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## About SDPI

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 1860.2

## 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, 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.*

## **Themes 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)

### **A comparative analysis of BRI, B3W (PGII) and BUILD**

Source: [Shakeel Ahmad Ramay](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-02-09

China launched the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) to contribute to global economic growth and help countries pursue their sustainable development goals. BRI creates economic opportunities and builds infrastructure through win-win cooperation. More importantly, China is not imposing projects or its model of development; investments under the BRI are tailored to each country's needs. Despite i..... [more >>](#)

## China & America trade conflict

### **Is this China's moment?**

Source: [Kamran Yousaf](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-02

It is hard to miss the optics. Western leaders, once at the forefront of efforts to "contain" China, are now lining up to engage Beijing, openly and pragmatically. US President Donald Trump's disruptive approach has shaken the foundations of the so-called rules-based international order and China appears to be quietly stepping into the diplomatic vacuum. Following a recent visit by ..... [more >>](#)

### **Different Track**

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-05

Having failed to browbeat China through an extended trade war and the recurring threat of arms sales to Taiwan, the United States under President Donald Trump appears to be shifting tracks. The new approach is framed around cooperation, trade agreements, and positive incentives, aimed at drawing Beijing into a more accommodating posture. For the moment, China no longer seems to be treated as adver..... [more >>](#)

### **G2 dialogue Trump dialogue with Xi signals mutual respect, focusing on coexistence, broadening trade, AI, minerals cooperation**

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-06

President Trump and his Chinese counterpart Xi Jinping's tête-à-tête has pushed the envelope of cooperation, irrespective of the fact that they have issues to differ. The telephonic conversation, however, underscored the need for adhering to the principle of "mutual respect" in an endeavour to achieve the goals of peaceful coexistence and broader cooperation in an..... [more >>](#)

### **Consistent Xi vs oscillating Trump — and Pakistan**

Source: [Imtiaz Gul](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-07

Consistent messaging inspires confidence and evokes respect. Self-respect enables you to talk straight. True national pride and a commitment to the country empower you to take the bull by the horns – without fear or favour. This also helps in articulating your priorities – regardless of what the other side thinks. This is what President Xi Jinping did to his American counterpart in the..... [more >>](#)

### **The elements of power**

Source: [Maleeha Lodhi](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-09

RARE earth and critical minerals are the newest arena of competition between the big powers. While China dominates the global supply of these minerals, the US is trying to catch up by rushing to strike mineral resources deals with several countries and taking other initiatives. Over the decades, China built a near-monopoly in the extraction and processing capacity of rare earth minerals, which ..... [more >>](#)

**Expanding footprint**

Source: [Aizaz Ahmad Chaudhry](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-15

AT a time when the world is in disarray, there's one voice which hasn't lost faith in a rules-based order, globalisation and interdependence. It is the voice of the People's Republic of China, whose president floated the concept of building "a community with shared future for mankind". This concept seeks to build an orderly multipolar world predicated on openness, inc..... [more >>](#)

## Economic Growth &amp; Governance

**China set to widen footprint in Bangladesh as India's ties decline**

Source: [Tora Agarwala](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-11

China's influence in Bangladesh, boosted by the 2024 ouster of New Delhi-aligned leader Sheikh Hasina, is likely to deepen after this week's election, although politicians and analysts say India is too large a neighbour to be sidelined completely. Bangladesh votes on February 12 and the two frontrunner parties have historically had far cooler ties with India than Hasina did during..... [more >>](#)

## Governance / Trade &amp; Services

**China strongly condemns terrorist attacks in Balochistan**

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-04

BEIJING - China on Tuesday strongly condemned the terrorist attacks carried out in Balochistan last Saturday and reiterated its unwavering support for Pakistan in the fight against terrorism. Speaking at a regular press briefing, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Lin Jian expressed deep condolences for the victims and extended sincere sympathies to the injured and the bereaved families. He e..... [more >>](#)

## Pak-China Relations / Foreign Affairs

**Special protection unit being established for Chinese nationals: Naqvi**

Source: [APP](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-02-06

ISLAMABAD: Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi said on Thursday that the government was establishing a dedicated Special Protection Unit in Pakistan aimed at strengthening the security of Chinese nationals involved in various ongoing projects across the country. In a meeting with Chinese Ambassador Jiang Zaidong, Naqvi reaffirmed the enduring Pakistan-China strategic partnership. The minister welcomed..... [more >>](#)

**China 'stands in complete solidarity' with Pakistan: envoy**

Source: [APP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-06

ISLAMABAD: Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi and Chinese Ambassador Jiang Zaidong reaffirmed the enduring Pakistan China strategic partnership during a high-level meeting at the Ministry of Interior on Thursday. Minister Naqvi welcomed Ambassador Zaidong upon his arrival and received strong condemnation from China over the recent terrorist attacks targeting civilians and security forces in Baloc..... [more >>](#)

**Islamabad blast Xi sends condolence to Zardari**

Source: [Reuters](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-02-10

BEIJING: Chinese President Xi Jinping on Monday sent a message of condolences to Pakistani President Asif Ali Zardari over last week's deadly explosion in Islamabad. Xi "strongly condemned the violence and terrorist acts against innocent civilians", and said China would support Pakistan in fighting terrorism, according to the state-run Xinhua news agency. .... [more >>](#)

### **President extends best wishes to Chinese people on New Year**

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-15

ISLAMABAD - President Asif Ali Zardari has extended Spring Festival greetings and best wishes to the Chinese people on behalf of the Pakistani people before the upcoming Chinese New Year. "Happy New Year!" he said in Chinese in a recent interview with the Chinese media here. He hoped that the two countries would further strengthen cooperation in various fields and pass on the Pakistan-..... [more >>](#)

### **China condemns Islamabad imambargah attack, says it supports Pakistan in safeguarding national security**

Source: [News Desk](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-08

China condemned on Sunday the deadly suicide bombing at an imambargah in Islamabad earlier this week, asserting that it "firmly supports" the Pakistani government in safeguarding national security and stability. "China is deeply shocked by the deadly explosion in Pakistan's capital Islamabad and the heavy casualties it has inflicted. China mourns for the lives lost, and ..... [more >>](#)

### **China condemns Islamabad mosque bombing**

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-08

China has strongly condemned the deadly attack on a mosque in Islamabad, expressing solidarity with Pakistan and pledging support for the government's efforts to maintain national security and stability. In a statement issued on Sunday, the Chinese foreign ministry said it was "deeply shocked" by Friday's attack, which left at least 31 people dead in the deadliest such i..... [more >>](#)

## Pak-China Trade

### **Pakistan's sports products exports to China surge in 2025**

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-03

BEIJING - In 2025, Pakistan's sports products exports to China have recorded impressive growth, with significant gains across a range of categories, including basketballs, footballs, volleyballs, sports gloves, and outdoor game equipment. According to the latest trade data from the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China, Pakistan exported a total of 1,35..... [more >>](#)

### **Pakistan medical exports to China cross \$11.4m**

Source: [China Economic Net](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-04

BEIJING: Pakistan's exports of medical, surgical and precision instruments to China exceeded \$11.41 million in 2025, reflecting steady expansion in higher-value manufacturing segments, according to data released by the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC). GACC data showed medical and veterinary instruments and appliances remained the largest export ..... [more >>](#)

### **Pakistan, China to boost liaison in intelligence sharing, cybercrime prevention**

Source: [Iftikhar A. Khan](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-06

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China on Thursday agreed to enhance cooperation in intelligence sharing and cybercrime prevention. The understanding was reached during a meeting between Federal Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi and Chinese Ambassador in Pakistan Jiang Zaidong. Upon his arrival at the Ministry of Interior, the Federal Interior Minister welcomed the Chinese Ambassador. During the meeting..... [more >>](#)

**Pak-China agri ties deepen as multiple MoUs inked**

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-06

ISLAMABAD - A delegation of Chinese agricultural experts and industry leaders recently concluded a visit to the University of Agriculture Faisalabad (UAF), with the signing of several MoUs. It paved the way for enhanced technological collaboration and market integration between the two nations, according to China Economic Net (CEN). The visit, hosted by the Confucius Institute at UAF (CI-UAF), ..... [more >>](#)

**Pakistan's cutlery exports to China rise 5pc in 2025**

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-06

BEIJING - Pakistan's exports of tools, implements, cutlery and related articles of base metal to China continued to grow in 2025, reaching \$8.14 million, up from \$7.76 million in 2024, representing a year-on-year increase of about 5%, according to the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China (GACC). Customs data showed that hand tools led the export basket..... [more >>](#)

**Pak exhibitors shine at Sichuan festival**

Source: [China Economic Net](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-08

CHENGDU: The 29th China (Sichuan) New Year Shopping Festival, one of the nation's premier annual trade and cultural events, is currently in full swing in Chengdu from January 30 to February 11, with a parallel session taking place in Chongqing. This year's festival features an expansive 50,000-square-metre main exhibition area in Chengdu, attracting over a thousand enterprises from 36 co..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-08

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**Pakistani technology entrepreneur wins major innovation award**

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-09

BEIJING - A Pakistani technology entrepreneur has gained international recognition after winning a major innovation award at the 13th Chaoyang International Talent Entrepreneurship Conference (ITEC 2025) in Beijing on February 7, 2026, underscoring the growing role of global talent in China's innovation-driven development strategy. Abdul Rehman, Co-Founder of the AgriTech startup SmartSoil A..... [more >>](#)

**China to invest \$800m in maritime Will implement sea-to-steel, shipbreaking project; help revive steel mill**

Source: [Zafar Bhutta](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-14

ISLAMABAD: A Chinese firm is likely to invest \$800 million in Pakistan to implement the Integrated Maritime Industrial Complex (IMIC) project, which includes a sea-to-steel initiative at Port Qasim, shipbreaking and maintenance. The project will attract investment from the Chinese company towards ship recycling and ship maintenance along with revival of Pakistan Steel Mills (PSM) and an iron ore..... [more >>](#)

### **UAP, Chinese varsity join hands for research collaboration**

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2026-02-02

PESHAWAR: University of Agriculture Peshawar (UAP) and Northwest Agriculture and Forestry University China signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen academic and research collaboration. Prof. Emeritus Dr. Jehan Bakht, Vice Chancellor of University of Agriculture Peshawar and Prof. Dr. Zhang Lixin, Chairman, Silk Road Bio Health Agri. Industry Alliance, Northwest Agriculture and ..... [more >>](#)

### **Ahsan defends: Chinese power plants over hefty repayments**

Source: [Mehtab Haider](#), [The News, International](#) , 2026-02-10

ISLAMABAD: Minister for Planning Ahsan Iqbal on Monday defended the Chinese power plants for charging hefty capacity repayments, arguing that Beijing had invested to generate 8000 megawatts when no one was ready to invest even a penny in Pakistan's power sector. He said now there was no justification to ask China to amend the sovereign agreements because there was a surplus of electricity a..... [more >>](#)

## Regional Integration under B&R +CPEC

### **CPEC seen as key to unlocking Balochistan's economic potential**

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2026-02-02

KARACHI: Balochistan, which holds around 75% of Pakistan's mineral wealth, is emerging as a central pillar of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), with policymakers and analysts stressing that development, stability and prosperity in the province are closely tied to the success of the multibillion-dollar connectivity project. The long coastline of Balochistan, the province rich in co..... [more >>](#)

### **CPEC 2.0 to hail industrial phase**

Source: [Usman Hanif](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2026-02-05

KARACHI: China-Pakistan ties are set to enter the 75th anniversary of diplomatic relations in 2026 with a renewed push to advance CPEC 2.0, centred on five pillars: growth, livelihood, innovation, green development and openness, speakers said at a seminar on economic diplomacy organised by the Economic Diplomacy Forum. Addressing the gathering, Chinese Consul General Yang Yundong described the u..... [more >>](#)

### **'No reopening Chinese energy debt'**

Source: [Shahbaz Rana](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2026-02-10

ISLAMABAD: Planning Minister Ahsan Iqbal on Monday ruled out renegotiating over \$15 billion in Chinese energy debt deals and said that Beijing should not be victimised for Pakistan's own faults, taking a clear stance after multiple attempts by the finance and power ministries to reopen these contracts failed. "Pakistan should honour its commitments and others should not be blamed for ou..... [more >>](#)

## Research, Development &amp; Capacity Building

**Two Pakistani candidates shortlisted to train for China space station mission**

Source: [News Desk](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-07

Two candidates have been shortlisted for Pakistan's Human Spaceflight Programme by the Astronauts Centre of China (ACC), the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) said on Saturday. In February 2025, Pakistan's Space and Upper Atmosphere Research Commission (Suparco) and China Manned Space Agency (CMSA) had signed a cooperation agreement. Under the pact, two Pakistanis would train i..... [more >>](#)

**Breaking Orbit**

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-08

The announcement that two Pakistani candidates have been shortlisted for advanced astronaut training in China, with one poised for a spaceflight mission to the Tiangong space station, provides a rare and welcome narrative of ambition and potential in a country often defined by its domestic challenges. At a time when public discourse is dominated by fragmentation and short-term crisis, this deve..... [more >>](#)

## SDPI's Engagement

## Dialogue News

**'Electricity prices promoting clean energy transition without public financing'**

Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-02-01

Islamabad: Stakeholders and policy experts witnessing Pakistan's record-breaking rooftop solar movement facing a critical turning point warned that the proposed Prosumer Regulations 2025 risk dismantling a decade of citizen-led energy progress. During national consultative dialogue convened by Pakistan Renewable Energy Coalition (PREC) and the Alliance for Climate Justice and Clean Energy ..... [more >>](#)

**Proposed regulations could undermine solar energy boom: experts**

Source: [Ikram Junaidi](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-01

ISLAMABAD: Stakeholders and policy experts, while witnessing Pakistan's record-breaking rooftop solar movement facing a critical turning point, warned that the proposed Prosumer Regulations 2025 risk dismantling a decade of citizen-led energy progress. At a national consultative dialogue convened by the Pakistan Renewable Energy Coalition (PREC) and the Alliance for Climate Justice and Clea..... [more >>](#)

**Pakistan must take up transboundary water conflicts at world forums: expert**

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-02-11

ISLAMABAD, Feb 11 (APP): Pakistan's major water woes emanate from the Indus Water Treaty brokered between India and Pakistan in 1960, so the country should take up unilateral suspension of the treaty at regional and international forums to spotlight and resolve transboundary water conflicts. This was stated by Naseer Memon, the renowned water expert and Senior Advisor of Sustainable Devel..... [more >>](#)

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## MoUs News

### CCP, SDPI Collaborate on Market Research for Inclusive Growth

Source: [News Desk](#), [Headline.pk](#), 2026-02-01

The Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) and the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen collaboration in research, policy analysis, and evidence-based recommendations aimed at promoting competitive and inclusive markets. The signing ceremony was attended by Dr Kabir Ahmed Sidhu, Chairman CCP, and Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri. Sen..... [more >>](#)

## Press Releases

### SDPI Retreat Sets Agenda for Policy Engagement

Source: [News Desk](#), [Islamabad Mail](#), 2026-02-03

The Sustainable Development Policy Institute convened its annual SDPI retreat in Islamabad to review institutional performance, conduct a SWOT exercise and set policy priorities for 2026 and beyond. Faculty and staff took part in a daylong stocktake that identified emerging opportunities and mapped initiatives to strengthen the Institute's relevance on national and international stages. Dr ..... [more >>](#)

### Boosting SDPI Policy Impact with Policy Solutions Lab

Source: [News Desk](#), [Daily Peak Point](#), 2026-02-03

The Sustainable Development Policy Institute convened its annual strategic policy retreat in Islamabad to take stock of institutional performance and set priorities for 2026. Staff and faculty carried out a focused SWOT exercise, identified emerging opportunities and agreed on policy directions to sharpen SDPI policy work and public engagement. IMF Resident Representative Dr Mahir Binici, attendi..... [more >>](#)

پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی پاکستان کا کردار خوش آئند: نمائندہ آئی ایم ایف

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Daily Nawa e Waqt](#), 2026-02-03

اسلام آباد (نمائندہ خصوصی) عالمی مالیاتی فنڈ (آئی ایم ایف) کے پاکستان میں خصوصی نمائندہ ڈاکٹر ماہر بینجی نے پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) کے سالانہ مشاورتی فورم میں اظہار خیال کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ تھنک ٹی..... [more >>](#)

### 'Complex research be translated into accessible language'

Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-02-06

Islamabad: Dr Mahir Binici, Resident Representative, International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Pakistan, has encouraged Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) to translate complex research into accessible language for wider public and policy engagement, noting that digital technology and AI enabled tools can help think tanks bridge the gap between technical work and public understanding. Dr Bi..... [more >>](#)

### Hasty amendments to netmetering regulations risk undermining powersector reform and regulatory credibility

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2026-02-11

ISLAMABAD, Feb 10 (SABAH): Giving his stance on the recent amendments to netmetering (prosumer) regulations, Dr. Khalid Waleed, Research Fellow at SDPI, explained that the decision reflects a reactive and incomplete approach to powersector reform, prioritizing shortterm fiscal optics over structural planning, regulatory autonomy, and the strategic use of distributed solar as a national asset. He..... [more >>](#)

**Recent trade diplomacy moves by India no threat to Pakistani exports: Dr Suleri**Source: [CT Report](#), [Customs Today](#), 2026-02-10

ISLAMABAD: Recent trade diplomacy moves involving India, the European Union and the United States do not pose an immediate or existential threat to Pakistan's exports, however, it may tighten the competitive environment and reduce the margin of error for Pakistani exporters. This was stated by Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri, the Executive Director of Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI)..... [more >>](#)

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نیٹ میٹرننگ قوانین میں ترامیم پاور سیکٹر اصلاحات، ریگولیٹری اعتماد کے لئے خطرہ : ڈاکٹر خالد ولید

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Daily BBC Report](#), 2026-02-10..... [more >>](#)

بھارت کے تجارتی معاہدوں سے پاکستانی برآمدات کو فوری خطرہ نہیں، عالمی تجارت اب روایتی معاشی اصولوں کے بجائے سیاسی فیصلوں اور غیر یقینی حالات کے تحت چل رہی ہے، ڈاکٹر عابد قیوم سلہری

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-02-10

اسلام آباد (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبار تازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 10 فروری 2026ء) بھارت کے تجارتی معاہدے پاکستان کے لئے خطرے کی گھنٹی نہیں بلکہ بہتر تیاری کا پیغام ہیں، بدلتی دنیا میں مسابقت ہی اصل طاقت ہے، عالمی تجارت اب روایتی معاشی اصولوں کے [more >>](#)..... □

## SDPI Articles

**Blaming solar for a broken power sector**Source: [Engr. M. A. Jabbar and Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-02-05

The renewed proposal to amend Pakistan's net-metering regulations and compress incentives for rooftop solar is being presented as a technical correction to stabilize the power sector. In reality, it risks becoming a strategic misstep with long-term fiscal, regulatory, and systemic consequences. Pakistan's electricity crisis is not the result of excessive solar adoption; it is the outco..... [more >>](#)

**Net-metering?**Source: [Shoaib Aziz](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-02-06

At the end of 2025, the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) proposed replacing net metering with the Prosumer Regulation 2025, citing concerns about financial losses to distribution companies and alleged cross-subsidies borne by non-solar consumers. The proposal has triggered strong opposition from industry groups, chambers of commerce, solar vendors, environmental organisations ..... [more >>](#)

**Pakistan in the new trade order**Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-02-08

Trade diplomacy today is being redefined – driven less by textbook economic theory and more by the instinct to protect against uncertainty, as tariffs fluctuate with little warning, compliance rules shift mid-stream and market access is increasingly shaped by politics rather than price alone. It is in this environment that friends and foes of the US are negotiating or deepening trade arrang..... [more >>](#)

### **Pulses and food insecurity**

Source: [Dua Mobeen & Khansa Naeen, The News, International](#), 2026-02-10

Pulses offer a combination of high nutritional value, economic accessibility and environmental sustainability. Often referred to as 'smart food', they are essential for addressing malnutrition, improving soil health and supporting climate-resilient agriculture. Because food insecurity exists outside discourse, it is a lived reality for many. Over the years, various national plans and ..... [more >>](#)

### **How Systems Normalise Corruption And Turn Ordinary People Unethical**

Source: [Sarah Siddiq Aneel, The Friday Times](#), 2026-02-11

They say one should not speak ill of the dead. But memory has its own ethics, and sometimes the truth sits quietly inside nostalgia. My late uncle used to take us on long drives across Punjab—Gujrat, Sialkot, parts of Faisalabad, and Lahore. We were children, so the journeys felt like adventures. At every stop, factory managers welcomed him warmly. We left with boxes of shoes, crockery se..... [more >>](#)

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### **Shining gold, nervous economy**

Source: [Umar Farooq, The News, International](#), 2026-02-12

The remarkable surge in gold prices over the past two years is no longer just a financial headline; it has become a powerful indicator of how deeply uncertainty has penetrated the global and domestic economic situation. Across international trading floors and local bazaars in Pakistan, gold has once again reclaimed its historic role as the ultimate safe-haven asset. In early 2026, international b..... [more >>](#)

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### **Friedman on the rooftop**

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri, The News, International](#), 2026-02-14

For decades, I believed Milton Friedman's line, "only a crisis, actual or perceived, produces real change", did not apply to us. Pakistan has lived through one crisis after another, yet the root causes of these crises often seemed stubbornly unchanged. And then, unexpectedly, Friedman became relevant. I am referring to Pakistan's solar revolution. Between 2022 and 2025, im..... [more >>](#)

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