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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 the Newsletter**

The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) publishes a bi-monthly e-newsletter through its **China Study Centre** to keep researchers, policymakers, and stakeholders informed about emerging developments relating to China, regional cooperation, connectivity, trade, diplomacy, and broader geopolitical and economic trends.

The newsletter is a compilation of relevant reference material, including news reports, analytical commentaries, and Op-Eds published in leading national and international media outlets.

## About the China Study Centre

As China's global role continues to expand across trade, technology, finance, climate governance, connectivity, and development cooperation, understanding the evolving dynamics of China and Pakistan-China relations has become increasingly important for informed policymaking and strategic engagement.

In this context, the **China Study Centre** at the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) serves as a platform for research, policy dialogue, and knowledge exchange on issues of regional and global significance.

Established in 2018, the Centre aims to bridge the research-policy gap by generating evidence-based analysis and fostering informed discourse on emerging geopolitical, economic, technological, and developmental trends linked to China and the broader region. Particular emphasis is placed on the opportunities and challenges arising from the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), regional connectivity initiatives, trade and investment cooperation, climate action, innovation ecosystems, and people-to-people exchanges.

The Centre works closely with universities, government institutions, think tanks, businesses, media, and civil society organisations to promote collaborative research, policy engagement, capacity building, and knowledge sharing. By drawing lessons from China's development experience and policy evolution, the Centre seeks to contribute to sustainable economic transformation, regional cooperation, and evidence-informed decision-making in Pakistan.

Through its publications, dialogues, and analytical work, the China Study Centre aspires to strengthen understanding of China's changing role in the global order and support constructive engagement that advances sustainable development, economic resilience, and regional stability.

## **Media Sources Covered**

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

## **Thematic Focus Areas**

The newsletter covers emerging developments, policy debates, research insights, and strategic trends relating to China, Pakistan-China relations, and regional cooperation, with a particular focus on:

1. Pakistan–China Bilateral Relations and Strategic Cooperation
2. China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)
3. Regional Integration under the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)
4. Business, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship
5. Trade, Investment, and Tourism
6. Energy, Climate Change, and Environmental Sustainability
7. Social Development and Public Policy
8. Capacity Building, Learning, and Skills Development
9. Economic Growth, Governance, and Development Policy
10. Research, Technology, and Knowledge Exchange
11. Chinese History, Language, and Culture
12. Open Knowledge and Information Resources
13. SDPI Events, Policy Dialogues, Visits, and Publications

# China Study Centre

## China & America trade conflict

### **Beyond the war: China's moment?**

Source: [Imtiaz Gul](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

World is navigating a what is driven by an extremely unpredictable and arrogant US President. The unavoidable outcomes are a fracture within the western alliance, visible shift of global power, essentially from the north to south, endorsement of China's global engagement regime rooted in multilateralism and respect for sovereignty of other nations. The US position as the sole superpower and an..... [more >>](#)

## Economic Growth & Governance

### **Pakistan must draw lessons from China's development model, says Bol minister**

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

ISLAMABAD - Federal Minister for Board of Investment Qaiser Ahmed Sheikh addressed a high-level policy dialogue titled "Strengthening Governance and Implementation Strategies for CPEC 2.0" held at the Institute of Regional Studies, Islamabad. The event brought together policymakers, diplomats, and experts to deliberate on the future trajectory of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor in..... [more >>](#)

### **China: production giant to consumption giant...**

Source: [Shakeel Ahmad Ramay](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-20

It is a well-established principle of economics a country's production capacity determines its economic strength and level of development. Production capacity also plays a crucial role in rise and fall of empires. China understood these fundamental realities, invested heavily in manufacturing capacity, and transformed itself into a global manufacturing powerhouse — earning title of &ld..... [more >>](#)

### **World Needs "China Shock" 2.0**

Source: [Dr Imran Khalid](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

The global economic discourse in the spring of 2026 is dominated by a single, apprehensive phrase: China Shock 2.0. From the halls of the European Commission to campaign trails in the United States, the narrative is consistent. It suggests that a second wave of Chinese industrial exports—focused on high-tech sectors such as electric vehicles, lithium-ion batteries and renewable energy infras..... [more >>](#)

## Energy, Environment & Climate Change

### **A Historic Step**

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-23

The selection of two Pakistani astronauts for China's manned space programme is more than symbolism. It is a historic step that could reshape Pakistan's technological trajectory and deepen its strategic partnership with China in high-end innovation. For decades, Pak-China cooperation has centred on infrastructure, energy and defence. This move into human spaceflight marks a decisive s..... [more >>](#)

## History, Language &amp; Culture

**NLPD, CMG celebrate 'World Book Day' with literary event**

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD - National Language Promotion Department (NLPD), in collaboration with China Media Group (CMG), organized a special event on Thursday to mark World Book Day. Titled "Understanding Our 75 Years," the event was held at the NLPD premises and aimed to highlight literary and cultural ties, as well as shared historical perspectives between Pakistan and China. The ceremony showcased..... [more >>](#)

## Pak-China Relations / Foreign Affairs

**China-Pakistan relations enter new era with Confucius Centre at CSA**

Source: [Asif Mahmood Butt](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-17

LAHORE: Marking what officials described as a transition from traditionally strong military cooperation to deeper institutional engagement, a Confucius Corner part of a Chinese Information Resource Centre was inaugurated at the Pakistan Administrative Service (PAS) campus of the Civil Services Academy (CSA), signalling a new phase in relations between the Chinese government and Pakistan's ci..... [more >>](#)

**KU celebrates 75 years of Pakistan-China diplomatic relations**

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-23

KARACHI - The Confucius Institute at the University of Karachi in collaboration with the KU's International Department and Students' Advisor Office on Wednesday arranged an important conference on the completion of 75 years of diplomatic relations between China and Pakistan and in connection with the Chinese Language Day. In this conference, academics, intellectuals, and policymakers..... [more >>](#)

**China reaffirms firm support for Pak sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity**

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-24

LAHORE: The Consul General of China in Lahore, Sun Yan, on Thursday underscored the enduring strength of China-Pakistan relations describing them as an "All-weather Strategic Cooperative Partnership" rooted in mutual trust shared development and unwavering support through decades. Addressing a certificate distribution ceremony for officers of the 53rd Common Training Programme at the ..... [more >>](#)

**PM, Chinese envoy discuss Middle East situation**

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD: Amid the uncertainty surrounding talks between the United States and Iran, Chinese Ambassador to Pakistan Jiang Zaidong met Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday to discuss the situation in the Middle East. According to the PM Office, PM Shehbaz conveyed his warm regards to President Xi Jinping and Premier Li Qiang. Expressing satisfaction with the positive trajectory of bilateral ..... [more >>](#)

**Art competition held to mark 75 years of Pakistan-China friendship**

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-25

RAWALPINDI - A ceremony and painting competition were held at Government Graduate College for Women, B-Block Satellite Town, to mark 75 years of Pakistan-China friendship, with participation from students of 20 colleges across the district. The event aimed to pay tribute to the longstanding ties between Pakistan and China while promoting creative expression among young students. Participants prese..... [more >>](#)

### President pays tribute to Chairman Mao in his hometown

Source: [Syed Irfan Raza, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD: President Asif Ali Zardari, who is currently on an official visit to China, on Tuesday visited Shaoshan, hometown of Chairman Mao Zedong, the founder of the People's Republic of China. During the visit, President Zardari laid a wreath at Statue Square and paid tribute to China's revolutionary leader. Earlier, the president was received by Li Jiyang, senior party leader of Xi..... [more >>](#)

### Four-Point Proposition Jointly Promoting Peace in the Middle East

Source: [Jiang Zaidong, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-21

Ever since the U.S.-Israel military strikes against Iran, the conflict in the Middle East has been continuing and spreading, with the shadow of regional conflict lingering and spillover risks escalating. Meanwhile, calls for promoting peace and ending conflicts have grown increasingly strong, and efforts to mediate and facilitate dialogue have never ceased. Bringing the region back to peace, stabi..... [more >>](#)

### Chinese envoy meets PM, praises peace efforts

Source: [Zulfiqar Ahmad, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD: China Ambassador to Pakistan, Jiang Zaidong, on Thursday praised Pakistan's efforts to promote peace in the Middle East and pledged continued support for strong bilateral ties. In a meeting with Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, Jiang spoke of the strategic partnership between the two countries and discussed regional developments, including Pakistan's role in recent US-Ira..... [more >>](#)

### Relations with China cornerstone of Pakistan's foreign policy, says Zardari

Source: [Asim Yasin, The News, International](#), 2026-04-27

ISLAMABAD: President Asif Ali Zardari underscored that Pakistan-China ties remain a cornerstone of Pakistan's foreign policy and continue to enjoy broad-based support. President Asif Ali Zardari, currently visiting Changsha in Hunan province of China, held a meeting with Shen Xiaoming, Party Secretary of Hunan Province, and attended a banquet hosted in his honour by Governor of Hunan Provin..... [more >>](#)

### China-backed health initiative launched in Balochistan

Source: [Staff Correspondent, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-26

QUETTA: A major initiative in the health sector has been formally launched in Balochistan with the support of the Chinese government, aimed at improving healthcare facilities for mothers and newborns in 100 medical centres across seven districts of the province. The project is being described as an important step toward strengthening the maternal and child healthcare system and ensuring the provi..... [more >>](#)

## Pak-China Trade

### Naqvi vows to address concerns of Chinese investors

Source: [NNI, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

KARACHI: Interior Minister Syed Mohsin Naqvi on Wednesday met with Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah and Chinese Consul General in Karachi Yang Yundong. Speaking to the Chinese consul general during his visit to Chinese Consulate Karachi, the Interior Minister said that the Chinese businessmen were playing an important role in the development of the country. The two officials held..... [more >>](#)

### Aurangzeb steps up economic diplomacy, engages China, global stakeholders in Washington

Source: [Our Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

ISLAMABAD - Federal Finance and Revenue Minister Senator Muhammad Aurangzeb, during the fourth day of the IMF-World Bank Spring Meetings in Washington, held extensive high-level engagements with Chinese leadership,

global financial institutions, investors and media, highlighting Pakistan's improving macroeconomic outlook and efforts to mobilise external financing and strengthen strategic eco..... [more >>](#)

### Value addition key to China exports

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-21

KARACHI: Pakistan cannot transform its export mix to China without targeted investment in value-added production, Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) Senior Vice President Saquib Fayyaz Magoon has said during a meeting with Consul General Shahzad Ahmed in Shanghai, according to a statement issued on Monday. Both sides agreed that agriculture and food sectors hold imm..... [more >>](#)

### Pakistan's exports to China climb 45.79pc in Q1

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-22

BEIJING - Pakistan's exports to China rose 44.79 percent in the first quarter of 2026 from a year earlier, with steady month-on-month growth and demand expanding across several Chinese provinces. This was reported by China Economic Net (CEN) on Tuesday quoting data from the General Administration of Customs of China (GACC). Pakistan's exports to China totalled more than \$927 million in..... [more >>](#)

### Pak pavilion in Wuhan boosts e-commerce trade push

Source: [INP](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-27

ISLAMABAD: Inside the Pakistan pavilion at the Wuhan Financial Holdings Central China Trade Service Zone, two live-streamers sit before a display of gemstones and jewelry, pitching their sparkle to online viewers across China. Their rapid-fire Mandarin sales talk reflects a broader ambition: to turn Pakistan's niche exports into mainstream products for Chinese consumers, China Economic Ne..... [more >>](#)

### Pakistan, China agree to deepen cooperation in desalination, agriculture, tea production sectors

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-27

Pakistan and China on Monday signed three memorandums of understanding (MoUs) in Changsha, covering water desalination in Karachi, agricultural technology, and cooperation in the tea sector, according to an official statement shared by the presidency. The MoUs aim to enhance cooperation across industrial sectors, support the development of the tea industry, and strengthen economic, trade, and p..... [more >>](#)

### President Zardari underscores industrial coop, tech partnership during visit to China

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-27

Changsha, China - President Asif Ali Zardari on Sunday underscored the importance of bolstering industrial and technological cooperation with China, where he visited a heavy equipment manufacturer. The president arrived in China on Saturday for a week-long visit to the Hunan and Hainan provinces for engagements related to economic and trade cooperation. He will remain in Hunan's Changsha cit..... [more >>](#)

### Pakistan Pavilion in Wuhan opens new export gateway to China

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-27

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### President witnesses 3 MoUs signing in China

Source: [Asim Yasin, The News, International](#), 2026-04-28

ISLAMABAD: President Asif Ali Zardari on Monday witnessed the signing of three memorandums of understanding between Pakistani and Chinese entities in Changsha, covering desalination, agricultural technology and tea industry cooperation. The MoUs reflect a focused effort to advance practical collaboration in key sectors. The first MoU was concluded between the local government, Sindh, and the Luci..... [more >>](#)

### Pakistan, China sign MoUs to boost desalination, agri technology, tea sector cooperation

Source: [News Wire, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-28

CHANGSHA (CHINA) - Pakistan and China on Monday signed three memoranda of understanding to strengthen bilateral cooperation in the fields of desalination, agricultural technology and tea industry. President Asif Ali Zardari witnessed the signing of the MoUs between Pakistani and Chinese entities. First MoU was concluded between the Local Government, Government of Sindh and Lucion Environmental Te..... [more >>](#)

### China to hand over first Hangor Class Submarine to Pakistan Navy today

Source: [Mateen Haider, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

Islamabad - Pakistan Navy on Wednesday (today) will get first Hangor Class Submarine in Chinese city Sanya. President Asif Ali Zardari will be witnessing the handing over ceremony of the state of the art submarine by Chinese authorities. Chief of Naval staff Admiral Naveed Ashraf also reached Sanya to attend the ceremony. The advanced AIP-equipped submarine features cutting-edge air-independen..... [more >>](#)

### China's role key to Central Asia linkages Pakistan, Tajikistan agree to boost transit trade via diversified corridors

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has informed Tajikistan that enhanced cooperation with China will remain central to strengthening regional connectivity amid plans to develop an integrated commercial corridor to connect with Central Asia. Pakistan has recently opened six land routes to access Central Asian states through Iran. The move seems to be enabling Iran to carry its 3,000 containers stuck on Pakistan..... [more >>](#)

### PM calls for gradual shift to electric vehicles

Source: [Syed Irfan Raza, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday said the country must gradually transition towards eco-friendly electric vehicles (EVs) and also expressed displeasure over the non-functional early warning system installed in Gilgit-Baltistan. Chairing a high-level meeting on energy security, the prime minister emphasised energy security as a key pillar of future planning and expressed satisf..... [more >>](#)

### President invites greater Chinese investment to priority sectors

Source: [APP, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

SANYA, HAINAN, (CHINA): President Asif Ali Zardari on Wednesday met CEO of Hangzhou Jinjiang Group Wang Jian, and encouraged the company to expand its footprint in Pakistan, particularly in energy, industrial and agricultural sectors. During the meeting, the president was briefed that the group is already engaged in multiple projects in Pakistan and ranks among the top 100 business groups in ..... [more >>](#)

### Zardari, Chinese leaders discuss cooperation

Source: [Syed Irfan Raza, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-27

ISLAMABAD: President Asif Ali Zardari, currently on an official visit to China, met the leadership of Hunan province on Sunday to discuss cooperation in agriculture, trade, health and education sectors. According to the Presidency, the president held a meeting with Shen Xiaoming, Party Secretary of Hunan, and attended a banquet hosted in his honour by Governor Mao Weiming. During the me..... [more >>](#)

**NexGen Auto, Chery partner to launch iCAUR NEVs in Pakistan with Nishat Group**

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-27

NexGen Auto, a prominent automotive distributor and subsidiary of the Nishat Group in Pakistan and Chery Group, a global leader in the automotive industry from China are proud to announce another significant addition to their strategic partnership by introducing iCAUR branded New Energy Vehicles (NEVs) in Pakistan. As one of Pakistan's leading business groups, Nishat Group operates across..... [more >>](#)

**Zardari in China on week-long visit**

Source: [Asim Yasin](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-26

ISLAMABAD: President Asif Ali Zardari reached Changsha, China, on week-long visit from April 25 to May 1, 2026. He was warmly welcomed by Hu Xusheng, Vice Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Hunan Provincial People's Congress. Ambassadors of China in Pakistan and Pakistan in China were also present on the occasion. Earlier, President Asif Ali Zardari departed for China on Saturday. P..... [more >>](#)

## Regional Integration under B&amp;R +CPEC

**CPEC Phase II gains momentum CG Yundong says Pak-China strategic deals have entered final stage**

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

KARACHI: Chinese Consul General Yang Yundong has said that key discussions between Pakistan and China regarding CPEC Phase II, water storage technology, and new energy projects have entered their final stages. He expressed strong support for Pakistan's diplomatic role, stating that China backs Pakistan's mediation efforts between Iran and the United States, and acknowledged Pakistan'..... [more >>](#)

**CPEC brings 261,000 jobs as China-Pakistan ties turn 75**

Source: [INP](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-22

Islamabad: As China and Pakistan mark the 75th anniversary of diplomatic relations, their "all-weather strategic cooperative partnership" has delivered \$25.93 billion in investment, major infrastructure and more than 261,000 jobs under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor. According to a fact sheet released by the Chinese Embassy in Islamabad, and reported by Gwadar Pro on Tuesday, CP..... [more >>](#)

**Zardari reaches China to discuss trade, CPEC**

Source: [From the Newspaper](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-26

ISLAMABAD: President Asif Ali Zardari arrived in China on Saturday for discussions focused on economic and trade cooperation, as well as the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). He landed at the Changsha Huanghua International Airport in China's Hunan province. He was received by Hu Xusheng, the vice chairman of the Standing Committee of the Hunan Provincial People's Co..... [more >>](#)

## Research, Development &amp; Capacity Building

**BHC CJ, delegation to attend Forum of Local Courts of China**

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-26

ISLAMABAD: The Supreme Court of Pakistan continues to advance its vision of a modern, technology-enabled and globally connected judiciary through sustained and structured judicial cooperation with the People's Republic of China. The signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Supreme People's Court of China (August 2025) marked an important milestone in this journey, estab..... [more >>](#)

**Number of students choosing China for medical education**

Source: [INP](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-25

Islamabad: A rising number of Pakistani students are choosing China for medical education, drawn by world-class facilities, supportive policies and deepening academic cooperation between China and Pakistan. Zahid Khan, a cardiology postgraduate student at Xinjiang Medical University, is a vivid example of this life-changing journey. “Everything here, the laboratories, hospitals, and professor..... [more >>](#)

Technology, Trade & Innovation

**China fighter jet giant’s sales surge after India-Pakistan clash**

Source: [News Desk](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-30

China’s AVIC Chengdu Aircraft Co, maker of the fighter jets that rose to fame in the India-Pakistan conflict last year, posted record profit in 2025 and saw first-quarter sales nearly double according to Bloomberg. Revenue rose 15.8 per cent to 75.4 billion yuan (\$11 billion) in 2025, with profit up 6.5 per cent to 3.4 billion yuan, the jetmaker said in a statement Tuesday night. Both are t..... [more >>](#)

# SDPI's Engagements

## High-Level Meeting with IMF Resident Representative

### IMF flags economic slowdown risks for Pakistan amid Middle East conflict

Source: [Imran Ali Kundi](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD - Dr Mahir Binici, Resident Representative of International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Pakistan, has said that the ongoing Middle East conflict is likely to create a significant economic slowdown and heightened risks across the Middle East, North Africa, Afghanistan and Pakistan (MENAP) region. He was speaking at an outreach session here at Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI),..... [more >>](#)

## Collaboration

### 5,000 mangroves planted to support coastal resilience

Source: [Faraz Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-22

The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and Cargill, in partnership with the Mangrove Biodiversity Park, Karachi, held a mangrove plantation event on Wednesday at the Mangrove Biodiversity Park, Korangi Creek. The event included the planting of 5,000 mangrove saplings, including three native species selected for their resilience: *Avicennia marina* (Grey Mangrove), *Rhizophora mucronata* ..... [more >>](#)

### 5,000 mangroves planted in Indus Delta to help store carbon, support coastal resilience

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-04-22

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Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2026-04-22

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### 5,000 Mangroves Planted in Indus Delta to Help Store Carbon, Support Coastal Resilience

Source: [Bureau Report](#), [Daily Mutik](#), 2026-04-23

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### New initiative aims to strengthen coastal mangrove cover

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [Metro Morning](#), 2026-04-23

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**کراچی کے ساحلی علاقوں میں مینگرو شجرکاری مہم کا آغاز**

Source: **Staff Reporter**, [Daily Jang](#), 2026-04-23

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) کارگل پاکستان نے (ایس ڈی پی آئی) کے ساتھ شراکت داری میں کراچی کے ساحلی علاقوں میں مینگرو شجرکاری مہم کا آغاز کر دیا ہے۔ ایس ڈی پی آئی کے جاری بیان کے مطابق اس اقدام کا مقصد تباہ شدہ مینگرو جنگلات کی [more >>](#)..... □

**ساحل کے ساتھ مینگرو شجرکاری کا آغاز**

Source: **City Desk**, [Dunya News](#), 2026-04-23

کراچی (سٹی ڈیسک) ایس ڈی پی آئی متعدد فورمز پر موسمیاتی تبدیلی کے اثرات کو کم کرنے میں پاکستان کی وکالت کرنے میں سب سے آگے رہا ہے۔ موسمیاتی تبدیلی کی وزارت کے ساتھ تعاون کے ذریعے، اس نے ٹین بلین ٹری فارورسٹیشن پروجیکٹ سمیت [more >>](#)..... □

**کارگل اور ایس ڈی پی آئی کے اشتراک سے کراچی کے ساحل پر مینگرو بحالی مہم کا آغاز**

Source: **APP**, [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-04-22

اسلام آباد-22 اپریل (اے پی پی): پاکستان میں ماحولیاتی تحفظ اور موسمیاتی تبدیلی کے اثرات سے نمٹنے کے لیے ایک اہم پیش رفت سامنے آئی ہے، جہاں کمپنی کارگل پاکستان نے (ایس ڈی پی آئی) کے ساتھ شراکت داری میں کراچی کے ساحلی علاقوں میں [more >>](#)..... □

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Source: **SABAH**, [SABAH News](#), 2026-04-22

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) پاکستان میں ماحولیاتی تحفظ اور موسمیاتی تبدیلی کے اثرات سے نمٹنے کے لیے ایک اہم پیش رفت سامنے آئی ہے، جہاں کمپنی کارگل پاکستان نے (ایس ڈی پی آئی) کے ساتھ شراکت داری میں کراچی کے ساحلی علاقوں میں مینگرو [more >>](#)..... □

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Source: **APP**, [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-22

اسلام آباد (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبار تازہ ترین - اے پی پی)۔ 22 اپریل 2026ء پاکستان میں ماحولیاتی تحفظ اور موسمیاتی تبدیلی کے اثرات سے نمٹنے کے لیے ایک اہم پیش رفت سامنے آئی ہے، جہاں کمپنی کارگل پاکستان نے (ایس ڈی پی آئی) کے ساتھ شراکت داری میں کراچی کے ساحلی علاقوں میں مینگرو [more >>](#)..... □

**کراچی کے ساحل پر مینگرو جنگلات کی بحالی کی بڑی مہم کا آغاز**

Source: **SABAH News**, [Jasarat](#), 2026-04-23

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) کراچی کے ساحلی علاقوں میں مینگرو جنگلات کی بحالی کے لیے کارگل پاکستان اور ایس ڈی پی آئی نے مشترکہ مہم شروع کر دی ہے۔ ڈاکٹر عابد قیوم سلہری کے مطابق یہ جنگلات ساحلی کٹاؤ کو روکنے اور کاربن کریڈٹ کے [more >>](#)..... □

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Source: **Staff Reporter**, [Daily Markaz](#), 2026-04-23

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**Consultative Discussions**

**Experts call for adopting strategies to minimise heatwave, drought risks**

Source: **APP**, [Daily Times](#), 2026-04-21

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**Experts for localized adaptation strategies to minimize heatwave & drought risks**Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-04-20

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ISLAMABAD, April 20 (SABAH): Highlighting climate extreme events as most serious challenges in the way of macroeconomic developments, experts at a consultation stressed the need for urgent, coordinated, and locally-driven strategies to minimize intensifying heatwaves and drought risks in Pakistan. The consultation, titled: Heat and Drought Adaptation Strategies in Pakistan, was organized by Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI)..... [more >>](#)

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اسلام آباد (اپنے نامہ نگار سے) ماہرین ماحولیات، پالیسی سازوں اور موسمیاتی سائنسدانوں نے خبردار کیا ہے کہ پاکستان میں شدید گرمی اور خشک سالی..... [more >>](#)

**پاکستان میں شدید گرمی اور خشک سالی کے خطرات میں اضافہ، ماہرین نے ہنگامی اقدامات پر زور دے دیا**Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-20

اسلام آباد (اردو پوائنٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 20 اپریل 2026ء) ماہرین ماحولیات، پالیسی سازوں اور موسمیاتی سائنسدانوں نے خبردار کیا ہے کہ پاکستان میں شدید گرمی اور خشک سالی جیسے بڑھتے ہوئے موسمیاتی خطرات کی زد میں..... [more >>](#)

**پاکستان میں شدید گرمی اور خشک سالی مجموعی ترقی کے لئے بڑا خطرہ ہے : ماہرین**Source: [News Report](#), [SABAH News](#), 2026-04-20

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) ماہرین ماحولیات، پالیسی سازوں اور موسمیاتی سائنسدانوں نے خبردار کیا ہے کہ پاکستان اس وقت شدید گرمی کی لہروں اور خشک سالی جیسے بڑھتے ہوئے موسمیاتی خطرات کی زد میں ہے جو نہ صرف زرعی پیداوار اور معیشت..... [more >>](#)

**Strengthening Heatwave Adaptation Across Pakistan**Source: [News Desk](#), [Peak Point](#), 2026-04-20

Experts at a consultation convened by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute urged immediate, locally driven heatwave adaptation to protect lives, livelihoods and Pakistan's development gains from intensifying heat and drought hazards. Zainab Naeem, Head of Ecological Sustainability and Circular Economy at SDPI, warned that global warming trends and abnormal ocean temperature rises no..... [more >>](#)

**Experts for Zero-Waste pathways to cut methane, plastic emissions in Pakistan's climate plans**Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-04-22

ISLAMABAD, Apr 22 (APP): Experts at a consultation called for practical measures to reduce waste-sector emissions, tackle plastic pollution, and strengthen Pakistan's climate commitments under its Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs). The consultation, titled: Earth Day 2026: Waste Sector Emissions, Plastics, and NDC Pathways in Pakistan, was organized by Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI)..... [more >>](#)

**Pakistan Advances Zero Waste and Methane Reduction**Source: [News Desk](#), [Peak Point](#), 2026-04-22

A consultation in Islamabad on 22 April 2026 brought together policy experts, researchers and civil society to push Pakistan toward practical zero waste and methane reduction pathways as part of updated Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)..... [more >>](#)

Contributions. The event, organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute in partnership with the Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives Working Group, focused..... [more >>](#)

### Experts For Zero-Waste Pathways to Cut Methane, Plastic Emissions in Pakistan's Climate Plans

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Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Daily Nawa e Waqt](#), 2026-04-23

اسلام آباد (خبرنگار) ماہرین نے خبردار کیا ہے کہ پاکستان میں کچرے اور پلاسٹک کا مسئلہ اب محض صفائی تک محدود نہیں رہا بلکہ یہ ایک سنگین ماحولیاتی اور موسمیاتی بحران کی شکل اختیار کر چکا ہے۔ زیرو ویسٹ پالیسیوں، بہتر ری سائیکل..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-22

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Source: [Bureau Report](#), [Daily Mutik](#), 2026-04-23

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Source: [Sufyan Paracha](#), [Daily Mudabbir](#), 2026-04-23

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### Experts seek fast-track EV transition, policy stability to shield Pakistan from energy shocks

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-04-28

ISLAMABAD, Apr 28 (APP): Energy experts and policymakers at a consultation called for an urgent coordinated policy action to electrify Pakistan's transport sector, warning that geopolitical tensions along with oil market volatility has exposed the country's fragile energy security framework. The consultative on "Transport energy Security Amid Geopolitical Shocks"..... [more >>](#)

### Experts Seek Fast-track EV Transition, Policy Stability to Shield Pakistan from Energy Shocks

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ISLAMABAD, (APP - Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 28th Apr, 2026) Energy experts and policymakers at a consultation called for an urgent coordinated policy action to electrify Pakistan's transport sector, warning that geopolitical tensions along with oil market volatility has exposed the country's fragile energy security framework. The consultative on "Transport energy Security"..... [more >>](#)

**Experts at SDPI seek fast-track EV transition, policy stability to shield Pakistan from energy shocks**Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2026-04-28

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**Fast Track Pakistan EV Transition**Source: [News Desk](#), [Peak Point](#), 2026-04-28

A consultation in Islamabad organized by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute urged urgent, coordinated action to electrify Pakistan's transport sector as a shield against rising geopolitical tensions and oil market volatility. Participants said an accelerated EV transition is essential to reduce the import bill and strengthen national energy security. Dr Sajid Amin Javed, Deputy Ex..... [more >>](#)

**Experts urge rapid EV shift, stable policies**Source: [Sohail Majeed](#), [Global News](#), 2026-04-29

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Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2026-04-28

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) ماہرین نے پاکستان کو شدید معاشی و توانائی خطرات سے خبردار کرتے ہوئے مطالبہ کیا ہے کہ ملک کے ٹرانسپورٹ نظام کو فوری طور پر برقی گاڑیوں (EVs) کی طرف منتقل کرنے کے لئے ہنگامی اور مستقل پالیسی اقدامات کئے جا..... [more >>](#)

**Policy seek stability to shield Pakistan from energy shocks**Source: [APP](#), [Daily Islamabad Post](#), 2026-04-29..... [more >>](#)**Experts Seek Fast-Track EV Transition, Policy Stability to Shield Pakistan from Energy Shocks**Source: [Asif Farooq](#), [Daily Asian Sun](#), 2026-04-29..... [more >>](#)

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## Dialogue News

### **Expert warns of worsening groundwater crisis**

Source: [DNA](#), [The Express Tribune](#), [Islamabad](#), 2026-04-20

ISLAMABAD: Groundwater depletion becomes worse as it reaches dangerous levels in various parts of Pakistan because of excessive domestic, agricultural and commercial use without any strict regulation against extraction. While speaking at the second leg of a Special Talk on 'Water Resources Management in Pakistan', organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), renowned..... [more >>](#)

## MoUs News

### **SDPI, university sign MoU to promote young talent through joint research**

Source: [Bakhtawar Mian](#), [Dawn](#), [Islamabad](#), 2026-04-20

ISLAMABAD: The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and the University of Central Punjab (UCP), Lahore, have reached an understanding to promote young talent through joint research. For this purpose, a virtual Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed by Dr Sajid Amin Javed, Deputy Executive Director, SDPI, and Dr Mohammad Irfan Ali Fani of the Department of Political Science and In..... [more >>](#)

### **SDPI, UCP Lahore ink MoU to promote young talent through joint research**

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2026-04-19

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Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2026-04-19

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Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-19

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### SDPI, NIDM to conduct joint research on climate modeling, DRR

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### Advancing Climate Modeling with SDPI NIDM Partnership

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Source: [SABAH, SABAH News](#), 2026-04-29

اسلام آباد (صباح نیوز) پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) اور نیشنل انسٹی ٹیوٹ آف ڈیزاسٹر مینجمنٹ نے آفات کے خطرات میں کمی، موسمیاتی آفات کی پیشگوئی اور قبل از وقت اقدامات کے شعبوں میں مشترکہ تحقیق، تربیت اور..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [Staff Reporter, Dunya News](#), 2026-04-30

اسلام آباد (نامہ نگار) پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) اور نیشنل انسٹی ٹیوٹ آف ڈیزاسٹر مینجمنٹ نے آفات کے خطرات میں کمی، موسمیاتی آفات کی پیشگوئی اور قبل از وقت اقدامات کے شعبوں میں مشترکہ تحقیق، تربیت..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [APP, Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-29

اسلام آباد (آرڈو پوائنٹ اخبار تازہ ترین - اے پی پی) 29 اپریل 2026ء) پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) اور نیشنل انسٹی ٹیوٹ آف ڈیزاسٹر مینجمنٹ (این آئی ڈی ایم) نے آفات کے خطرات میں کمی، موسمیاتی آفات کی پیشگوئی اور ق..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [APP, Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-04-29

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## Press Brief

### Water expert urges Pakistan to raise IWT issue at global forums

Source: [APP/Hina Durrani, Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-04-28

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### Roundtable Discussion

**Experts For Localized Adaptation Strategies To Minimize Heatwave & Drought Risks**

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-20

ISLAMABAD, (APP - Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 20th Apr, 2026) Highlighting climate extreme events as most serious challenges in the way of macroeconomic developments, experts at a consultation stressed the need for urgent, coordinated, and locally-driven strategies to minimize intensifying heatwaves and drought risks in Pakistan. The consultation, titled: Heat and Drought Adaptation Strateg..... [more >>](#)

### SDPI Articles

**Deal before disruption**

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**The fault in our grid**

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-17

The fault is not with our sun but in our electricity grid. Pakistan is not short of energy. It is short of alignment between when power is produced and when it is needed. What appears as scarcity each evening is, in truth, a design failure playing out on a daily schedule. The decision to impose approximately 2.25 hours of loadshedding during peak evening hours is not, in essence, about scarcity o..... [more >>](#)

**The spring forecast coloured by war**

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-18

The Middle East has entered a phase of whiplash. In a single day, expectations swing from ceasefire to escalation and back to stalemate. Markets react instantly. A single statement from the warring sides can push sentiment from risk-on to risk-off within hours. There is no global recession, at least for now. Yet the economic effects are already visible. Uncertainty has become more expensive. En..... [more >>](#)

**Community-led climate adaptation**

Source: [Sadia Ishrat Satti](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-19

Sea level rise is climate change in slow motion. One might ignore its advance—measured in centimetres—but it redraws shorelines, contaminates drinking water and weakens local economies. The IPCC says global mean sea level rose by 0.20 metres between 1901 and 2018, and that the pace has accelerated recently. Even with promised cuts in green..... [more >>](#)

### Why Pakistan remains trapped

Source: [Atteq ur Rehman](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-20

Pakistan's economy remains caught in a familiar cycle of crisis, bailout, temporary stabilisation and renewed strain. Since 1958, the country has entered more than 20 IMF programmes, making external rescue a recurring feature of economic management rather than a path to lasting recovery. This pattern is again visible in the IMF's End-of-Mission Statement of March 2026, which places fi..... [more >>](#)

### When more megawatts make things worse

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-20

In most economies, adding power capacity is a sign of progress. In Pakistan's case, it has become part of the problem. Pakistan's power sector today stands at a peculiar crossroads. Installed capacity exceeds 40,000 megawatts, while peak demand rarely crosses 30,000. Yet, evening load shedding persists. This is not a story of scarcity. It is a story of misalignment between when electr..... [more >>](#)

### Let's think of preparing for 6G adoption?

Source: [Brig \(Retd\) Mohammad Yasin](#), [The Destination](#), 2026-04-20

An interesting debate is going on in the media about the adoption of 6G. Though Pakistan has positioned itself as an early adopter by opening the 6 GHz spectrum band for unlicensed use, its focus is 5G rollout in 2025-26. 6G, which is the 6th generation cellular technology, is scheduled to be adopted by 2030 by the advanced countries who are investing heavily in this technology. It is meant to pro..... [more >>](#)

کو اپنانے کی تیاری کریں 6G آئیے

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### The deal before disruption: coincidence or calculated diplomacy?

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توانائی معیشت اور مفادات کے اُلجھے دھاگے

Source: [Abid Rasheed](#), [The Destination](#), 2026-04-25

انجینئر عبید الرحمان ضیاء نے اپنے آرٹیکل میں Mancur Olson کی کتاب The Logic of Collective Action کا حوالہ دیا۔ معروف امریکی ماہر معاشیات اور سماجی مفکر تھے جنہوں نے اجتماعی عمل (Collective Action) اور مفاداتی گروہوں (groups interest) پر اہم کام کیا..... [more >>](#)

### The Rising Threat of Grey Water Cartels in Pakistan

Source: [Rana Irfan Rafi](#), [LEAD Pakistan](#), 2026-04-25

Water is the most important element for human life. Our bodies are mostly made of water, and without it, we cannot survive. However, the quality of water is just as important as the quantity. In Pakistan nowadays finding clean drinking water has become a Challenge the other hand various organisations and government are working on water project. A silent and deadly problem is growing in our backya..... [more >>](#)

### Budget for resilience

Source: [Zainab Naeem](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-26

Pakistan's budget is no longer climate-blind, but it is still not climate-smart. In recent years, the country has taken important steps to integrate climate considerations into public financial management, particularly through the introduction of Climate Budget Tagging (CBT) and reforms under the IMF's Resilience and Sustainability Facility (RSF). Yet, despite this apparent progress, ..... [more >>](#)

### Political economy of power failure

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-28

There is a version of Pakistan's power sector story that reads as a financing tragedy. Billions of dollars borrowed, capacity built, tariffs indexed, guarantees issued – and the lights still went out. That version is accurate, but incomplete. The deeper story is one of institutional political economy: a systematic misapplication of development finance theory to a sector whose problems..... [more >>](#)

### Two faces of Colombo: paradise and the power of nature

Source: [Summer Basharat and Sahar Basharat](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-28

Travel often changes us in quiet ways. Sometimes it happens slowly over days. Sometimes it happens the moment your feet touch new ground. For us, that moment came in Colombo, Sri Lanka, in November 2025. We had travelled for a two-week family meetup, with our departure scheduled for November 28, 2025. But what began as a family visit soon became something much more meaningful. The morning we st..... [more >>](#)

### Invisible Inheritance: Will Your Digital Wealth Die with You?

Source: [Rana Irfan Rafi](#), [LEAD Pakistan](#), 2026-04-29

The concept of digital inheritance, which we can call digital wirasat in our local context, is becoming one of the most significant challenges of the twenty-first century because almost every aspect of our lives is now stored on a server or cloud somewhere. When we talk about inheritance in our society, we usually focus on physical property like houses, land, gold or the cash or bank account only, ..... [more >>](#)

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### Climate funds ignore vulnerable

Source: [Shazia Tasneem Farooqi](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

KARACHI: Climate finance, both globally and in Pakistan, continues to flow mainly to mitigation projects like renewable energy due to clearer financial returns, while adaptation measures such as flood defences, water

management and climate-resilient agriculture receive far less funding despite their importance for a highly climate-vulnerable country. These projects are often seen as less profitable..... [more >>](#)

### **China's green buildings highlight new pathway for Pakistan's energy transition**

Source: [Azam Tariq](#), [Independent News Pakistan](#), 2026-04-16

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### **CDA urged to prioritise sustainability over infrastructure**

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-18

ISLAMABAD: In a formal letter issued on April 17, 2026, a diverse group of civil society representatives called upon the newly appointed chairman of the Capital Development Authority (CDA) to shift the city's developmental focus from "brick and mortar" projects to the preservation of "flowers and butterflies". The outreach signals a growing public desire for sustainable..... [more >>](#)

### **Civil society urges new CDA chief to prioritise Islamabad's greenery**

Source: [News Desk](#), [Pakistan Today](#), 2026-04-19

ISLAMABAD: A group of civil society representatives has written to the newly appointed chairman of the Capital Development Authority (CDA), welcoming his appointment and offering what it described as constructive engagement on the future development of the federal capital. According to the letter issued on Friday, the signatories said public sentiment had shifted and that many residents were dissatisfied..... [more >>](#)

### **Steps for revival of Islamabad's greenery demanded**

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### **Govt urged to address 'structural flaws' in energy policy**

Source: [Zaki Abbas](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-23

ISLAMABAD: With Pakistan in the throes of another energy crisis in the wake of the disruptions in the Strait of Hormuz, the federal government has been urged to address "structural flaws" in its energy policy instead of resorting to "knee-jerk" reactions to fix the problem. In a press conference held at the National Press Club, Khadim Hussain of the Alliance for Climate Justice..... [more >>](#)

### **Oil surge, UAE exit from OPEC+ shake global markets**

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD: Global financial markets came under broad and synchronized pressure on April 28 as a sharp rise in crude oil prices, escalating geopolitical uncertainty, and the United Arab Emirates' decision to exit the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and OPEC+ triggered a widespread sell-off across global equities. Oil benchmarks surged to multi-month highs, with Brent..... [more >>](#)

### **The great decoupling: A dive into the UAE's exits from OPEC**

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD: The announcement that the United Arab Emirates (UAE) will formally withdraw from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and OPEC+ marks one of the most significant shifts in the global energy order in decades. Effective May 1, 2026, the decision ends a 59-year membership and repositions the UAE from a cartel participant to what analysts describe as a "global free agent"..... [more >>](#)

**ISSI–PRIME roundtable warns of Middle East risks but sees economic opening for Pakistan**

Source: [Shafqat Ali](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD - The Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI), in collaboration with the Policy Research Institute of Market Economy (PRIME), yesterday convened a high-level roundtable on April 28, 2026, warning that the ongoing Middle East crisis poses serious economic risks for Pakistan while also opening a narrow window for strategic opportunity and reform. Titled "The Middle East Cr..... [more >>](#)

## Webinar News

**Regular Increase in Tobacco Taxation Demanded to Reduce Cigarette Consumption**

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-17

ISLAMABAD, (APP - Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 17th Apr, 2026) Health and economic policy experts have urged the government to introduce a regular increase in tobacco taxes and gradually transition to a single-tier taxation structure, as consistent fiscal measures are essential to reduce cigarette consumption and enhance public health outcomes. Speaking at a webinar titled: "Stagnant T..... [more >>](#)

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**Pakistan urged to lead push for first woman UN Secretary-General**

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اسلام آباد (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 27 اپریل 2026ء) پارلیمنٹیریئرز، پالیسی و صنفی امور کے ماہرین نے اس بات پر زور دیا ہے کہ اقوام متحدہ کی پہلی خاتون سیکرٹری جنرل کے انتخاب کے لئے سفارتی سطح پر فعال حکمت عملی اپنانے..... [more >>](#)

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