzhen on the second day of his China visit, the PM highlighted bilateral tra..... [more >>](#)

32 MoUs signed with Chinese firms

Source: [Mubarak Zeb Khan](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-06

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China have signed 32 memorandums of understanding (MoUs) to promote trade and investment between the two countries. The MoUs were signed during Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's visit to China. He is leading a team of 100 businessmen to explore the potential for promoting bilateral trade and investment. An official announcement of the Commerce Ministry released on..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan keen to access Chinese capital markets: Aurangzeb

Source: [Reuters](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-06

ISLAMABAD: Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb said on Wednesday that Pakistan was keen to access Chinese capital markets as the cash-strapped country looked to raise finances from international markets. If that happens, it would be Pakistan's first venture into China's capital markets, Aurangzeb said. Islamabad could return to the international bond market this year, he said..... [more >>](#)

Business-to-business coop key to Pak, China bright future: PM

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-06

SHENZHEN - Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Wednesday, assuring all-out facilitation to Chinese investors, and security of Chinese individuals, projects and investments in Pakistan, emphasised that mutually rewarding business-

to-business cooperation was key to a bright future for the two people. The prime minister, addressing the Pakistan-China Business Forum during his five-day China visit, hi..... [more >>](#)

Pak sends first cherry consignment to China

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-06-07

KARACHI: Pakistan has sent its first consignment of cherries to China through a refrigerated container, the Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP) announced on Thursday. Fresh cherries from Pakistan exported to China after the phytosanitary agreement signed between two countries in 2022, wherein China had granted market access to Pakistan for export of fresh cherries. Immediately after th..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan, China sign more MoUs

Source: [APP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-07

BEIJING: Pakistan and China on Thursday signed multiple Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) to enhance bilateral cooperation in agriculture, labour-intensive manufacturing industry, digital economy, green economy and logistic ecosystem. The MoUs were signed between Pakistan's Board of Investment (BoI) and several Chinese entities at a signing ceremony witnessed by Deputy Prime Minister [more >>](#)

Shaza Fatima meets Chinese IT minister

Source: [APP](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-08

BEIJING: State Minister for Information Technology and Telecommunication, Shaza Fatima Khawaja held a meeting with the Chinese Minister of Industry and Information Technology, Jin Zhuanglong, in Beijing. The minister is accompanying Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif during his state visit to China from June 4–8. While welcoming Fatima, the Chinese minister said, "China and Pakista..... [more >>](#)

PM's China visit: take-home messages

Source: [Farhat Ali](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-08

The much-trumpeted high level official visit of prime minister Shehbaz Sharif to China is at its tail end. It is a high-level visit with high expectations as a significantly high number of federal ministers, dignitaries and advisors supported by an equal number of government functionaries and around 100 business leaders from Pakistan are reported to have accompanied the prime minister. To narrate, [more >>](#)

CCP, China's regulator to boost collaboration

Source: [APP](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-09

ISLAMABAD: The Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with China's State Administration for Market Regulation (SAMR) during Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's visit to China. The MoU aims to enhance bilateral cooperation in the field of competition law and policy, marking a significant milestone in Sino-Pakistan relations, said a press..... [more >>](#)

Competition law & policy; CCP inks MoU with China's SAMR

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-09

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'Trade ties with China to reach new heights'

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-09

KARACHI: Leaders of United Business Group (UBG) Patron-in-Chief SM Tanveer, President Zubair Tufail, Khalid Tawab, Hanif Gohar, Momin Ali Malik, Mazhar A Nasir, Malik Khuda Bakhsh and other members have expressed hope that bilateral trade and economic relations between Pakistan and China will reach new heights during Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif five-day visit to China. This visit is expected..... [more >>](#)

Chinese footwear delegation visit to TDAP Lahore office

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-09

LAHORE - A Chinese footwear delegation, belonging to Guangdong Shoe Manufacturers Association and Guangdong Shoe Materials Association, called upon the Director General, Trade Development Authority of Pakistan Lahore Ms Rafia Syed on 7th June, 2024. The Director General welcomed the Chinese delegation, discussed matters of mutual interest and expressed the resolve of the government to extend maximum..... [more >>](#)

Financial facilitation will augment Pak-China business activities: NBP president

Source: [Press Release](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-09

KARACHI - National Bank of Pakistan (NBP) President Rehmat Ali Hasnie participated in the Pakistan China Business Conference held in Shenzhen, China. Hasnie was among the delegation accompanying Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif who on Tuesday landed in China's Shenzhen on his official visit to the country, as Islamabad aims to advance bilateral trade and economic ties with Beijing and attract Chinese..... [more >>](#)

PM's visit boosts Pak-China relations: top Chinese firms

Source: [APP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-10

BEIJING: Chinese companies operating in Pakistan expect better opportunities for the second phase of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) following Prime Minister Shahbaz Sharif's recent visit to China. World leading Chinese engineering and power companies such as CMEC and POWERCHINA Pakistan aimed to enhance investment and undertake new projects across various sectors. Talking to..... [more >>](#)

IT sectors soar with China-Pakistan digital corridor

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-12

KARACHI: The Economic Survey of Pakistan 2024 has highlighted significant growth prospects in the IT and telecommunication sectors, driven by the China-Pakistan digital corridor. The Information Technology (IT) Industry Joint Working Group (JWP) under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) is dedicated to enhancing and developing China and Pakistan's information and communication technology..... [more >>](#)

Chinese, Pak enterprises sign MoU to build potato starch plant in Pakistan

Source: [APP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-12

BEIJING - In a significant move towards strengthening economic ties between Pakistan and China, leading enterprises from both countries, Henan Ruzhou Ideal Starch and KASB Corporation of Pakistan signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to construct a state-of-the-art potato starch plant in Pakistan. This strategic partnership aims to leverage the abundant potato resources available in the region..... [more >>](#)

Chinese CZK Huarui Group to invest in Pakistan

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-09

ISLAMABAD: The visit of the prime minister and federal ministers to China is going on to seek investment in various sectors, and for promotion of bilateral trade activities. Federal Minister for Investment Board, Communications and Privatisation Abdul Aleem Khan in Beijing on Saturday held an important session with China's 60-year-old CZK Huarui Group. In these negotiations attended by..... [more >>](#)

Chinese footwear team commits major investment

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-06-10

LAHORE : A Chinese footwear delegation, representing the Guangdong Shoe Manufacturers Association and Guangdong Shoe Materials Association, met with Ms. Rafia Syed, Director General of the Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP), Lahore, the other day. The director general welcomed the delegation, discussed mutual interests, and affirmed the government's commitment to providing maxim..... [more >>](#)

Five-day China visit; PM vows security to investments, individuals

Source: [APP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-06

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Chinese textile group keen to develop textile factory: minister

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-10

ISLAMABAD: Minister for Commerce, Jam Kamal Khan said on Sunday that a textile group has shown interest in developing textile factory in Pakistan. According to Commerce Ministry statement, the Commerce minister visited Beijing as part of the official delegation of the Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif and accompanied the premier at grand luncheon hosted by Chinese Premier Li Qiang and witnessed M..... [more >>](#)

Chinese firm seeks revival of Kohala Hydropower Project

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-01

ISLAMABAD: Days before Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif is scheduled to arrive in Beijing for a key visit, a Chinese company has demanded the revival of a hydropower project that has been delayed for around three years. The Chinese sponsors of the \$2.5bn Kohala Hydropower Project (KHPP) have raised a series of demands regarding the 1,124MW project planned to be built on River Jhelum in Azad K..... [more >>](#)

PM's visit to Beijing; NEA China conveyed desire for early implementation of 3 power projects

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-04

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan embassy in China has reportedly conveyed Islamabad's strong desire for an early implementation of three power projects during the visit of Prime Minister to Beijing, well informed sources told Business Recorder. In a letter to National Energy Administration (NEA) China, Pakistan embassy has recalled the understanding evolved at the 13th meeting (online) of the CPEC&r..... [more >>](#)

Meeting with POWERCHINA chief; PM briefed about clean, low-carbon energy prospects

Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-09

ISLAMABAD: Chairman of POWERCHINA, Ding Yanzhang, has called on Pakistan's Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif during his state visit to Beijing, China, the POWERCHINA has said. The two sides held in-depth discussions on promoting cooperation in areas such as energy and power planning, clean energy development, and major projects under construction in Pakistan, according to a statement receiv..... [more >>](#)

Regional Integration under B&R +CPEC

CPEC law diplomacy: Zoao Law Firm and IIRMR sign MoU

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-01

In the backdrop of blazing the trail of Pak-China legal cooperation, first ever Chinese law Firm “Zoao Law Firm” has entered into Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Pakistan’s Think Tank “Institute of International Relations and Media Research (IIRMR). MOU has marked an opening of new window of Sino-Pak tie-up in the spectrum of law few days before upcoming visit of [more >>](#)

Pakistan eyes on ramped-up CPEC cooperation with China to grow economy

Source: [APP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-02

BEIJING - Chinese experts said that the continuously strengthened cooperation in the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) under the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) is poised to foster greater economic development momentum in Pakistan. It will also create new market potential for Chinese businesses. The remarks were made as China and Pakistan recently unveiled five new corridors under CPEC, wh..... [more >>](#)

China sojourn

Source: [Editorial](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-04

AS the prime minister begins his five-day visit to China today, investment — particularly to reinvigorate the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor — will top the agenda. Shehbaz Sharif is due to meet the top tier of the Chinese leadership, including President Xi Jinping, and will visit various regions as Pakistan seeks to attract substantial Chinese investment. Of course, how many of these..... [more >>](#)

Second phase of CPEC to focus on agri, industrial cooperation: Chinese CG

Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-04

KARACHI: Not many Pakistanis have visited China to this day, but we are working and remain hopeful to create more opportunities so our friends from Pakistan can visit China, said Yang Yundong Consul General of the People’s Republic of China. He was hosting office bearers of the All Pakistan Newspapers Society at the Consulate. “Today we are happy to host you all friends at the Con..... [more >>](#)

CPEC entering new phase of high quality development: Shehbaz

Source: [APP](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-06-05

ISLAMABAD: As Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif departed for a five-day official visit to China on Tuesday, he said the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) had brought broad development opportunities to Pakistan and was entering the second phase of high-quality development. Shehbaz arrived here on the first leg of his five-day official visit to China from June 4 to 8, to meet the Chinese leadersh..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan, China agree to explore opportunities under CPEC

Source: [NNI](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-05

SHENZHEN: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif Tuesday met with Party Secretary of Shenzhen Municipal Committee and Deputy Party Secretary of Guangdong Provincial Committee Meng Fanli in Shenzhen China Tuesday. The Prime Minister noted that the deep-rooted ties between Pakistan and China were characterized by frequent engagement and dialogue at the leadership level, people-to-people contacts, cultur..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan, China agree on CPEC upgrade, advance to 2nd phase

Source: [Ag App](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-06-08

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China Friday affirmed their consensus on upgradation of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) and advancing the high-quality development to the second phase. In a meeting at the historic Great

Hall of the People in Beijing, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif and Chinese President Xi Jinping expressed their resolve to further deepen cooperation across diverse fields rangin..... [more >>](#)

China, Pakistan express commitment; CPEC to be insulated from adversaries

Source: [APP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-08

BEIJING: Pakistan and China on Friday expressed their firm commitment to protect the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) from its detractors and adversaries, besides, ensuring high-quality development and timely completion of its all ongoing projects. The bilateral ties and cooperation were discussed in the delegation-level talks between Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif and Chinese [more >>](#)

Second Phase

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-08

Prime Minister Shahbaz Sharif's visit to China is proving to be fruitful. So far, the delegation has signed 31 different Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) with Chinese companies across a vast range of fields, highlighting and strengthening the strategic partnership between the two nations at every turn. The key moment of this visit came on Friday when Prime Minister Shahbaz Sharif and C..... [more >>](#)

Islamabad, Beijing set focus on 'upgraded version' of CPEC: China

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-06-12

The Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs said Tuesday that an "upgraded version" of the multi-billion project — China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) — was the "centre" of bilateral talks with Islamabad during the recent visit of Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif to Beijing. Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Lin Jian conducted a briefing today in which he respon..... [more >>](#)

'China is ready to collaborate with all S. Asian countries to build a future of development and prosperity'

Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-01

ISLAMABAD: China is dedicated to assisting Pakistan in enhancing its manufacturing sector and export capabilities, this was stated by Economic Counsellor of China to Pakistan Yang Guangyuan in Islamabad during China-South Asia Business Council Exchange Symposium held at a local hotel in Islamabad. "China is ready to collaborate with all South Asian countries, including Pakistan, to buil..... [more >>](#)

Minister invites hi-tech investment in CPEC-II

Source: [APP](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-02

ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for Planning, Development, and Special Initiatives, Ahsan Iqbal visited Chengdu city in Sichuan, China, and had a comprehensive tour of the Chengdu High Tech Development Zone (CDHT). According to a press release issued by the Planning Commission on Saturday, the minister also met with Chengdu-based entrepreneurs, businessmen interested in becoming part of Phase-II..... [more >>](#)

Power generation component of DBDP; PM likely to seek Chinese investment

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-02

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif is likely to seek Chinese investment in power generation component of 4,500 MW Damer Bhasha Dam Project (DBDP) as borrowing capacity from the international capital and financial market is constrained due to sovereign credit rating and economic vulnerabilities amidst ongoing challenges posed by increasing external financing needs, sources close to Chairman [more >>](#)

To Beijing

Source: [Editorial, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-05

With a contentious budget waiting to be sorted out back in Islamabad, Prime Minister Shahbaz Sharif has left for Beijing with an extensive delegation, a significant portion of whom are businessmen and economic policymakers. The economic nature of the visit is emphasized by the fact that along with the meetings with President Xi Jinping and delegation-level talks with Premier Li Qiang in Beijing..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan, China sign 32 MoUs to forge economic cooperation

Source: [Ag App & Israr Khan, The News, International](#), 2024-06-06

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China Wednesday further forged their economic collaboration by signing 32 MOUs in energy, infrastructure development, farming, engineering, construction and logistics sectors. Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif is currently visiting China to attend the Pak-China Business Forum. Shehbaz arrived in Beijing on the second day of his five-day visit to China. He was slated to meet Pr..... [more >>](#)

Over 400 Pak youth obtain technical training under CPEC

Source: [INP, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-14

ISLAMABAD - In connection with China's endeavours to groom indigenous community with job-oriented training programs under CPEC, more than 400 local students have received modern training in Huaneng Pakistan Vocational & Technical College in Sahiwal, Punjab. Huaneng Pakistan Vocational & Technical College is operated by Huaneng Shandong Ruyi (Pakistan) Energy (Private) Limited (HS..... [more >>](#)

Research, Development & Capacity Building

China rates PM's visit highly

Source: [Shafqat Ali, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-06

ISLAMABAD - China is rating Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's ongoing visit highly as the two countries aim to boost bilateral cooperation further. Top Chinese officials in China told The Nation that China had been waiting for PM Sharif's visit for weeks. "We rate this visit very highly. We both aim to enhance cooperation and partnership to new levels," said a senior Chinese [more >>](#)

China for Youth Technicals Uplift.

Source: [Yasir Habib Khan, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-08

As CPEC enters its second phase, the focus on youth capacity building, international recognition, and localization is going full steam ahead. Credit goes to the holistic technical and vocational programs launched by Huaneng Shandong Ruyi (Pakistan) Energy (Private) Limited (HSRE), the owner of Sahiwal Power Plant. The upward trajectory for the professional grooming of Paki&s..... [more >>](#)

Technology & Innovation

Experts for benefitting from China's role on medicinal plant conservation

Source: [INP, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-06

CHITRAL - Pakistan can learn from China's holistic approach to medicinal plant conservation, which combines traditional knowledge, sustainable practices, and collaborative research. By combining indigenous wisdom with scientific advancement, both the countries can contribute to global efforts to protect these valuable resources. "China's achievements in large-scale landscape..... [more >>](#)

PM Shehbaz visits Zhongguancun Science Park

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-06

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday visited Zhongguancun Science Park, China's Silicon Valley in the outskirts of Beijing. He was accompanied by Deputy Prime Minister Mohammad Ishaq Dar and other members of the entourage. The prime minister was briefed on China's tech start-ups culture and the innovative environment and cutting-edge research taking place in the Science Park. T..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan eyes Chinese support to revitalise gemstones sector

Source: [INP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-07

ISLAMABAD - At the recent Pakistan-China Business Conference held in Shenzhen, China, Dr. Nawaz Ahmad Virk, Director General (Minerals) of the Government of Pakistan, outlined the country's progress and future plans for developing its gemstone industry. According to Gwadar Pro on Thursday, he highlighted the ongoing efforts to transform raw gemstones into high-value final products for the..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Engagement

MoUs News

SDPI, CUST ink MoU to promote joint research endeavours harnessing innovation, tech-revolution

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2024-06-04

ISLAMABAD, Jun 4 (APP): The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and the Capital University of Science and Technology (CUST) on Tuesday signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to promote joint research endeavours aimed at harnessing innovation and technology revolution. SDPI Joint Executive Director of SDPI Dr. Vaqar Ahmed and Dean of ORIC at CUST Professor Dr. Nayyer Masood signed t..... [more >>](#)

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SDPI Articles

Fixing the automobile sector

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Given its sensitive dependence on a bailout by the International Monetary Fund, the federal government is likely to unveil a budget for the financial year 2024-25 in line with the reforms advocated by the Fund. No wonder multi-national businesses having exposure in Pakistan are trying to persuade the IMF to recommend lower interest rates and oppose hi..... [more >>](#)

Restoring degraded ecosystems

Source: [Maryam Shabbir Abbasi](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-06-02

This year's World Environment Day is focusing on land restoration, desertification and drought resilience. The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is the global host this year because of their Saudi Green Initiative and the Middle East Green Initiative. The triple planetary crisis comprises climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution; together they are wreaking havoc on the world's ecosyst..... [more >>](#)

Trans fats hamper public health

Source: [Fatima Muzammil](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-02

Industrially Produced Trans Fatty Acids (ITFAs), which are found in every local diet, are a public health concern and a big challenge ahead. They are causing a notable increase in cardiovascular diseases and other chronic illnesses because of their harmful ingredients mainly produced after hydrogenating vegetable oils. In Pakistan's ongoing fight against non-communicable diseases, the culpri..... [more >>](#)

Deserts, droughts and determination

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-06-05

While the people of Pakistan are yet again braving severe heatwaves, the theme of this year's World Environment Day (which falls today) – 'Land Restoration, Desertification, and Drought Resilience' – is not just a call to action but a dire warning. Experts predict that by next year, nearly three-quarters of the world's population may be affected by drought. For..... [more >>](#)

Can our cities survive the climate crisis?

Source: [Zainab Naeem](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-06-07

"Only when the last tree has been cut down, the last fish been caught, and the last stream poisoned, will we realize we cannot eat money." This prophetic warning resonates deeply as we reflect on the environmental catastrophes that plague Pakistan. From devastating floods to relentless heatwaves and severe droughts, our nation stands at the front lines of climate change, grappling wit..... [more >>](#)

Achieving growth in export of services

Source: [Asif Javed](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-06-09

A n expanding services sector is providing sustained growth in many countries. Pakistan's export of services during FY 24 (July-February) was \$5,147 million, compared to \$5,079 million during the same period in the previous year. The service sector holds immense potential for growth. To unlock this potential, the country can follow valuable less..... [more >>](#)

Thinking pink

Source: [Arooj Waheed Dar](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-12

EVEN in 2024, women stand a long way from accessing equal opportunities with men. The persistent gender disparities across various spheres of life — education, employment, healthcare, and beyond — are stark reminders of the structural barriers confronting women in Pakistan. Despite efforts, the nation consistently lags on gender parity indices, raising concerns about the adequacy and s..... [more >>](#)

Budget FY25: Test of fiscal discipline

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-06-14

Walking a tightrope to balance income against expenditure without hurting the people and losing political capital has always remained a challenge for the finance minister of Pakistan who is making the federal budget for Pakistan. In the good old days, a common practice was to overstate revenue estimates, understate proposed expenditures, and at least in the budget documents adhere to the fiscal d..... [more >>](#)

SDPI News

Decarbonization of industrial sector imperative to drive growth amid CBAM regime: Experts

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2024-06-04

ISLAMABAD, Jun 3 (APP): The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) launched Pakistan's Industrial Decarbonization Program (PIDP) during the Policy Dialogue on Just Energy Transition in Pakistan that was conducted under the auspice of SDPI's Network for Clean Energy Transition (NCET). This significant dialogue brought together key stakeholders, including diplomatic missions, [more >>](#)

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Echoes of environmental resilience

Source: [Wallia Khairi](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-06-04

Under the relentless sun, symbolic of the advancing spectre of climate change, distant echoes echoed across the globe. These echoes in Pakistan reflected a country dealing with the consequences of nature's fury. Amidst the scorching heat worldwide, World Environment Day will be observed on the 5th of June. The theme of 'Land Restoration, Desertification, and Drought Resilience' f..... [more >>](#)

US economy on edge: signs of a looming recession

Source: [Muhammad Asif Noor](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-10

Editor's note: Muhammad Asif Noor, Founder, Friends of BRI Forum and Advisor to Pakistan Research Center, Hebei Normal University, China & Co-Founder, Alliance of China-Pakistan Research Centres. The article reflects the author's opinions and not necessarily the views of News.Az. The United States finds itself in the midst of a significant economic challenge as inflation stubbornly [more >>](#)

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Economists skeptical of Pakistan's projected 3.6 percent growth rate for next fiscal year

Source: [Aamir Saeed](#), [Arab News](#), 2024-06-02

ISLAMABAD: Pakistani economists on Saturday expressed skepticism over the government's claim it would be able to accelerate economic growth to 3.6 percent in the next fiscal year from 2.4 percent in the outgoing financial year, warning that employment and poverty rates could increase further in the coming months. Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's administration is expected to present th..... [more >>](#)

Expert and industry views on rate cut

Source: [Reuters](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-11

KARACHI: Central bank cut its key interest rate by 150 basis points on Monday in a widely expected move, marking its first rate reduction in nearly four years in its effort to boost growth amid a sharp decline in retail inflation. The decision to cut the key rate to 20.5% comes two days ahead of Pakistan's annual budget and a week after data showed inflation slowed to a 30-month low of 11..... [more >>](#)

Budget FY25: Balancing IMF terms with economic realities

Source: [Afreen Mirza](#), [Geo News](#), 2024-06-12

As the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) government gears up to present its first federal budget for the fiscal year 2024-25 on June 12, the looming shadow of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) shapes much of the financial discourse. The country's application for an \$8 billion new IMF loan programme underscores its reliance on international financial assistance, which comes with strin..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan budget sets big tax target ahead of IMF talks

Source: [Gibran Naiyyar Peshimam](#), [Asif Shahzad](#) and [Ariba Shahid](#), [Reuters](#), 2024-06-12

ISLAMABAD, June 12 (Reuters) - Pakistan has set a challenging tax revenue target of 13 trillion rupees (\$46.66 billion) for the year starting July 1, a near 40% jump from the current year, in its national budget on Wednesday that looked to strengthen the case for a new bailout deal with the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The ambitious revenue targets for the fiscal year through June 2025, pre..... [more >>](#)

Federal budget 2024-25: Can IMF measures sought by Pakistan sustain growth?

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune](#), [Islamabad](#), 2024-06-13

As Pakistan's government prepares to present its annual federal budget for 2024-25, it faces the daunting task of balancing domestic needs and the demands of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The government aims to increase the GDP growth rate to over 3.5 per cent from 2.38 per cent, following a nearly two-year economic slump caused by political instability. Prime Minister Shehbaz Shari..... [more >>](#)

Is Pakistan's crisis-ridden economy finally recovering?

Source: [Abid Hussain](#), [AlJazeera](#), 2024-06-12

Islamabad, Pakistan – The Pakistani government will present its annual budget on Wednesday, seeking to balance domestic commitments to the country's 240 million people and demands of fiscal prudence from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) – a key source of loans. Aiming to increase its gross domestic product (GDP) growth rate to more than 3.5 percent from 2.38 percent in th..... [more >>](#)

China helps Pakistan move towards knowledge-based economy

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation](#), [Islamabad](#), 2024-06-13

The second phase of CPEC focuses on enhancing people-to-people interaction to drive advancements in Pakistan's social sector. Key focus areas include education, vocational training, poverty alleviation, health and agriculture. Speaking to WealthPK, Dr Hassan Dawood Butt, former project director at CPEC and a senior adviser at Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), said Pakistan, w..... [more >>](#)

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Seminar News

Pak-China working group crucial for green energy transition

Source: [Rasheed Khalid, The News, International](#), 2024-06-01

Islamabad: Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri, Executive Director, Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), on Wednesday has said that Pakistan and China can collaborate for exploring the untapped potential of 'Green Minerals' under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) as it is the future fuel of the world. Dr Suleri was addressing high-level policy dialogue on "Reforms agenda [more >>](#)

Pakistan intends to restore 100,000 hectares land, achieve 6% forest cover: Romina

Source: [APP, Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2024-06-05

ISLAMABAD, Jun 05 (APP): Prime Minister's Coordinator on Climate Change, Romina Khurshid Alam on Wednesday said the country had envisioned to restore 100,000 hectares (ha) degraded land and intend to achieve 6 percent forest cover of the total area. She was addressing the World Environment Day seminar titled Land Restoration, Desertification and Drought Resilience: Our Land, Our Future joint..... [more >>](#)

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Collective action urged to adapt to 'new age of global warming'

Source: [Abdul Rasheed Azad, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-06-06

ISLAMABAD: With temperatures already crossing 52 degrees Celsius in many parts of the country, the United Nations (UN), Wednesday, called for collective action to adapt to the new age of global warming. Addressing the World Environment Day here, jointly organised by the UN, the Aga Khan Foundation, and the Ministry of Climate Change, Mohamed Yahya, the UN Resident Coordinator in Pakistan said th..... [more >>](#)

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SDPI held a conference at the World Environment Day

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SDPI organises discussion for protecting youth from tobacco

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Govt likely to increase levy on tobacco products

Source: [Abdul Rasheed Azad](#), [Business Recorder](#), [Islamabad](#), 2024-06-01

ISLAMABAD: The government intends to increase the levy on tobacco products by 30 percent in the upcoming budget in a bid to discourage smoking. This was stated by Muhammad Aftab Ahmed, project manager Tobacco Control Cell Ministry of National Health Services and Regulation while speaking at an event organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) on World Tobacco Day. He fur..... [more >>](#)

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Experts for joint efforts to control smoking among youth

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ISLAMABAD - Expressing grave concern over the rising trend of smoking in Pakistan, stakeholders and anti-tobacco experts at a discussion have revealed that over 1200 youth opt smoking per day in the country which needs concerted efforts at all levels to control smoking as it heavily costing the human health. The discussion was organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) to..... [more >>](#)

Workshop News

Pakistan's 49.6m tonnes solid waste termed potential source of energy

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Experts demand stakeholders' intervention to boost tax net

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ISLAMABAD: Experts at a workshop underscored the need for documentation of the national economy and income to drive a reformed taxation regime intended to enhance the tax net and regulate the untaxed sectors through a holistic and stakeholder-inclusive intervention. The Pre-Budget Consultative Workshop titled, "Optimising Revenue and Public Spending for Inclusive Growth" was organi..... [more >>](#)

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