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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

Capacity Building, Learning, and Skills Development

Govt to pilot China-modelled law enforcement centre

Source: [Shakeel Anjum](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-07

ISLAMABAD: Overseas training programmes will become a permanent fixture of professional development for Pakistani police officers, Federal Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi announced on Thursday. Speaking during a meeting with Assistant Superintendents of Police (ASPs) who recently completed specialised training in China and Türkiye, Naqvi said adopting advanced international policing models an..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan, China seek world class technical skills for youth

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-15

Islamabad: Pakistan and China have agreed to provide Pakistani youth with world-class technical skills in line with the requirements of Chinese investment under the next phase of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), says a press release. The understanding was reached during a meeting between former Chairperson of the National Vocational and Technical Training Commission (NAVTTTC) Gulmina [more >>](#)

SC delegation concludes working visit to China

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-01

ISLAMABAD: A technical delegation of the Supreme Court of Pakistan, led by Justice Muhammad Ali Mazhar, chairman of the National Judicial Automation Committee, conducted an official visit to the Supreme People's Court of the People's Republic of China from July 26 to 30. The delegation comprised officers of the SC Information Technology Section. The visit formed part of the continuing..... [more >>](#)

CSA, Chinese varsity forge academic link

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-12

LAHORE: The Civil Services Academy (CSA), Lahore, has initiated academic engagement with South China Agricultural University (SCAU) to strengthen the agricultural governance capacity of Pakistan Administrative Service (PAS) officers, adding a new dimension to Pakistan-China cooperation during the 75th anniversary year of diplomatic relations. The initiative seeks to link public administration wit..... [more >>](#)

China and America Trade Conflict

Geopolitics of coexistence

Source: [Dr Talat Shabbir](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-01

The great geopolitical challenge of the twenty-first century is not simply the resurgence of great-power rivalry, but whether humanity can maintain peaceful coexistence in an era of intense competition. Today's rivalries are different from earlier strategic confrontations because they are taking place in a deeply interconnected global economy where countries depend on each other for trade..... [more >>](#)

Soft power: US vs China

Source: [Dr Murad Ali](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-08

The world is witnessing a US-China competition in almost every sphere of life—economy, military, technology, trade, critical minerals, AI, semiconductors, space, cybersecurity, infrastructure, education, science, diplomacy and reach to the Global South. While China has made significant progress in all these areas, its reach to the Global South and diplomatic stature has significantly increa..... [more >>](#)

China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)

CPEC projects; Ahsan orders ministries, stakeholders to accelerate implementation

Source: Naveed Butt, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-06

ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Special Initiatives Ahsan Iqbal directed all ministries and stakeholders to accelerate the implementation of key China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) projects, stressing that the next phase of the flagship initiative offers significant opportunities to drive economic growth, industrial development and regional connectivity. The 91st..... [more >>](#)

PCJCCI supports Gwadar housing scheme for fishermen

Source: [Recorder Green](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-06

LAHORE: The Pakistan-China Joint Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCJCCI) has appreciated and expressed its full support for the Balochistan government's initiative to develop a low-cost housing scheme for Gwadar's fishing community, describing it as a landmark step towards inclusive development, social welfare, and the long-term success of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan aims to boost exports to China under CPEC 2.0

Source: Fawad Yousafzai, [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-12

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan aims to boost exports to China, currently at \$3 billion, under CPEC 2.0, tapping into China's \$2.6 trillion import market. "China helped Pakistan to overcome energy deficit, under CPEC 1.0, and now we hope that CPEC 2.0 will help Pakistan to overcome export deficit," Federal Minister for Planning, Development, and Special Initiatives Ahsan Iqbal said in a mee..... [more >>](#)

CPC leader vows support in advancing CPEC 2.0, B&R cooperation

Source: Naveed Butt, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-13

ISLAMABAD: A senior leader of the Communist Party of China (CPC), Liu Daxiu, has said that China would continue working with Pakistan to promote development, advance CPEC 2.0 and strengthen high-quality Belt and Road cooperation. Liu Daxiu, Level-1 Inspector of the CPC, expressed these views during a meeting with PML-N Secretary General and Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Speci..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan to self-finance KKH Phase-II if external financing fails

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-06

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan on Wednesday decided in principle to proceed with the Karakoram Highway (KKH) Phase-II project under CPEC, opting to secure Chinese financing while keeping the option of funding the project from own resources if external financing could not be arranged. According to an official announcement, the 91st meeting of the CPEC Projects Review and National Steering Committee was held [more >>](#)

KP govt implementing solarization project under CPEC

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-04

Peshawar - Acting on the special directives of the Chief Minister of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, provincial Minister for Public Health Fazal Shakoor Khan paid a detailed visit to district Swabi, where a 'kuli katchery' held to hear public grievances and ensure their prompt resolution. The event was attended by a large number of local residents, community elders, social personalities, and offi..... [more >>](#)

Economic Growth, Governance, and Development Policy

Statecraft over doctrine

Source: [Sarmad Khawaja](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-02

Is China socialist or capitalist? The answer comes in several forms: it is socialism with Chinese characteristics, capitalism under party control, state capitalism, market socialism, and much else besides. The confusion is understandable. At first sight, China's policies appear inconsistent, even contradictory: planning coexists with markets, state ownership with private enterprise, experim..... [more >>](#)

Learning from China's economic philosophy and policy — II

Source: [Dr Omer Javed](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-07

The same book 'How China escaped shock therapy: the market reform debate' by Isabella M. Weber pointed out that adopting non-shock therapy policies, and within it 'dual-track' pricing mechanism had an overall positive impact on China's economy. She indicated in this regard, 'On October 20, 1984, the Central Committee adopted the "Decision on Reform of the [more >>](#)

\$60b digital economy at risk without action

Source: [Shahram Haq](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-08

LAHORE: In a world increasingly defined by data, Pakistan stands at a pivotal crossroads. While the nation's youth bulge and entrepreneurial spirit are well-documented, the infrastructure to harness their potential in the digital age remains a glaring gap. This was the central theme of a think tank session held at the Pakistan China Joint Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCJCCI) on Friday, [more >>](#)

Learning from China's economic philosophy and policy — III

Source: [Dr Omer Javed](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-14

Highlighting the immense strides made by China in green energy, former US treasury secretary, Hank Paulson, while talking to Bloomberg in a programme titled 'What China understands about AI and energy that the US doesn't' pointed out with regard to China's significant rise in green energy that '...[China] are investing big time in renewables and solar and wind. T..... [more >>](#)

Governance / Trade & Services

Pakistan's first donkey by-products shipment reaches South China

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-09

BEIJING - Pakistan's first commercial shipment of donkey products arrived in Guangdong and cleared customs in recent week, China Economic Net (CEN) reported. Speaking to CEN, Muhammad Imran, Trade and Investment Counsellor at the Pakistan Mission in Guangzhou, said the achievement was the result of sustained coordination since a Chinese importer, Blue Natural Food HK, first approached the Mi..... [more >>](#)

China, Pakistan discuss advancing B2B, industrial cooperation

Source: [Mehtab Haider](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-12

ISLAMABAD: A Chinese delegation has visited China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) Secretariat, indicating Beijing is moving towards consultation on Business-to-Business (B2B) and industrial cooperation under CPEC-2, rather than making investments in Government-to-Government (G2G) projects. During the first phase of CPEC, China invested nearly \$30 billion in infrastructure projects and developme..... [more >>](#)

China's governance experience draws attention at Islamabad symposiumSource: [Shafqat Ali](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-13

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan and China on Wednesday expanded their political and institutional exchanges as Pakistani political leaders, Chinese officials and experts gathered in Islamabad for a high-level symposium on the global significance of Xi Jinping Thought on Party Building. Senate Chairman Yousaf Raza Gilani, Chinese Ambassador to Pakistan Jiang Zaidong and Liu Daxiu, Level 1 Inspector of the Co..... [more >>](#)

Pak-Sino company gets 4-acre land for donkey plant in GwadarSource: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-14

ISLAMABAD - In a major development to boost Sino-Pak livestock value chain development initiative in Gwadar, Shahzad and Shao (Private) business firm, a joint venture of Pakistani and Chinese companies, officially secured four acres of land in the Gwadar North Free Zone to establish a donkey slaughterhouse and processing factory for exporting donkey meat and hides to China..... [more >>](#)

China ready to support Pakistan in heritage digitisation, preservationSource: [Jamila Achakzai](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-11

Islamabad: Cultural counsellor at the Embassy of China Chen Peng Monday said that his country was willing to share its experience and technologies in cultural heritage preservation with Pakistan, while respecting and learning from the local cultural traditions. The four-day course is organised by the China Cultural Centre in Pakistan and the Department of Archaeology and Museums, with the Pakista..... [more >>](#)

Rising risk of infectious diseases; China donates 110 fogging machines worth Rs17m to KMCSource: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-13

KARACHI: China has donated 110 fogging machines worth Rs 17 million to the Karachi Metropolitan Corporation (KMC) to support the city's efforts to prevent the spread of infectious diseases during the rainy season. The equipment was formally handed over to Karachi Mayor Murtaza Wahab by Feng Deheng, Acting Chinese Consul General in Karachi, at a ceremony held at the Chinese Consulate Gen..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan, China renew joint push against Afghan-based terroristsSource: [Mariana Baabar](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-05

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China have once again taken cognisance of terrorist threats being faced by both countries from inside Afghanistan. In this regard, there was another visit by Chinese Special Representative Ambassador Yue Xiaoyong and his delegation to Islamabad. Yue Xiaoyong has made multiple trips to Islamabad and was last here in March this year while also visiting Kabul as part of a me..... [more >>](#)

Deepening China-Pakistan ExchangesSource: [Jiang Zaidong](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-15

Since the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC), the CPC Central Committee with General Secretary Xi Jinping at its core has put forward a series of new ideas, new thinking and new strategies centred on the major issue of the era—what kind of long-term governing Marxist party to build and how to build it—giving rise to Xi Jinping Thought on Party Building. As [more >>](#)

Pakistan-China Bilateral Relations and Strategic Cooperation

CDF Munir says Pak-China friendship has remained steadfast amid evolving regional, global challenges

Source: [News Desk](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-01

Chief of Defence Forces (CDF) and Chief of the Army Staff Field Marshal Asim Munir said on Saturday that the friendship between Pakistan and China is “unique, time-tested and has remained steadfast in the face of evolving regional and global challenges”. He made the remarks while addressing a gathering at the General Headquarters (GHQ) in Rawalpindi, held to commemorate the 99th ann..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan Armed Forces, PLA are true partners: Field Marshal Asim Munir

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

RAWALPINDI - The 99th anniversary of the founding of the People's Liberation Army (PLA) of the People's Republic of China was commemorated at the General Headquarters (GHQ) in Rawalpindi on Saturday. Jiang Zaidong, Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to Pakistan, graced the occasion as Guest of Honour. Major General Wang Zhong, Defence Attaché of China, officials..... [more >>](#)

Shehbaz, Chinese envoy discuss political, parliamentary exchanges

Source: [APP](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-07

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif met Chinese Ambassador Jiang Zaidong on Thursday, underscoring the value of people-to-people contacts, as well as exchanges between the political parties and parliaments of both countries. The ambassador handed over a letter from President Xi Jinping, conveying appreciation for the prime minister's letter on the 105th anniversary of the founding of..... [more >>](#)

Chinese envoy calls on PM

Source: [Recorder Green](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-07

ISLAMABAD: Chinese Ambassador to Pakistan Jiang Zaidong called on Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday and conveyed a letter from President Xi Jinping expressing appreciation for the prime minister's message on the 105th anniversary of the founding of the Communist Party of China. During the meeting, the prime minister reiterated Pakistan's resolve to further strengthen bilat..... [more >>](#)

Haroon reaffirms govt's commitment to further boost ties China

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-11

ISLAMABAD - Special Assistant to the Prime Minister on Industries and Production, Haroon Akhtar Khan held a meeting with a delegation of the Dongguan Ganzhou Chamber of Commerce, reaffirming Pakistan's commitment to further strengthening economic and business ties with China. The meeting was attended by the president of the Dongguan Ganzhou Chamber of Commerce, Special Secretary Industrie..... [more >>](#)

CDF reaffirms 'true partners' bond' between Pakistan, China

Source: [Muhammad Anis](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-02

RAWALPINDI: Highlighting the enduring strength of Pakistan-China relations, Field Marshal Syed Asim Munir, Chief of Army Staff and Chief of Defence Forces (COAS & CDF) has observed that friendship between the two countries is unique, time-tested and has remained steadfast in the face of evolving regional and global challenges. The Field Marshal was addressing an event to commemorate the 99th [more >>](#)

Solid Foundation

Source: [Jiang Zaidong](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-10

On July 1st, the Ethnic Unity and Progress Promotion Law of the People's Republic of China officially came into effect. As the first foundational and comprehensive law concerning China's ethnic affairs, its enactment and

implementation demonstrate China's firm resolve to ensure equality for all ethnic groups, safeguard the fundamental interests of all ethnic groups, and promote t..... [more >>](#)

Research, Development & Capacity Building

Pakistani engineer wins int'l recognition

Source: [INP](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-08

Islamabad: When Waqas Rasool stepped onto the winners' podium at an international skills competition in Guangzhou last month, he wasn't just accepting a trophy for himself, China Economic Net (CEN) reported on Friday. For the Pakistani engineer, the moment was a powerful validation of what the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) has always promised: genuine skills transfer that bu..... [more >>](#)

Social Development and Public Policy

PLA at 99: President Xi's thought to strengthen military

Source: [Shakeel Ahmad Ramay](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-10

Since the establishment of the PLA, the Communist Party of China (CPC) has believed in continuous reform of the PLA. It is considered essential to keep the PLA updated to reflect current conditions and realities on the ground. Therefore, the CPC has been investing in the PLA to upgrade it in line with the nation's desired goals. The first reforms were introduced immediately after the establi..... [more >>](#)

Trade, Investment, and Tourism

Demand for women's hair surges

Source: [Qaiser Sherazi](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-09

RAWALPINDI: The trade of naturally shed women's hair collected from homes, streets and beauty parlours across Rawalpindi, Islamabad and adjoining districts has expanded significantly due to growing demand from Chinese buyers. Street vendors who previously purchased scrap items such as dry bread, plastic and metal have now started buying women's hair collected from combs in neighbourhoods..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan will participate in Intertextile Shanghai Expo

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-11

KARACHI: Pakistan will participate with eight exhibitors at Intertextile Shanghai Apparel Fabrics and Yarn Expo Autumn 2026, taking place from 25–27 August 2026 at the National Exhibition and Convention Center (NECC), Shanghai. As Asia's leading textile sourcing platform, the co-located exhibitions will bring together global suppliers, manufacturers, buyers, and sourcing professiona..... [more >>](#)

Haroon stresses need for expanding economic ties with China

Source: [Abdul Rasheed Azad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-11

ISLAMABAD: Special Assistant to the Prime Minister (SAPM) on Industries and Production Haroon Akhtar Khan has emphasised the need for further expanding economic cooperation with China through business-to-business (B2B) partnerships, joint ventures, investment, technology transfer, and people-to-people contacts. He remarked this during a meeting with a delegation of the Dongguan Ganzhou Chambe..... [more >>](#)

NA panel alarmed over trade deficit with China

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-13

ISLAMABAD: A parliamentary committee on Wednesday expressed serious concern over Pakistan's persistent trade deficit with China and other Free Trade Agreement (FTA) partners and called for a comprehensive assessment of

the underlying factors contributing to the imbalance. The National Assembly Standing Committee on Commerce reviewed tariff reforms, export promo..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan seeks USD1.3bn China refinancing

Source: [Tahir Amin](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-05

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has reportedly requested China to refinance a USD 1.3 billion commercial loan, with the funds expected to be received later this month once the terms and conditions are finalised. According to the sources, discussions with Chinese authorities are underway to expedite the refinancing process. The inflow is expected to provide timely support to Pakistan's foreign excha..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Engagements

Ceremony: Successful Completion of the second phase of its Digital Financial Literacy Training (DFLT-II) programme under (BISP)

SDPI marks completion of Digital Financial Literacy Training for 255,000 BISP beneficiaries

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-08-04

ISLAMABAD, Aug 4 (APP): Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) held a ceremony on Tuesday to mark the successful completion of the second phase of its Digital Financial Literacy Training (DFLT-II) programme under the Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP). The programme reached more than 255,000 beneficiaries nationwide. The initiative, supported by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Interna..... [more >>](#)

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SDPI Empowers 255,000 BISP Beneficiaries With Digital Skills

Source: [Imran Ammar](#), [The Public Purview](#), 2026-08-04

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan: The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) has successfully completed the second phase of its Digital Financial Literacy Training (DFLT-II) programme under the Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP), providing digital financial education to more than 255,000 beneficiaries across Pakistan. Contents Programme Reaches Over 255,000 Beneficiaries Nationwide Implement..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Daily Nawa e Waqt](#), 2026-08-05

اسلام آباد (نمائندہ خصوصی) پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی نے بینظیر انکم سپورٹ پروگرام کے تحت ملک بھر میں دو لاکھ پچپن ہزار سے زیادہ مستحق خواتین کی ڈیجیٹل مالیاتی خواندگی کی تربیت کامیابی سے مکمل کرنے کا سنگ میل..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2026-08-04

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Consultative Discussion on Energy Transition

SDPI urges focused climate finance platform for energy transition

Source: APP, [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-08-05

ISLAMABAD, Aug 05 (APP): The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) on Wednesday called for a focused, government-led climate finance platform with strong provincial ownership and meaningful community participation to help Pakistan unlock international funding for a just energy transition. The call came during a high-level consultation in Islamabad attended by local and international ex..... [more >>](#)

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Source: APP, [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-08-05

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Experts call for focused country platform to unlock climate finance for Pakistan's energy transition

Source: SABAH, [SABAH News](#), 2026-08-05

ISLAMABAD, August 05 (SABAH): Pakistan must narrow the scope of its proposed climate country platform, embed provincial ownership into its design and place affected communities at the centre of project planning if the mechanism is to mobilize credible international finance for a just energy transition. This was the crux of a consultative discussion organized by Sustainable Development Policy Inst..... [more >>](#)

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Source: Hina Kiyani, [Daily Mail](#), 2026-08-06

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Source: Bureau Report, [Daily Mutik](#), 2026-08-06

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Source: APP, [Daily Islamabad Post](#), 2026-08-06

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پاکستان کو کلیمیت فنانس کے لئے موثر کنٹری پلیٹ فارم تشکیل دینے کی ضرورت

Source: SABAH, [SABAH News](#), 2026-08-05

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) ماہرین نے کہا ہے کہ پاکستان کو توانائی کے شعبے میں منصفانہ منتقلی (جسٹ انرجی ٹرانزیشن) کے لئے عالمی موسمیاتی مالی وسائل حاصل کرنے کی غرض سے مجوزہ کنٹری پلیٹ فارم کو واضح ترجیحات، صوبائی شراکت داری [more >>](#).....

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MoUs News: (NIPS-T&R) and SDPI**SDPI, NIPS Sign MoU to Forge Partnership on Demographic Research and Analysis**Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-08-06

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Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-08-06

اسلام آباد (اردو پوائنٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 06 اگست 2026ء) پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) کے سربراہ ڈاکٹر عابد قیوم سلہری نے کہا ہے کہ مفاہمتی یادداشتیں (ایم او یوز) محض رسمی دستاویزات نہیں ہونی چاہئیں بل..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Daily BBC Report](#), 2026-08-07..... [more >>](#)

SDPI Researchers Articles

Nicotine pouches: the next public health trap

Source: [Waseem Janjua & Syed Ali Wasif Naqvi](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-02

For decades, the tobacco industry's business model has depended on one simple principle: replace every customer it loses with a new one. As cigarette smoking declines across much of the world, that strategy has entered a new phase. Instead of abandoning nicotine, multinational tobacco companies are reinventing it. Their latest product, nicotine [more >>](#)

Our untapped growth engine

Source: [Hassan Murtaza Syed](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-03

Pakistan's search for sustainable economic growth has largely centered on traditional sectors such as agriculture, manufacturing and textiles. Yet, one of the country's most promising economic success stories has quietly emerged from laptops, smartphones and internet connections. Across cities and small towns alike, millions of Pakistanis are earning income from global clients and audiences..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's reform window

Source: [Spogmay Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-06

Pakistan has entered into a new economic phase where the central challenge is no longer simply recognising the need for reform but sustaining the political and institutional commitments required to implement it. Over the past few years, the economy has been largely defined by the economic crisis. The lingering effects of Covid-19, global supply-chain disruptions, exchange-rate volatility, and hea..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan needs a healthy-diet index

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-07

The UN has recently released its multiagency report on the State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2026. The good news is that at the global level, there is a gradual, sustained improvement in hunger. An estimated 7.8 per cent of the global population faced hunger in 2025, down from 8.1 per cent in 2024 and 8.6 per cent in 2022. Asia and Latin America have shown steady progress in recent..... [more >>](#)

Rethinking climate

Source: [Zainab Naeem](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-09

Arnold Toynbee, one of the most influential historians of the 20th century, argued that civilisations do not decline simply because they face difficult circumstances. Instead, they decline when they lose the ability to respond creatively to new challenges. According to his famous 'challenge and response' theory, societies rise when their leadership generates innovative solutions to em..... [more >>](#)

Those who pay for climate change

Source: [Naseer Memon](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-09

Descending from an 8,611-metres peak at the majestic K2 to the tidal mudflats of the Arabian Sea, Pakistan's landscape encompasses a range of climatic zones over a straight-line distance of about 1,550 kilometres. This fascinating topography hosts diverse ecosystems comprising snow-packed mountain peaks, forests, plateaus, hills, deserts, sprawl..... [more >>](#)

How poverty reproduces itself and why privilege survives

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-09

The average monthly household (not per capita) income in Pakistan rose from Rs 41,545 in 2018-2019 to Rs 82,179 in 2024-2025. Inflation erased that nominal gain and real household income fell by 12.7 percent. Over the same

period, more than 25 million people fell below the official poverty line. Their number rose from 47.1 million to 72.5 million&mdas..... [more >>](#)

The GSP Plus path

Source: [Ihtesham Ul Haq](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-10

Recent WTO and UNCTAD updates show that trade patterns remain resilient but increasingly unstable: trade growth is being influenced by tariff changes, geo-economic risk and the expansion of trade in AI-enabling products, while policy uncertainty continues to disrupt supply chains and investment decisions. At the same time, the WTO's March 2026 report projects that global merchandise trade g..... [more >>](#)

KP's climate finance déjà vu

Source: [Ebadat Ur Rehman Babar](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-10

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa doesn't have a climate finance shortage. It has a sequencing problem, and its own budget documents make the case better than any outside critic could. Over the past year, the provincial government has floated an unusually wide menu of ways to pay for climate adaptation: green sukuk, debt-for-climate swaps, payment-for-ecosystem-services schemes, climate-risk insuranc..... [more >>](#)

Hope at 79

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-08-14

Independence Day invites gratitude for the country we inherited and responsibility for the country we will leave behind. As the country turns 79, I remain convinced that its future can be brighter than its present. This confidence rests on forces already visible across the economy and society, and on choices still available to us. At 70, and again at 75, I described Pakistan's future in the..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Relevant Articles

The growth-jobs paradox

Source: [Dr Ishrat Husain](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-06

THE 2024 upheaval that toppled Sheikh Hasina's government in Bangladesh, alongside the youth-led protests over joblessness in India, point to a shared crisis across South Asia: strong economic growth has not translated into enough good jobs for a workforce that is more educated than ever before. As access to schooling and universities has expanded, so have people's employment expectati..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan can accelerate renewable transition through China's integrated energy model-INP

Source: [Azam Tariq](#), [Independent News Pakistan](#), 2026-08-11

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SDPI's Relevant News, Analysis, and Commentary

23rd Annual Environment Conference and Awards – 2026

Source: [Admin](#), [Energy Update Magazine](#), 2026-08-07

Karachi Sindh Minister for Local Government, Housing & Town Planning, Syed Nasir Hussain Shah, has said that Sindh has become the first province in Pakistan to successfully implement a government-led carbon credit project, enabling the country to earn substantial foreign exchange through its internationally acclaimed mangrove restoration programme while reaffirming its unwavering commitment t..... [more >>](#)

Seminar on “Population Growth and Policy Coherence in Pakistan: Challenges and Pathways”

Experts warn population policies lag behind demographic realities

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-11

ISLAMABAD: With Pakistan's population having crossed 240 million and a median age of just 19, policymakers, health experts and researchers warned that the country's demographic trajectory demands an urgent shift from short-term fixes to robust, evidence-based strategies. The stakeholders were speaking at the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) seminar titled “Populat..... [more >>](#)

Robust, evidence-based strategies needed: Experts

Source: [Hamza Habib](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-11

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Experts call for data-driven overhaul of Pakistan's population policy

Source: [Press Release](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-11

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan's rapidly changing demographic profile requires an urgent shift from short-term population interventions to evidence-based, multi-sectoral planning, experts said on Monday, warning that weak coordination, inadequate financing and uneven implementation were undermining the country's ability to respond to demographic pressures. Speaking at a seminar organised by the [more >>](#)

Experts warn Pakistan's population policies lag behind demographic realities, call for datadriven, multisectoral reform

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2026-08-11

The stakeholders gathered at the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) Monday Seminar for a seminar titled “Population Growth and Policy Coherence in Pakistan: Challenges and Pathways” held here. The seminar was steered by a wide-ranging discussion on institutional silos, regional implementation bottlenecks and community-level narratives shaping Pakistan's population p..... [more >>](#)

Experts Warn Pakistan's Population Policies Lag Behind Demographic Realities, Call For Data-driven, Multi-sectoral Reforms

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-08-10

ISLAMABAD, (APP - Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 10th Aug, 2026) With Pakistan's population having crossed 240 million and a median age of just 19, policymakers, health experts and researchers warned that the country's demographic trajectory demanded an urgent shift from short-term fixes to robust, evidence-based strategies. The stakeholders gathered here at the Sustainable Development..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-08-10

اسلام آباد-10 اگست (اے پی پی): پالیسی سازوں، صحت کے ماہرین اور محققین نے خبردار کیا ہے کہ پاکستان کی آبادی 24 کروڑ سے تجاوز کر چکی ہے اور آبادی کی درمیانی عمر صرف 19 سال ہے، ایسے میں ملک کی آبادیاتی صورتحال فوری طور پر قلیل مدتی..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-08-10

اسلام آباد (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 10 اگست 2026ء) پالیسی سازوں، صحت کے ماہرین اور محققین نے خبردار کیا ہے کہ پاکستان کی آبادی 24 کروڑ سے تجاوز کر چکی ہے اور آبادی کی درمیانی عمر صرف 19 سال ہے، ایسے میں ملک کی آبادی..... [more >>](#)

NATIONAL DEBATE-ONE DAY POLICY WORKSHOP ON Should Pakistan Create More Administrative Units?

Parties favour stronger LGs over new provinces

Source: [Shahbaz Rana](#), [The Express Tribune](#), Islamabad, 2026-08-12

ISLAMABAD: While acknowledging imperfections in the current governance system, mainstream political parties have favoured strengthening the constitutionally guaranteed local government system instead of creating new provinces. During a day-long discussion on the need for new provinces or administrative units, participants also blamed the bureaucracy for poor governance and inadequate service del..... [more >>](#)

Parties back local governments over new provinces

Source: [Noor Zainab](#), [Minute Mirror](#), 2026-08-12

Mainstream political parties have rejected the idea of creating new provinces and instead called for stronger local governments to improve governance and public service delivery. The position emerged during a day-long seminar organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), where politicians and independent experts discussed whether Pakistan needs new provinces or additional admi..... [more >>](#)

نئے صوبوں کی مخالفت: سیاسی جماعتوں کا لوکل گورنمنٹ کا نظام مضبوط کرنے پر زور

Source: [Mehtab Haider](#), [Daily Jang](#), 2026-08-12

اسلام آباد (مہتاب حیدر) متحدہ قومی موومنٹ پاکستان (ایم کیو ایم پاکستان) کے سوائے، پاکستان مسلم لیگ (ن)، پاکستان پیپلز پارٹی اور دیگر مرکزی سیاسی جماعتوں نے نئے صوبے بنا کر مزید انتظامی یونٹس کے قیام کی سخت مخالفت کی ہے۔ ان..... [more >>](#)

انتظامی اصلاحات کا مقصد سہولیات فراہمی اور طرز حکمرانی کو مزید مضبوط بنانا ہے، بیرسٹر دانیال

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Daily Nawa e Waqt](#), 2026-08-12

اسلام آباد (اپنے سٹاف رپورٹر سے) وفاقی پارلیمانی سیکرٹری برائے اطلاعات و نشریات بیرسٹر دانیال چوہدری نے کہا ہے کہ پاکستان میں انتظامی اصلاحات کا بنیادی مقصد عوام کو ان کی دہلیز پر بہتر، مؤثر اور بروقت سہولیات کی فراہمی..... [more >>](#)

نئے صوبوں کے قیام سے قبل انتظامی اصلاحات ناگزیر ہے، بیرسٹر دانیال چوہدری

Source: [NNI](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-08-11

اسلام آباد (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - این این آئی۔ 11 اگست 2026ء) وفاقی پارلیمانی سیکرٹری برائے اطلاعات و نشریات بیرسٹر دانیال چوہدری نے کہا ہے کہ پاکستان میں انتظامی اصلاحات کا بنیادی مقصد عوام کو ان کی دہلیز پر بہتر، م..... [more >>](#)

صوبوں کے موجودہ حجم کو کنٹرول کرنا ناممکن، نئے انتظامی یونٹس سے عوام کی زندگی آسان، پالیسی ورکشاپ میں شرکا کا خطاب

Source: [Zeeshan Yousufzai](#), [Daily Dunya](#), 2026-08-12

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Speakers call for empowered LGs, deliberations on new administrative units

Source: [APP](#), [Daily Times](#), 2026-08-13

Islamabad: Executive Director of the Health Services Academy (HSA) Prof Shezad Ali Khan has said Pakistan records around 700,000 stillbirths annually, the highest number in the world, while 42 out of every 1,000 babies die within their first month, giving the country the highest neonatal mortality rate globally since 1960. He was speaking at a seminar titled "Population Growth and Policy Coh..... [more >>](#)

Speakers call for empowered LGs, further deliberations on new administrative units for better services delivery

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Green Post](#), 2026-08-12

ISLAMABAD: Amid the ongoing discussion on the creation of new administrative units, speakers at a high-level national debate conducted by Sustainable Development Policy Institute showed strong consensus on strengthening and empowering local government (LG) system, with or without new administrative units. The national debate, titled: 'Should Pakistan create more administrative units?'..... [more >>](#)

Administrative reforms must precede creation of new provinces: Danyal Chaudhry

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-12

ISLAMABAD - Federal Parliamentary Secretary for Information and Broadcasting Barrister Danyal Chaudhry has said that administrative reforms are essential before considering the creation of new provinces, stressing that the goal of governance reforms should be to deliver better, faster, and more accessible services to citizens at their doorstep. He was speaking at a policy workshop organized by SD..... [more >>](#)

SDPI debate explores new provinces, administrative units, local government reform

Source: [APP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-14

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Politicians, experts call for new provinces, sweeping local govt reforms

Source: [Bakhtawar Mian](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-14

ISLAMABAD: A diverse gathering of political figures, policymakers, technocrats and civil society representatives at a national debate called for new provinces, administrative units and sweeping local government reforms to

decentralise state authority and address the country's deepening governance crisis. The debate, "Should Pakistan create more administrative units?" was organis..... [more >>](#)

Change in institutional behaviour, political culture sought

Source: [Abdul Rasheed Azad](#), [Business Recorder](#), [Islamabad](#), 2026-08-14

ISLAMABAD: The country does not need structural changes; rather, it needs a change in institutional behaviour and political culture to improve governance. This was the crux of a national debate organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) on improving governance and service delivery in Pakistan. Participants said administrative restructuring alone could not address governance..... [more >>](#)

SDPI Debate Explores New Provinces, Administrative Units, Local Government Reform To Strengthen Governance

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Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2026-08-13

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) انتظامی نقشے میں کسی بھی تبدیلی کا مقصد محض نئی حدود کا تعین نہیں بلکہ عوام کو بہتر حکمرانی، مؤثر نمائندگی اور بنیادی سہولیات تک آسان رسائی فراہم کرنا ہونا چاہئے۔ یہ بات مقررین نے پالیسی ادارہ برائے..... [more >>](#)

ایس ڈی پی آئی کے زیر اہتمام اعلیٰ سطحی قومی مباحثے، طرزِ حکمرانی مضبوط بنانے کے لیے نئے صوبوں، انتظامی یونٹس اور بلدیاتی اصلاحات کا جائزہ

Source: APP, [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-08-13

اسلام آباد۔ 13 اگست (اے پی پی): پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) کے زیر اہتمام اعلیٰ سطحی قومی مباحثے میں سیاسی رہنماؤں، پالیسی سازوں، ماہرین اور سول سوسائٹی کے نمائندوں نے پاکستان میں طرزِ حکمرانی اور عوامی خدمت [more >>](#).....

نئے صوبے یا بااختیار مقامی حکومتیں؟ حکمرانی کے موثر ماڈل پر قومی مکالمہ

Source: News Reporter, [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-08-14

اسلام آباد (نیوز رپورٹر): نئے صوبے یا بااختیار مقامی حکومتیں؟ حکمرانی کے موثر ماڈل پر قومی مکالمہ، انتظامی نقشے میں کسی بھی تبدیلی کا مقصد محض نئی حدود کا تعین نہیں بلکہ عوام کو بہتر حکمرانی، موثر نمائندگی اور بنیادی سہولتیں [more >>](#).....

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