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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
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China Study Centre

China & America trade conflict

Regressive decision

Source: [Huma Yusuf](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-20

AS I write this, 170 million Americans are wondering whether their TikTok apps will go dark, with many scrambling to retain access through VPNs. It is easy to dismiss news of the US TikTok ban as another example of US vs China macho posturing, particularly as many expect Donald Trump to find a way to circumvent the ban (on Sunday, he said he would delay its enforcement). But the ban is the latest [more >>](#)

Trump wants US to partly own TikTok, hints at delaying ban

Source: [AFP](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-20

WASHINGTON: Hours after TikTok went dark across the United States, President-elect Donald Trump called for the US to take part-ownership in TikTok and vowed to issue an executive order delaying a ban on the wildly popular app to allow time to "make a deal". Trump's announcement came on Sunday, as a deadline for its Chinese owners ByteDance to sell its US subsidiary to non-Chin..... [more >>](#)

New mode of warfare

Source: [Dr Ramesh Kumar Vankwani](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-01-31

DeepSeek, an AI model introduced by China, is being hailed as a game-changer in the artificial intelligence (AI) space, posing a significant challenge to US supremacy in the AI field. Combating the challenge of the ban imposed by Washington, China has managed to create AI models at a fraction of the cost incurred by US tech giants, including OpenAI and Meta Platforms. Although DeepSeek has been l..... [more >>](#)

America First Unmasked

Source: [Zhao Shiren](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-20

Donald Trump returns to the White House today, and his doctrine of America First will again become the focus of contention for the international community and regional countries. America First has always haunted the world with different brandings, one after another. America First is, by nature, a populist policy and an imperial quest to maintain US political hegemony. For a long time, the US ha..... [more >>](#)

US versus China: the battle for rare earth dominance

Source: [Qamar Bashir](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-24

During Scott Bessent's confirmation hearing for US Treasury Secretary before the Senate Finance Committee, significant concerns were raised regarding China's dominance in the rare earth elements (REEs) market. The Committee underscored that China controls approximately 70 percent of global rare earth mining and nearly 90 percent of refining capacity, a near-monopoly that grants Beijing..... [more >>](#)

Trump's tariff card against China

Source: [Gohar Ali Khan](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-27

KARACHI: US President Donald Trump has announced that a new 10% across-the-board tariff on Chinese goods could be imposed as soon as February 1. If he follows through on his threat, what will cost the Americans more? Unlike Mexico and Canada, which largely avoid tariffs on exports to the United States because of the USMCA (the United States-Mexico-Canada) trade agreement which Trump signed in hi..... [more >>](#)

DeepSeek disruption

Source: [Editorial, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-31

Every once in a while, a technological breakthrough comes along that forces a revolution reverberating across the globe. This week, that moment arrived with DeepSeek R1 - a \$6 million Chinese AI startup that has done what Silicon Valley thought was impossible. For years, the AI landscape has been dominated by a handful of players - OpenAI, Google DeepMind and Anthropic - that have built increasin..... [more >>](#)

Economic Growth & Governance

Follow China

Source: [Mushtaq Khan, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-18

A SERIES of articles in the New York Times (NYT) seems to justify protectionism. One article lists the mind-boggling statistics of China's trade balance on goods and services: adjusted for inflation, China's trade surplus in 2024 far exceeded any country in the past century — its trade surplus last year was \$990 billion. It doesn't stop there. The value of China's [more >>](#)

Pak-China Relations / Foreign Affairs

Gwadar Airport China's gift for Pakistan: PM

Source: [Mateen Haider, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-22

ISLAMABAD - Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Tuesday said that Gwadar International Airport will not only benefit the economy of Balochistan but the entire country. The prime minister while presiding over the federal cabinet meeting in Islamabad also said that the Gwadar International Airport, constructed with 230 million dollars Chinese grant, is a gift for Pakistan from China and we should ho..... [more >>](#)

Chinese New Year celebrated

Source: [Bureau Report, The News, International](#), 2025-01-29

PESHAWAR: A ceremony was arranged here on Tuesday at the China Window to mark the Chinese New Year and Spring Festival. A press release said Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Chief Secretary Nadeem Aslam Chaudhry and Inspector General Police Akhtar Hayat Khan attended the function as chief guests. Squash legend Qamar Zaman was present there as well along with others. The chief secretary emphasized the historic..... [more >>](#)

Chinese citizens seek to withdraw petition against 'police harassment' in Karachi

Source: [Ishaq Tanoli, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-29

KARACHI: Six Chinese citizens, who had moved the Sindh High Court against alleged police harassment a couple of days ago, on Tuesday filed an application seeking withdrawal of their petition. On Jan 24, the SHC had issued notices to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Chinese Embassy in Pakistan and its consulate in Karachi and federal and provincial law officers on a petition filed by four Ch..... [more >>](#)

Chinese envoy calls on PM to discuss economic cooperation

Source: [News Desk, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-31

The Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to Pakistan, Jiang Zedong, called on Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif at the Prime Minister's House in Islamabad. The meeting focused on discussions related to economic cooperation and security matters between the two nations. The Prime Minister extended his warm wishes to the Chinese ambassador on the occasion of the Chinese New Year and con..... [more >>](#)

Arora, Chinese envoy discuss bilateral ties

Source: [Our Correspondent](#) , [The News, International](#) , 2025-01-23

LAHORE: Punjab Minorities Minister Ramesh Singh Arora Wednesday visited the Chinese Consulate in Lahore and held a meeting with Chinese Consul-General Zhao Shiren and discussed strengthening bilateral ties, particularly in the areas of minority empowerment, economic development, and cooperation between both the countries. The minister highlighted the longstanding friendship between Pakistan and Ch..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan, China vow to elevate bilateral ties

Source: [Naveed Siddiqui](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2025-01-29

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China have expressed their commitment to elevating bilateral relationships to new heights, further solidifying their strategic partnership. The Chinese Ambassador, Jiang Zaidong, met Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar to discuss matters of mutual interest and review bilateral ties. Responding to recent media speculations, Foreign..... [more >>](#)

Police must ensure strict security of Chinese nationals: IGP

Source: [Salis bin Perwaiz](#), [The News, International](#) , 2025-01-24

Sindh police chief Ghulam Nabi Memon on Thursday said police should ensure complete security to Chinese nationals. He also said that clearance of police and private security personnel tasked with the security of Chinese nationals should be mandatory from the relevant agencies. IG Memon chaired a meeting at the Central Police Office to review the movement and security of Chinese nationals, experts..... [more >>](#)

Pak-China Trade

Air Link launches Xiaomi TVs in Pakistan through Select Technologies

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2025-01-16

Air Link Communication Ltd. is pleased to announce that its wholly owned subsidiary, Select Technologies (Pvt) Ltd., has officially launched Xiaomi TVs in Pakistan. The launch event, held at the Lahore Expo Center, marks a significant milestone in the country's consumer electronics sector. Xiaomi's full range of innovative and high-performance televisions will now be locally dist..... [more >>](#)

Chinese bus company delegation meets Sharjeel

Source: [News Desk](#), [The News, International](#) , 2025-01-17

A delegation of a Chinese bus manufacturing company called on Sindh Senior Minister Sharjeel Inam Memon in Karachi. The meeting was attended by Secretary Transport Asad Zamin, Managing Director Sindh Mass Transit Authority Kamal Dayo, and officials from the Chinese bus manufacturing company. The Chinese company delegation briefed Senior Minister Memon about their latest range of buses for both ur..... [more >>](#)

Pak-China forum explores strategies for Golden Ring

Source: [Our Correspondent](#) , [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2025-01-17

LAHORE: China's contemporary technology can play a pivotal role in boosting Pakistan's economic growth and the adoption of advanced technologies in sectors such as agriculture, energy and manufacturing will enhance productivity and efficiency, said Pakistan-China Joint Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCJCCI) President Nazir Hussain. He was speaking at a meeting hosted by the PCJCCI on T..... [more >>](#)

Pakistani, Chinese companies sign MoUs worth \$250m to boost medical equipment trade

Source: [APP / Dawn.com](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-01-18

Pakistani and Chinese companies have signed memorandums of understanding (MoUs) worth around \$250 million to boost trade in the medical and surgical sector, the Associated Press of Pakistan (APP) reported on Saturday.

Pakistan has held strong bilateral relations with China which has supported it through many investments and development projects such as the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor proje..... [more >>](#)

Sindh signs agreement to set up Dhabeji special economic zone

Source: [Tahir Siddiqui](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-19

KARACHI: The Sindh government signed an agreement with Chinese and local investors on Saturday to establish the Dhabeji Special Economic Zone under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) Phase II, which is expected to attract \$3 billion in investment and create over 100,000 jobs. The agreement was signed by Sindh Economic Zones Management Company Chief Executive Abdul Azeem Uqaili, [more >>](#)

Pak-China MoUs

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-19

The recent signing of MoUs worth \$250 million between Pakistani and Chinese companies to enhance the trade of medical equipment marks a promising development for Pakistan's struggling economy. This partnership signifies not only economic collaboration but also a strategic move towards strengthening Pakistan's healthcare infrastructure. As global demand for high-quality medical equipmen..... [more >>](#)

Ahsan praises Chinese workers over completion of CPEC Phase-I projects

Source: [APP](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-23

ISLAMABAD: Minister for Planning, Development and Special Initiatives Professor Ahsan Iqbal on Wednesday acknowledged the services of Chinese workers, technicians and engineers for successfully completing CPEC Phase-I projects in collaboration with the Pakistani workforce. The successful completion of the CPEC Phase-I projects, located in parts of the country, is a symbol of the everlasting frien..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan eyes China's pineapple farming expertise

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-23

BEIJING - As Pakistan seeks to diversify its agricultural sector and boost exports, it stands to gain valuable insights from Xuwen County in southern China, which is renowned as the "Pineapple Capital of China". With decades of expertise, Xuwen has transformed pineapple farming into a thriving industry, offering Pakistan an opportunity to adopt similar techniques for sustainable agr..... [more >>](#)

Chinese firm to manufacture robotic agri equipment in Punjab

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-01-24

LAHORE: A delegation of China's AI Force Tech Company, led by CEO Han Wei, called on Punjab Minister for Agriculture and Livestock Syed Ashiq Hussain Kirmani at the Punjab Assembly on Thursday. The delegation included Director of Research and Development Guo Wei, Senior Product Manager Li Weihua, Product Director Liu Jikai, and Director of International Business Tausif Abbas. The provincial..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's sesame seed exports to China surpass \$226m in 2024

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-27

BEIJING - Pakistan's exports of sesame seeds to China exceeded \$226 million in 2024, marking a significant development in bilateral trade relations. This export growth reflects the increasing demand for Pakistani agricultural products in the Chinese market and highlights potential areas for further economic cooperation, according to Ghulam Qadir, Trade and Investment Counsellor at Pakistan & r..... [more >>](#)

China committed to Gwadar Port, Balochistan uplift: Chinese embassy

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-28

ISLAMABAD - The Chinese embassy in Pakistan yesterday said China was committed to Gwadar Port and development of Balochistan. Responding to a media inquiry, the embassy spokesperson dismissed The Guardian's article's reported quotation of a Chinese diplomat as "completely untrue" and devoid of credibility. The spokesperson rejected the article's rhetoric, accusing the..... [more >>](#)

Nasir vows facilitation; Chinese co to invest \$340m in manufacturing, charging plants

Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-30

KARACHI: A Chinese company has shown interest to invest \$340 million in manufacturing electric vehicles and charging plants in Pakistan. Sindh's Energy Minister Syed Nasir Hussain Shah said the Sindh government would provide all kinds of facilities to the Chinese company. "If the Chinese company manufactures electric vehicles in Pakistan, the Sindh government will purchase more th..... [more >>](#)

Chinese investors fully protected in Punjab: Shafay

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-01-22

LAHORE: Provincial Minister for Industries and Commerce Chaudhry Shafay Hussain said that Chinese investors and their investments in Punjab are fully protected. He said that better agricultural production can be achieved with good seeds, so the Chinese group should consider investing in seed development. He said that Punjab is an agricultural province and there is a huge scope for investment in th..... [more >>](#)

Chinese investment boosts Pakistan's inward FDI in first half of FY2024-25

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-22

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan has seen an increase in inward Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) during the first half of FY2024-25, with inflows reaching \$1,329 million compared to \$1,107 million during the same period in the previous fiscal year, according to the latest data from the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP). This represents a 20% year-on-year increase, reflecting growing investor confidence and heigh..... [more >>](#)

Chinese investors file petition in SHC

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-24

Chinese investors have filed a plea in the Sindh High Court (SHC), alleging harassment and extortion by Sindh police officials. The petition claims that police officers demand bribes from the investors at various points, including from the airport to their residences, and hinder their daily activities. The Federal Ministry of Interior, Chief Secretary Sindh, Inspector General of Sindh Police, and o..... [more >>](#)

Punjab to have robotic equipment plant Beijing AI firm to invest in agriculture, waste management sectors

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-25

LAHORE: Punjab Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif's visit to China has begun bearing fruit within six weeks with foreign investment started coming into the province. For the first time in the province, e-mechanisation of environment-friendly agriculture and solid waste management has started. An MoU signing ceremony for modern AI-based machinery for solid waste by Beijing AI Force Tech was h..... [more >>](#)

Govt collaborates with BGI to enhance agriculture, food security

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-29

Minister for National Food Security Rana Tanveer Hussain has said the government is working with international partners to improve agricultural productivity, ensure food security and support farmers with innovative solutions. Talking to a delegation of BGI Group in Islamabad, he expressed the resolve to introduce modern technologies in the agriculture. The Minister highlighted the potential for [more >>](#)

SHC issues notices on Chinese nationals' plea against restrictions on movement

Source: [Jamal Khurshid](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-01-25

The Sindh High Court on Friday issued notices to the Sindh inspector general, the ministry of foreign affairs, Chinese embassy and others on a petition of Chinese nationals against unjustified restrictions on their movement in name of security issues. Petitioners Xu Hui and others, Chinese nationals residing in Karachi for business purposes, submitted in the petition that they were facing extreme..... [more >>](#)

Chinese investors to approach SHC; Home Minister instructs IGP to appoint senior IO

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-26

KARACHI: Sindh Home Minister Zia-ul-Hassan Lanjar has taken notice of the Chinese investors' decision to approach the Sindh High Court, issuing instructions to the IGP Sindh to immediately appoint a senior inquiry officer (IO) for a comprehensive investigation into the matter. This is aimed at further strengthening the unwavering trust of Chinese investors in the Sindh Government and Si..... [more >>](#)

Ensuring Safety

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-26

The recent attack on a convoy of Chinese nationals in Gwadar is a stark reminder of the precarious security situation in Pakistan. This incident, in which militants targeted individuals contributing to projects under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), not only endangers lives but also jeopardises the foundation of a partnership that has been a cornerstone of Pakistan's economic asp..... [more >>](#)

LoS extension stays pending; Chinese firm agrees to delay Kohala project

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-22

ISLAMABAD: Chinese company China Three Gorges South Asia Investment (SCAIL), has reportedly agreed to delay its 1,124 MW Kohala Hydropower Project because Letter of Support (LoS) extension remains pending due to concerns raised by the Power Division regarding electricity costs and the review of IGCEP framework, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. The Power Division maintains that it..... [more >>](#)

Regional Integration under B&R +CPEC

SMEs engagement in CPEC stressed

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-01-17

LAHORE: Punjab Board of Investment and Trade (PBIT) and the Chinese mission in Pakistan underscored the transformative potential of deepening bilateral collaboration under the framework of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). PBIT Chairman Muntaha Ashraf held a strategic meeting with Yang Guangyuan, Minister-Counsellor of the Chinese Embassy, in Islamabad. Their dialogue focused on advanc..... [more >>](#)

'Integrate Uraan into CPEC phase 2' Experts highlight significance of structural reforms, Chinese collaboration

Source: [Gohar Ali Khan](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-21

KARACHI: To promote prosperity and eliminate abject poverty, economic nationalists urged the government to form think tank corridors and incorporate all 5Es of Uraan Pakistan in the second phase of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). The five-year national economic transformation plan titled Uraan Pakistan, was recently launched by Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif. It focuses on the 5Es; Expor..... [more >>](#)

Gwadar 2025 Gwadar is no longer just a vision—it is a reality in the making.

Source: [Yasir Habib Khan](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-30

Once a sleepy fishing town and the largest slum in the region, Gwadar struggled with abysmal infrastructure, limited trade opportunities, and chronic socio-economic stagnation. For decades, it remained in a dire state, but today, Gwadar is gradually embracing modernisation under the framework of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). Maintaining law and order remains a challenge, yet Gwad..... [more >>](#)

First flight lands at new Gwadar airport

Source: [Saleem Shahid](#), [Behram Baloch](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-21

GWADAR: Pakistan's largest airport, the Gwadar International Airport, became operational on Monday with the landing of the first PIA flight from Karachi carrying 46 passengers. Defence Minister Khawaja Asif and Balochistan Chief Minister Mir Sarfraz Bugti welcomed the passengers of the inaugural flight with flowers. Addressing the gathering at a grand ceremony on the occasion, the fede..... [more >>](#)

Envoy highlights strong China-Pakistan ties

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-26

ISLAMABAD: On the occasion of the "Chinese New Year, We Celebrate Together" celebration, Ambassador Jiang Zaidong of the Chinese Embassy in Pakistan delivered a heartfelt speech, reflecting on the deepening ties between China and Pakistan, while marking the significance of the upcoming Spring Festival, or Lunar New Year. Ambassador Jiang began by warmly welcoming guests and expressing [more >>](#)

Technology & Innovation

China does more with less

Source: [Shahab Jafry](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-30

The sudden rise of DeepSeek has been fascinating and instructive on so many levels. Just like that, it forced US-China headlines away from Trump's tariffs, triggered a trillion-dollar bloodbath on Nasdaq, sent the volatility index (VIX) skyrocketing, rattled the US technology establishment and poked big holes in American tech giants' justifications for sky-high valuations and closed ec..... [more >>](#)

New mode of warfare

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SDPI's Engagement

Dialogue News

Experts call for private sector action on WASH

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2025-01-21

ISLAMABAD, Jan 21 (APP): Experts call upon the private sector to act on Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH), which together is a key component of achieving sustainable development and a fundamental aspect of the global sustainable development goals. Speaking at a policy dialogue organized by WaterAid Pakistan in partnership collaboration with the Sustainable Development Policy (SDPI), they sug..... [more >>](#)

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حفظان صحت کے مسائل کے حل کیلئے پالیسی اصلاحات ناگزیر: ماہرین

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2025-01-21

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) ماہرین کا کہنا ہے کہ پاکستان میں پائیدار واش خدمات کی فراہمی کے لئے کثیرالجہتی تعاون، شواہد پر مبنی پالیسی سازی اور جدید حل اختیار کرنا ناگزیر ہیں۔ ماہرین نے اس بات پر زور دیا کہ پانی، صفائی اور حفظان..... [more >>](#)

ایس ڈی پی آئی کا پاکستان میں واش کے مسائل پر توجہ مرکوز کرتے ہوئے نجی شعبے کے کردار کو اجاگر کرنے کیلئے پالیسی ڈانڈیلاگ کا انعقاد

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-01-21

اسلام آباد (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 21 جنوری 2025ء) پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) نے پاکستان میں واش کے مسائل پر توجہ مرکوز کرتے ہوئے نجی شعبے کے کردار کو اجاگر کرنے کے لئے ایک پالیسی ڈانڈیلاگ کا..... [more >>](#)

SDPI Articles

Transforming WASH

Source: [Muhammad Awais Umar](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-01-16

Access to safe Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) is crucial for sustainable development, especially in areas vulnerable to climate change, pandemics, and conflicts. Pakistan's commitments to achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as a pathway to sustainable development and economic growth call for aligning policies, investments, and initiatives with SDGs to foster progress across..... [more >>](#)

Ending policy stagnation

Source: [Ahad Nazir](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-01-19

Despite recent signs of relief, the national economy remains precariously perched on the edge of deep crisis. The current GDP growth projection of 3.5 percent for 2024, after years of stagnation, has been celebrated as an

achievement. Yet, this recovery lacks the substance of deliberate, well-crafted policy reforms. Instead, it appears to be the econo..... [more >>](#)

Planning for power

Source: Dr Khalid Waleed, [The News, International](#), 2025-01-23

Integrated economic planning for Pakistan's power sector requires a comprehensive approach that addresses the multifaceted challenges faced by the sector today. At its core, this planning should aim to synchronise policies, investments, and operational decisions across all segments of the power sector – generation, transmission, and distribution – while aligning them with the br..... [more >>](#)

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Women & power

Source: Abdullah Khalid, [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-01-24

IN the boiling summer of 1947, as Pakistan took its first breaths as an independent nation, women stood alongside men in the corridors of power, though few could have predicted how their role would transform in the decades to come. The story of women's political participation in Pakistan is not just a chronicle of laws and reforms; it's a narrative of resilience, adaptation, and g..... [more >>](#)

Towards Healthier Beauty

Source: Khadija Hasan, [Daily Times](#), 2025-01-24

Mercury is ranked one of the most hazardous and toxic chemicals by the World Health Organization. One of the major culprits contributing to this toxin's amplification in the environment is the cosmetics industry. From anti-ageing creams and eye makeup to skin whitening products and some coloured cosmetics, mercury has found its way into a wide range of beauty products. Pakistan has especial..... [more >>](#)

The economics of Article 6

Source: Dr Khalid Waleed, [The News, International](#), 2025-01-26

I n international climate governance, Article 6 of the Paris Agreement represents a beacon of hope and innovation. It provides a mechanism through which nations can cooperatively tackle the pressing challenge of climate change. The operationalisation of this provision at the recent conference of parties (COP-29) marked a watershed moment, promising the..... [more >>](#)

Is climate finance in jeopardy?

Source: Zainab Naeem, [The News, International](#), 2025-01-27

In her book, 'The Social Contract', philosopher Jean-Jacques Rousseau emphasised the interconnectedness of individual actions within a collective. This philosophy resonates globally when addressing shared challenges such as climate change. When a country as influential as the United States of America withdraws from the Paris Agreement, the implications extend beyond its borders, espec..... [more >>](#)

Leveraging NDCs

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-01-27

The term 'Nationally Determined Contributions' (NDCs) might sound like an abstract policy framework to some, but it is the beating heart of the Paris Agreement, adopted in 2015. This international treaty, ratified by nearly all nations, aims to combat climate change by keeping global temperature rise this century well below 2.0 C above pre-industrial levels, with efforts to limit it to..... [more >>](#)

Will it be a dream to ride through fully autonomous vehicles?

Source: [Brig \(Retd\) Mohammad Yasin](#), [Daily Times](#), 2025-01-28

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