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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.

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It carries reference information’s to the news items/comments/Op-Eds appearing in leading National/International daily newspapers.

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Launched in August 2018, China Study Centre is a broader initiative of Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) to bridge the research-policy gap on the issues of global relevance such as trade, technologies, climate change, tourism, business, finance and Pakistan-China relations. The Centre strives to foster research, knowledge and expertise on China, profoundly relevant to our engagement with China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC).

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Subjects Covered

- Pak-China Foreign Relations
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- Regional integration under China’s Belt & Road (B&R)
- Business, innovation & entrepreneurship
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- Capacity building, learning and development
- Economic growth & governance
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3rd BRI forum
Source: Yasir Habib Khan, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-13
Underpinned by Chinese government’s tenacious fiscal, financial and economic measures, Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) is the best development stimulus ever designed so far that has turbocharged global growth in ten years through infrastructural connectivity, high-tech technology, innovative advancements and top of them helped improved quality of life of common man in the world by lifting up mil..... more >>

Taliban in BRI
Source: Editorial, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-09
The Taliban's involvement in China's Belt and Road Forum is a noteworthy move that illustrates how international diplomacy is evolving. Even though governments across the world have not yet formally recognised the Taliban, China's willingness to work with a variety of stakeholders to promote infrastructure and economic development is demonstrated by the Taliban's attendance..... more >>

China’s economy stabilises, factory activity returns to expansion
BEIJING: China's factory activity expanded for the first time in six months in September, an official survey showed on Saturday, adding to a run of indicators suggesting the world's second-largest economy has begun to bottom out. The purchasing managers’ index (PMI), based on a survey of major manufacturers, rose to 50.2 in September from 49.7, according to the National Bureau of Stat..... more >>

‘Chinese vision of global inclusive development only acceptable way forward’
Islamabad: Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Defence, Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed Saturday said that the Chinese vision of global and inclusive development was the only acceptable way forward as Asia of 21st century could bear the brunt of a new cold war. He was addressing as Chief Guest at the All Pakistan China Overseas Youth Federation (APCOYF) special ceremony held in connection with ..... more >>
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Terrorist attacks; Xi, Li extend condolences to President, PM
Source: APP, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-02
ISLAMABAD: Chinese President Xi Jinping has sent a message of condolence to Pakistani President Arif Alvi over a series of bomb attacks that rocked Pakistan. In his message, Xi said that he was shocked to learn of the attacks which caused heavy casualties. On behalf of the Chinese government and people, Xi mourned deeply for the fatal victims and conveyed sincere sympathies to the bereav... more >

Counter terrorism; Pakistan’s and China’s military intelligence wings to set up hotline
Source: Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-13
ISLAMABAD: The Military Intelligence of Armies of Pakistan and China are to establish hotline on counter terrorism through inking a formal pact, well informed sources told Business Recorder. Sharing the details, sources said, Defence Division on October 2, 2023 informed the Federal Cabinet presided caretaker Prime Minister Anwar ul Haq Kakar that General Headquarters (GHQ) proposed signing of..... more >>

Regional Cooperation
Source: Editorial, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-04
Foreign Minister Jalil Abbas Jilani’s upcoming journey to China for the 3rd Trans Himalaya Forum marks a glimmer of hope, not only for Pakistan and China but for the entire region. This forum serves as a clear indication of the growing significance of collaboration among neighboring nations. Jilani’s involvement in this event has the potential to bolster the ties between Pakistan and Ch..... more >>

Trans-Himalaya Forum; FM to leave for China tomorrow
Source: Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-03
ISLAMABAD: Care-taker Foreign Minister Jalil Abbas Jilani will embark on a two-day official visit to China Wednesday (Oct 4) to participate in the 3rd Trans-Himalaya Forum for International Cooperation, being held in Nyingchi, Tibet Autonomous Region, from 4-5 October. Jilani is undertaking the visit at the special invitation of the Foreign Minister of China, Wang Yi, according to a statement..... more >>

3rd Belt and Road Forum; Over 2 dozen pacts likely to be signed
Source: Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-04
ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China are likely to sign over two dozen pacts at the third Belt and Road Forum (BRF) on October 17-18, 2023 in Beijing, to be attended by the caretaker Prime Minister, Anwar-ul-Haq Kakar, well informed sources in Ministry of Planning, Development and Special Initiatives told Business Recorder. According to Chinese embassy, National Development and Reform Commission of ..... more >>

ML1 Project to be launched soon: Cao Ke
Source: Our Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-05
LAHORE-The Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry on Wednesday celebrated the 74th founding anniversary of the People’s Republic of China. The spectacular ceremony was attended by acting Consul General of China Cao Ke. LCCI President Kashif Anwar spoke on the occasion while Senior Vice President Zafar Mahmood Chaudhry, Vice President Adnan Khalid Butt, Vice President Pakistan (China) Shan..... more >>

Exports to China increase by 5.16% Reach $350.297 million in first two months of FY24
Source: APP, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-07
ISLAMABAD: Pakistan’s exports of goods and services to China have increased by 5.16% in the first two months of the fiscal year 2023-24, reaching $350.297 million, compared to $333.077 million in the same period last year. This
marks a substantial 25.09% increase yearly as reported by the State Bank of Pakistan. In August 2023, exports to China reached $198.932 million, a significant incre..... more >>

July-August 2022-23; Exports to China soar 5.16pc to $350.297m YoY: SBP
Source: NNI, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-07
ISLAMABAD: Pakistan’s exports of goods and services to China witnessed an increase of 5.16 percent during the first two months of the current fiscal year 2023-24, as compared to the exports of the corresponding period of last year, the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) has reported. The overall exports to China were recorded at $350.297 million during July-August 2023-24, against exports of..... more >>

‘Organic Meat’: First Pakistani firm to export meat to China
Source: APP, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-09
BEIJING: In a groundbreaking development for Pakistan’s meat industry, a local meat company named Pakistan’s Organic Meat has achieved a historic milestone by becoming the first Pakistani entity to be registered with the General Administration of Customs of China (GACC). This achievement not only opens up new avenues for Pakistan’s meat exports but also solidifies the countr..... more >>

Pakistan, China discuss smart city construction
Source: China Economic Net, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-10
BEIJING: A Pakistani delegation, led by Faisal Saleem, Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) Senator and Muhammad Imran Masood, member of the Board of Investment (BOI) visited Anlu International Technology Company in Beijing. The delegation held in-depth discussion with the company’s chairman on smart city construction in Pakistan. “Our company is one of the earliest Chinese enterprises to ..... more >>

6 Chinese polyester fabric varieties; New customs values fixed
Source: Sohail Sarfaz, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-10
ISLAMABAD: The Directorate General of Customs Valuation Karachi has fixed new customs values on the import of six different kinds of polyester fabrics from China and other origins for assessment of duties and taxes. In this regard, the directorate has issued a new valuation ruling (1808 of 2023) on Monday. Under the new ruling, the revised values have been fixed on the import of unbleach..... more >>

Gwadar deep seaport poised to play greater role in regional, global trade: Report
Source: Agencies, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-14
BEIJING—Being a core of China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), Gwadar deep seaport is poised to play a greater role in regional and global trade. From bulk cargo of agricultural products to containerized goods such as fertilizers and livelihood supplies, to staple products such as liquefied petroleum gas, business volume has increased significantly since the beginning of this year. A recent re..... more >>

Pakistan, China to step up academic coop in rapeseed
Source: Agencies, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-09
BEIJING: “We are willing to assist Pakistan in the development of the rapeseed industry. We have discussed with the Pakistani delegation and reached a cooperation intention in rapeseed which includes the exchange of germplasm resources, cooperative breeding and regular exchange visits.” This was stated by Li Dianrong, rapeseed expert at Hybrid Rapeseed Research Center in Shaanxi, Chin..... more >>
**ML-1 project with; Revised agreement likely to be signed with China**
Source: Abdul Rasheed Azad, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-13

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan is all set to sign a revised agreement on the ML-1 project with China under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) during the prime minister of Pakistan's upcoming visit to China starting from October 17, senior Pakistan Railways (PR) officials said. The officials said that in this connection a high-level meeting of Pakistan Railways presided over by the Federal..... more >>

**Power projects; Chinese again refuse to renegotiate PPAs**
Source: Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-13

ISLAMABAD: Chinese power projects have, once again, refused to renegotiate Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) with the government of Pakistan, a longstanding wish of dollar-hungry Islamabad. The government has to clear about Rs 350 billion of Chinese power projects dues which is why Chinese state-owned insurance company, Sinosure, is reluctant to extend insurance coverage to any new power project. ..... more >>

**Regional Integration under B&R +CPEC**

**Pakistan fails to realise CPEC potential**
Source: Shahbaz Rana, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-13

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has failed to realise even one-fifth of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) potential and the country’s biggest failure is its inability to increase exports, which is required to finance debt and investment-related obligations, said Privatisation Minister Fawad Hasan Nawad on Thursday. Fawad, who was Pakistan’s focal person on CPEC affairs during the peak ..... more >>

**First phase of Rashakai SEZ nears completion CRBC engaged in construction works under CPEC**
Source: Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-12

PESHAWAR: Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa’s Caretaker Minister of Industries, Commerce, Technical Education, and Newly Merged Districts Affairs, Dr. Aamir Abdullah, emphasized the significance of the Rashakai Special Economic Zone as a pivotal project for industrial development in the province. This zone, established under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), embodies the spirit of mutual cooper..... more >>

**Four years of green BRI and role of BRIGC**

The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) is part of China’s grand strategy for a peaceful, prosperous and beautiful world. President Xi Jinping summarised China’s grand strategy by putting forward the vision of a community with a shared future. He launched four global initiatives – Belt and Road Initiative, Global Security Initiative, Global Development Initiative and Global Civilisat..... more >>

**Third-party participation in CPEC; Accord likely at third Belt and Road Forum**
Source: Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-03

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China are likely to sign a pact on participation of a third party in China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) projects during the forthcoming Belt and Road Forum (BRF). This was revealed by Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) at a recent meeting convened to review progress on CPEC projects, presided over by Caretaker Minister for Planning, Development and Special Initiatives ..... more >>

**China National Day: CPEC & Pakistan**
Source: Dr Asif Channer, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-03

China National Day, celebrated on October 1st, is a joyous occasion for the Chinese people. It marks the founding of the People’s Republic of China and serves as a reminder of their unity, progress, and cultural richness. The
friendship between China and Pakistan has stood the test of time, rooted in mutual trust, support, and shared interests. China and Pakistan have consistently supported ..... more >>

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<td>Caretaker Minister for Planning and Development Sami Saeed has reiterated Pakistan's commitment to fast track implementation of projects under China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) project. Talking to Chinese Ambassador Jiang Zaidong in Islamabad on Monday, he said work on special economic zones has been expedited. He said the government is taking vigorous steps to further improve the secur..... more &gt;&gt;</td>
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**Minister for speeding up work on CPEC**  
Source: APP, *The Express Tribune, Islamabad*, 2023-10-11  
ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Minister for Planning, Development and Special Initiatives Muhammad Sami Saeed on Tuesday gave directives to accelerate the pace of work on the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) projects in Gwadar. Chairing a meeting to review the progress on CPEC projects in Gwadar, he asked ministries and divisions to speed up work on the projects, according to a press statement. Re.... more >>

**CPEC projects in Gwadar: minister reviews progress of work**  
ISLAMABAD: The Caretaker Minister for Planning, Development and Special Initiatives, Muhammad Sami Saeed, directed the ministries and divisions to further accelerate the work on the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) projects in Gwadar. The minister gave these directions while chairing a meeting on Tuesday to review the progress of CPEC projects in Gwadar. The meeting was attended b.... more >>

**CPEC in the crosshairs of disinformation**  
Source: Durdana Najam, *The Express Tribune, Islamabad*, 2023-10-12  
Not once but on many occasions, India and the US have openly discredited China’s Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) with a particular reference to the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). For the US, it is the so-called mines of debt trap that China has laid to snarl the economically weaker Asian states, which is bothersome. To India, an economic network of this magnitude is a source to shif..... more >>

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**CPEC and media exchanges; Chinese CG invites suggestions from APNS**  
KARACHI: The Consul General of the People’s Republic of China Yang Yundong visited the office of All Pakistan Newspapers Society (APNS). The President of APNS Nazafreen Saigol Lakhani and Sarmad Ali, Secretary General APNS, welcomed the guest and stated that Yang Yundong was the first diplomat to visit APNS House. Yang Yundong thanked APNS for inviting him to their office saying th..... more >>

**PM to highlight future priorities of CPEC during China visit: FO**  
ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar ul Haq Kakar will highlight the future priorities of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) and reaffirm Pakistan’s strong commitment to jointly promote its high-quality development during his upcoming visit to China, Foreign Office said. Speaking at her weekly media briefing on Thursday, Foreign Office spokesperson Mumtaz Zahra Baloch sai..... more >>

**CPEC termed engine for socio-economic progress in Pakistan**  
Source: INP, *The Nation, Islamabad*, 2023-10-13  
ISLAMABAD - Chairman of KASB Group, Nasir Ali Shah Bukhari has said that generally, the Chinese side has always wanted that Pakistan must grow and develop using the advantage of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). He also said taht it would become a new engine for the economic development of Pakistan. Speaking at the event “10 Years of Belt and Road Initiative - CPEC” he..... more >>
### CPEC boosts development of industries in Pakistan: Report

**Source:** [APP, The Nation, Islamabad](https://www.app.com.pk), 2023-10-13

BEIJING—The China-Pakistan Economic Corridor has boosted the development of industries such as energy, infrastructure, agriculture, and textiles in Pakistan, making significant contributions to Pakistan’s economy. The report titled “10 Years of Belt and Road Initiative-China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)” was released as China and Pakistan are celebrating the 10th anniversary... more >>

### China to continue supporting Pakistan in implementing CPEC projects, says envoy

**Source:** Muhammad Saleh Zafir, [The News, International](https://www.thenews.com.pk), 2023-10-13

ISLAMABAD: Chinese envoy to Pakistan, Jiang Zaidong has assured that his country would continue to support Pakistan in implementing China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) projects. Addressing a seminar on Belt and Road Initiative: “Paving the Path to Shared Prosperity”, on Thursday the Chinese envoy said that success of CPEC was attributed to Chinese adherence to the principles of th..... more >>

### ‘Nationwide best BRI projects photography competition’ awards ceremony held

**Source:** Jamila Achakzai, [The News, International](https://www.thenews.com.pk), 2023-10-13

Islamabad: The Pakistan-China Institute, in collaboration with the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, marked a momentous occasion on Thursday with the awards ceremony for the ‘Nationwide Best BRI Projects Photography Competition’ held here, the event drew a distinguished assembly of guests, including Mustafa Hyder Sayed, Executive Director of the Pakistan China Institute, Profe..... more >>

### Taliban to join China’s Belt and Road forum, elevating ties

**Source:** News Desk, [The News, International](https://www.thenews.com.pk), 2023-10-15

KABUL: Taliban will attend China’s Belt and Road Forum next week, a spokesman said on Saturday, underscoring Beijing’s growing official ties with the administration, despite its lack of formal recognition by any government, foreign media reported. Taliban officials and ministers have at times travelled to regional meetings, mostly those focused on Afghanistan, but the Belt and Road Fo..... more >>

### CPEC-funded hospital in Kahuta fostering hope, rescuing lives

**Source:** Hamza Rao, [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](https://www.thenews.com.pk), 2023-10-15

LAHORE: It all began with the shivers and chills that would haunt Noman Munir’s nights, threatening to strip away the livelihood and earnings on which his family depended. The diagnosis was grim – malaria – an emergency requiring the resources and expertise of an emergency ward. Noman and his wife operated “Peco and Laces,” a small but beloved business that had been a s..... more >>

### Technology & Innovation

### China’s new mission will also carry Pakistani satellite to moon

**Source:** Hanif Khalid, [The News, International](https://www.thenews.com.pk), 2023-10-02

ISLAMABAD: China’s new mission to the moon, Cheng E6, will also carry a Pakistani satellite to the moon. The China National Space Administration (CNSA) has stated in a statement on the social media site Waco that the Chang’e 6 mission will be launched to the moon in the first half of 2024. The mission will carry payloads to the moon from Pakistan, European Space Agency, France and Ita..... more >>
SDPI’s Engagement

Event News

Climate change losses: Global community urged to compensate Pakistan
Source: Abdul Rasheed Azad, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-07
ISLAMABAD: Speakers at a seminar urging the global community to compensate Pakistan’s environmental damages caused by the 2022 devastating floods have advised the government of Pakistan to bring serious policy reforms. Speaking at a seminar titled, “The Potential of Pakistan’s Case for Claiming Reparation for Loss and Damage in the Aftermath of Floods 2022” organised by Su..... more >>

Credible evidence to strengthen Pak’s case for loss, damage reparations
Source: News Desk, Pakistan Observer, 2023-10-14
Pakistan needs serious course correction and better comprehension of eligibility criteria for global loss and damage fund and this is crucial to overcome challenges hindering the country’s access to global finances needed to boost resilience of the vulnerable countries against climate change. This was said by Ali Tauqeer Sheikh, Adviser World Bank while speaking at a seminar titled &ldqu..... more >>

Experts for grassroots level approaches & livelihood generation for sustainable poverty graduation
Source: SABAH, SABAH News, 2023-10-04
The seminar titled “Social Protection in Pakistan: Challenges, Opportunities and Innovations” was organized under the Sustainable Development Policy Institute’s (SDPI) Monday seminar series. The experts at the seminar said the country’s social protection system needed to focus on poverty alleviation through novel approaches empowering the vulnerable communities through gra..... more >>

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Resilience Day evokes nation’s firm resolve against crises, calamities: speakers
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The speakers at ‘National Resilience Day 2023’ seminar on Monday expressed homage and sincere prayers for survivors and martyrs of the devastating earthquake of 2005 that jolted the entire country and termed the Day reminding the nation’s firm resolve against all crises and calamities. The National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) organised one-day seminar under the title Tow..... more >>
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ZTBL, PARC express resolve to address challenge of food insecurity
ISLAMABAD-Zarai Taraqiati Bank Limited (ZTBL) and Pakistan Agriculture Research Council (PARC) on Tuesday organised national level webinar aimed at uniting agriculture experts, academia, lenders, farmers and other stakeholders for ensuring food security. The webinar, being first of its kind, is an attempt by ZTBL as financial lender and PARC as research institute to mitigate the challenges faced ..... more >>

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ISLAMABAD: Zarai Taraqiati Bank Ltd and Pakistan Agriculture Research Council have reiterated the commitment to mitigate challenges especially food insecurity in the country. The resolve was expressed at a webinar by President Zarai Taraqiati Bank Ltd Tahir Yaqoob Bhatti and Chairman Pakistan Agriculture Research Council Dr Ghulam Muhammad Ali on Tuesday. The webinar was aimed at uniting agriculture expert..... more >>

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