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To be a center of excellence on sustainable development policy research, capacity development and advocacy in Pakistan.

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To keep abreast of emerging issues at the national/international and local level, the SDPI brings out a Bi-Monthly E-Newsletter for “China Study Centre - SDPI”

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

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Editor Note:

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

With a large network of universities, government bodies, business and civil society organizations, the Centre aims to promote collaborations, capacity building and technology transfer based on lessons learnt and experiences of China, attributed to their scientific knowledge and policy instruments. This requires a deep insight into Chinese history, culture, and socio-economic contexts. Such an approach is essential to catalyze the active engagement with China to address the economic and development challenges towards achieving sustainable development.

Subjects Covered

- Pak-China Foreign Relations
- CPEC
- Regional integration under China’s Belt & Road (B&R)
- Business, innovation & entrepreneurship
- Trade and Tourism
- Energy and Environment
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- Capacity building, learning and development
- Economic growth & governance
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- History, language and culture
- Open Knowledge repository
- SDPI’s events, visits, publications
**Renewing BRI potential for growth**
Source: Nasir Jamal, *Dawn Islamabad*, 2023-10-16

China says the multi-trillion-dollar transnational Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) global cooperation platform will become “more open” as it marks 10 years of the project by holding the third Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation (BRF) in Beijing from tomorrow. “Continuing from this new starting point, BRI will demonstrate greater creativity and vitality, become more..... more >>

**Belt & Road - Latest**
Source: Dr Kamal Monnoo, *The Nation, Islamabad*, 2023-10-18

Prime Minister Kakar will be visiting China this week to attend the scheduled Belt & Road moot where one wonders what our endeavour would really be? Well, one assumes that his contingent would have its strategy worked out, however, it would be important to take note that the outlook on what the developing countries would like to extract from this connectivity stands significantly changed from..... more >>

**Caretaker Prime Minister’s Meeting with Chinese Premier Li Qiang**

Caretaker Prime Minister Anwar-ul-Kakar held a bilateral meeting today with Chinese Premier Li Qiang at the sidelines of Third Belt and Road Forum (BRF) in Beijing. They were accompanied by Ministers and senior officials. The two leaders reaffirmed the time-tested and iron-clad friendship between Pakistan and China and agreed to further strengthen high-level dialogue and engagement. They also..... more >>

**Opening ceremony of 3rd BRF underway in Beijing, China**

The opening ceremony of third Belt and Road Forum is in progress in Beijing. Inaugurating the forum, Chinese President Xi Jinping said the Belt and Road Initiative represents humanity’s joint pursuit of development for all. He said it has opened up a new path for exchanges among countries and established a new framework for international cooperation. President Xi said our achievements ov..... more >>

**Global Collaboration**

The recent meeting between caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar and Russian President Vladimir Putin at the 3rd Belt and Road Forum signals a promising development in international relations. It underscores the efforts made by both nations to strengthen their ties and highlights the critical importance of regional cooperation in achieving peace and stability in our interconnected world. O..... more >>

**BRI’s miracle Beijing has ushered in an era of commonality of interests by virtue of geo-economics**
Source: Editorial, *The Express Tribune, Islamabad*, 2023-10-20

It was a moment to rejoice as the Belt and Road Initiative has made progress in leaps and bounds. Caretaker Prime Minister Anwarul Haq Kakar rightly summarized it by saying that the connectivity spree is more than just physical infrastructure; and “it is about connecting people, cultures, and civilizations”. With China emerging as the main trading partner of more than 140 countries wit..... more >>
China, GCC members to deepen Belt and Road trade cooperation
Source: Agencies, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-23
BEIJING-A China will work with the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) to foster bilateral trade and investment as part of efforts to carry out the newly proposed eight major steps to bring Belt and Road cooperation to a new stage of higher-quality and higher-level development, China’s Minister of Commerce Wang Wentao said on Sunday. Wang made the remarks at a meeting of the economic and trade ..... more >>

Taliban say plan to formally join China’s Belt and Road Initiative
Source: Reuters, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-20
BEIJING: The Taliban administration wants to formally join Chinese President Xi Jinping’s huge ‘Belt and Road’ infrastructure initiative and will send a technical team to China for talks, Afghanistan’s acting commerce minister said on Thursday. Beijing has sought to develop its ties with the Taliban-run government since it took over in 2021, even though no other foreign..... more >>

Belt and Road Forum to further boost China-Pakistan time-tested relations
Source: INP, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-26
In a remarkable demonstration of solidarity, the leadership of China and Pakistan has once again reaffirmed their commitment to strengthen the all-weather strategic cooperative partnership, bolstering economic cooperation and enhancing regional stability. Prime Minister Anwaar ul Haq Kakar visited Chinaand participated in the Third Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation held in Beiji..... more >>

3rd Belt and Road Forum strengthens Sino-Pak ties
Source: Our Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad, 2023-10-30
LAHORE - Consul General of China in Lahore Mr Zhao Shiren said that the recently concluded 3rd Belt and Road Forum has injected a fresh impetus into high-quality cooperation between China and Pakistan. We will complete BRI at all costs, even if we have to fight. Speaking at a seminar organised by Institute of International Relations & Media Research on the 3rd BRF: Benefits to Pakistan and Glo..... more >>

Beyond ‘restraint’
Source: Huma Yusuf, Dawn, Islamabad, 2023-10-16
CHINA last week issued a statement on the Israel-Palestine war, calling, noncommittally, for restraint on all sides and an end to hostilities. There was no condemnation of Hamas’s atrocities or of Israel’s response against Gaza’s civilian population. This is the latest example of Chinese non-interference and a manifestation of its Global Civilisation Initiative (GCI), Beijing&rsq..... more >>

Pledge to expedite Gwadar, ML-1 projects lauded
Source: Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-30
LAHORE: Chinese Consul General Zhao Shiren has lauded the recent 3rd Belt and Road Forum for injecting fresh momentum into the high-quality collaboration between Pakistan and China through a mutual commitment to expedite the Gwadar Port development and the ML-1 railway line upgradation. Addressing a seminar organised by the Institute of International Relations and Media Research (IIRMR) on Sunda..... more >>
### Governance / Trade & Services

#### Chinese president’s eight steps
**Source:** Chinadaily.com.cn, *Dawn, Islamabad*, 2023-10-19
**BEIJING:** Chinese President Xi Jinping announced eight major steps to support high-quality cooperation, in his speech at the opening ceremony of the third Belt and Road Forum on Wednesday. Here are the highlights:

- **Multidimensional network** China will build a multidimensional connectivity network, speeding up the development of the China-Europe Railway Express, participate in the trans-Caspian inte.... [more >>]

#### China’s White Paper
**Source:** Khawar Abbas Sandhu, *The Nation, Islamabad*, 2023-10-19

China is the unique civilization on the planet that is the habitat of living beings, which speaks more about the survival of human civilization than its own civilization. The practical expression of which has been seen in the form of One Belt One Road and is now being benefited. Ten years ago President Xi Jinping propounded the idea of building a global community of shared future, answering a ques..... [more >>]

#### China, Pakistan will have shared future in new era: Joint communique
**Source:** Our Staff Reporter, *The Nation, Islamabad*, 2023-10-21

**ISLAMABAD** - Pakistan and China have agreed that both countries are all-weather strategic cooperative partners and iron brothers and friendship between the two countries is time-tested and unbreakable, this was said in a joint communique issued at the end of Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar’s five-day visit to China. The Chinese side reiterated that the Sino-Pak relationshi..... [more >>]

#### Goals of open global economy, connectivity; Pakistan committed to working with China, regional partners: PM
**Source:** APP, *Business Recorder, Islamabad*, 2023-10-19

**BEIJING:** Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar on Wednesday said Pakistan was committed to working with China and other regional partners in achieving the ideals of an open global economy and promoting connectivity on a trans-continental scale. “With shared responsibility and by embracing the vision of working together, we can create a brighter, peaceful, and sustainable future f..... [more >>]

#### Pakistan, China agree to strengthen high-level engagement
**Source:** APP, *Business Recorder, Islamabad*, 2023-10-19

**BEIJING:** Pakistan and China on Wednesday agreed to further strengthen high-level dialogue and engagement besides deepening the political, economic, education, science & technology, cultural, and people-to-people relations. The bilateral ties were discussed in a bilateral meeting between caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar and Chinese Premier Li Qiang on the sidelines of Third Bel..... [more >>]

#### Adopting Chinese approach to help Pakistan tackle inflation
**Source:** Agencies, *The Nation, Islamabad*, 2023-10-18

**ISLAMABAD**-Pakistan has been consistently witnessing double-digit inflation for the last 18 months. China’s multifaceted approach to tackling inflation offers the country numerous valuable lessons to learn. This was stated by Liaqat Ali, Executive Director at the Centre of Excellence for China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), Peshawar. The current wave of inflation in the country is roote..... [more >>]
### Pakistan-China Relations / Foreign Affairs

#### Pakistan-China partnership: bridging nations, building communities
Source: Anwaar-Ul-Haq Kakar, *The Express Tribune, Islamabad*, 2023-10-17
The tale of Pakistan-China relations is not an ordinary one. It is an account of brotherhood, friendship and trust whose foundations were laid more than seventy years ago. The vision of the leadership of our two countries at the time laid a solid basis for a relationship which has subsequently been carefully nurtured into a robust, vibrant, time-tested, all-weather strategic cooperative partnership..... [more >>](#)

#### Pakistan, China to deepen cooperation Will sign deals for developing mineral sector, promoting green economy
Source: Shahbaz Rana, *The Express Tribune, Islamabad*, 2023-10-17
ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar's visit to Beijing can reenergise bilateral economic relations, as China has shown interest in signing agreements for deepening cooperation in mineral sector development, green economy and research on major issues for the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI). The areas that Beijing has highlighted for future cooperation will shift Pakistan's usual..... [more >>](#)

#### Disappointing signal for PM’s visit; Pak-China Business, Investment Forum event cancelled
Source: Mushtaq Ghumman, *Business Recorder, Islamabad*, 2023-10-16
ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwar-ul-Haq’s visit to China to participate in the 3rd Build and Road Forum (BRF) scheduled to be held October 17-18, 2023 has reportedly received a disappointing signal: that the event of Pak-China Business and Investment Forum has been cancelled, well informed sources in Board of Investment (BoI) told Business Recorder. Board of Investment had made..... [more >>](#)

#### Pakistan-China Partnership: Bridging Nations, Building Communities
Source: Anwaar-Ul-Haq Kakar, *The Nation, Islamabad*, 2023-10-17
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#### Pakistan-China partnership; Bridging nations, building communities
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#### Baqar, Chinese authorities agree on early launch of KCR
Karachi: Sindh Caretaker Chief Minister Justice (retd) Maqbool Baqar and China Railway Construction Corporation (CRCC) Vice President Li Samaa in their meeting at the CRCC International Headquarters in China have agreed to remove the only two remaining bottlenecks to launch the much-awaited Karachi Circular Railway (KCR) project. The meeting was held on the sidelines of The Third Belt and Road Fo..... [more >>](#)
Pakistan, China agree to boost media cooperation
ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China have decided to further strengthen cooperation between the mainstream media of the two countries. The decision was made during a meeting of a Chinese media delegation led by China’s Political Counsellor Ms. Bao Zhong with the Caretaker Federal Minister for Information Murtaza Solangi, said a press release on Saturday. The two sides also decided to highlight.... more >>

PM in rare visit to Xinjiang
Source: AFP, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-21
ISLAMABAD: Prime minister offered Friday prayers in China’s Xinjiang province, as he became one of the few leaders of an Islamic nation to visit the region since more than a million Uyghurs and other Muslim minorities there were swept into detention facilities. Caretaker prime minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar travelled to China to take part in a summit hosted by President Xi Jinping in Beijing...... more >>

Chinese delegation visits CCP
Source: Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-20
ISLAMABAD: The Competition Commission of Pakistan hosted a 6-member Chinese delegation led by Dr Gan Lin, Vice Minister of the State Administration for Market Regulation. The delegation included Xu Lefu, Director General of the Department II of Antimonopoly Enforcement; Zhou Zhigao, Deputy Director General of the Department of Competition Policy and Coordination; Ms Zhao Lingzhi, Director of the G..... more >>

Pakistan, China agree to further cement bilateral ties
Source: News Desk, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-18
Pakistan and China on Wednesday agreed to further strengthen high-level dialogue and engagement besides deepening the political, economic, education, science and technology, cultural, and people-to-people relations. The bilateral ties were discussed in a bilateral meeting between Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul Kakar and Chinese Premier Li Qiang on the sidelines of Third Belt and Road Forum (..... more >>

Khunjerab Pass to stay open all year round
Source: Reuters, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-21
KARACHI: The Khunjerab Pass, a major land trade route between Pakistan and China, will be converted to an all-weather border, Pakistani caretaker prime minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar said at an event at the Belt and Road Forum in Beijing on Friday. China is a major ally and investor in Pakistan. The two countries collaborate on the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, a flagship project under Chin..... more >>

Use of RMB; Regulatory framework put in place: minister
Source: Zaheer Abbasi, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-28
ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Finance Minister Dr Shamshad Akhtar Friday said the State Bank of Pakistan has already put in place the required regulatory framework, which facilitates the use of Chinese currency (RMB) in trade and investment transactions. Addressing the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC) RMB clearing bank event on Friday, the caretaker finance minister said that China and P..... more >>
PM Kakar invites Chinese investment in solar parks to help address climate change, steep energy import bill
Source: Dawn.com, Dawn, Islamabad, 2023-10-17
Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar on Tuesday invited China to invest in solar parks to support Pakistan’s fight against climate change and help reduce Pakistan’s energy import bill. The interim premier reached Beijing on Monday to participate in the 3rd Belt and Road Forum (BRF) for International Cooperation. At the airport, he was received by Chinese Minister..... more >>

100 Chinese firms to visit Pakistan
Source: China Economic Net, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-18
BEIJING: Caretaker Minister for Planning Sami Saeed has highlighted Pakistan’s national pride in being a significant contributor to the success of the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and emphasised the pivotal role of the BRI in fostering regional connectivity. During a meeting with Chinese technology enterprises, the minister underscored Pakistan’s commitment to further strengthening..... more >>

Deal inked for port development China will provide support to develop Gwadar Port in better, faster way
Source: Shahbaz Rana, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-19
ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China have signed a new advisory deal for faster development of Gwadar Port aimed at giving a push to the strategically important pillar of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) that is facing inordinate delays. The advisory deal was among 20 agreements and memoranda of understanding (MoUs) that Pakistan and China signed mostly in areas recommended by China. Tw..... more >>

Pakistan, China explore investment avenues
Source: Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-22
ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister of Commerce Dr Gohar Ejaz held a series of highly productive meetings with prominent Chinese business leaders and investment groups on the sidelines of the 3rd Belt and Road Forum in Beijing. These meetings were aimed at strengthening economic ties between Pakistan and China and exploring investment opportunities in Pakistan, according to a statement issued on Saturday..... more >>

$72.7m in FDI received from China Beijing’s share in Pakistan’s total FDI stood at 46.66% in September
Source: Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-22
ISLAMABAD: Pakistan received foreign direct investment (FDI) of $72.7 million from China in September, contributing to a total of $126.3 million in the overall FDI during the first three months of the financial year 2023-24 from the friendly neighbouring country. Citing the latest statistics issued by the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP), Gwadar Pro, a non-governmental organisation, indicated th..... more >>

Dr Gohar conducts successful meetings with Chinese business leaders
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China ready to boost Pakistan ties but urges security guarantee: Xi
Source: Reuters, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-21
BEIJING: China is willing to strengthen co-operation and promote solidarity with Pakistan but has urged it to guarantee the safety of Chinese organisations and personnel working there, China’s foreign ministry said, quoting President Xi Jinping. China is a major ally and investor in Pakistan but both separatist and Islamist militants have attacked Chinese projects over recent years, kil..... more >>
Joint statement issued; Pakistan, China reiterate resolve to move forward together
Source: INP, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-21
ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China have reiterated the resolve to move forward together on the path of development, and accelerate the building of an even closer Pak-China community with a shared future in the new era. In a joint statement, after completion of Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar’s visit to China, the two sides reaffirmed their support for each other on issues concerning their..... more >>

PM encourages Chinese firms to explore Pakistan’s vast potential
Source: APP, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-20
BEIJING: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar on Thursday encouraged China’s corporate executives to explore the vast investment potential of Pakistan. The prime minister said this in a meeting with a number of Chinese corporate executives on the sidelines of the Third Belt and Road Forum here. The CEOs and executives of Chinese enterprises who called on the prime minister ..... more >>

PM apprises mining firms about investment facilitation
Source: APP, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-20
BEIJING: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar on Thursday said Pakistan was offering opportunities to Chinese companies and the world to invest in mining and metallurgy sectors with high productivity yields. The prime minister expressed these views as he met Chairman Minmentionals Weng Zuliang and Chairman China Metallurgical Group Corporation Chen Jianuang in Beijing. The meeting was he..... more >>

Petroleum sector; Pakistan, China sign MoU on $1.5bn investment
Source: APP, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-24
BEIJING: The United Energy Group of China and Pakistan Refinery Limited on Wednesday signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the investment worth $ 1.5 billion in the petroleum sector. Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar and Federal Energy Minister Muhammad Ali also witnessed the ceremony. The MoU will help increase the petrol production capacity of the refinery from 250,000 me..... more >>

MoU inked to set up EV stations China-Pak JV aims to remove hurdles preventing transition to alternative fuels
Source: China Economic Net, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-27
BEIJING: Pakistan’s Senate Chairman Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani, along with a delegation, witnessed the signing of a landmark memorandum of understanding (MoU) in Beijing. The MoU, inked on October 25 between TGOOD, a leading Chinese company, and the REC Group of Pakistan, aims to promote environmentally friendly electric vehicles (EVs) in Pakistan. Speaking on the occasion, the Senate chairm..... more >>

Jilani reaffirms Pakistan’s unwavering commitment to ‘Shanghai Spirit’
Source: Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-27
ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Foreign Minister Jalil Abbas Jilani has reaffirmed Pakistan’s unwavering commitment to the “Shanghai Spirit”, emphasizing mutual trust and a shared vision for prosperity and development. According to Foreign Office spokesperson Mumtaz Zahra Baloch, Jilani is in Bishkek where he is leading the Pakistani delegation at the Council of Heads of Government of ..... more >>

‘Use of renminbi to help trade with China’
Source: Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad, 2023-10-28
KARACHI: State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) Governor Jameel Ahmad said on Friday using the renminbi (RMB) for settling cross-border trade and investment transactions with China can further strengthen the long-lasting economic
and financial ties. Addressing a ceremony on promoting the use of RMB in cross-border settlement organised by ICBC Bank Ltd, Mr Ahmad said the SBP has put in place the required re..... more >>

**Use of RMB to facilitate trade with China: SBP governor**

Source: Agencies, *The Nation, Islamabad*, 2023-10-28

ISLAMABAD-Addressing a ceremony on "Promoting the use of RMB in Cross-Border Settlement" Friday, organized by ICBC Bank in the Jinnah Conventional Center Islamabad, Governor SBP Jameel Ahmad highlighted the strong and long-lasting economic and financial ties between Pakistan and China, and said using Renminbi (RMB) for settling cross-border trade and investment transactions with China ..... more >>

**‘Pakistan National Pavilion’ inaugurated at Sichuan Agriculture Expo**


BEIJING: Pakistan’s Ambassador in China, Moin ul Haque inaugurated the Pakistan National Pavilion at the Sichuan Agriculture Expo in Chengdu. He was joined by the Vice Governor of Sichuan Province, Hu Yun, the Secretary Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP), Dr Farheed Iqbal and Pakistan’s Acting Consul General in Chengdu, Agha Hunain Abbas Khan. The Pavilion introduces the ..... more >>

**Pakistan Pavilion inaugurated at Sichuan Agriculture Expo**

Source: APP, *The Nation, Islamabad*, 2023-10-29

BEIJING-Pakistan’s Ambassador in China, Moin Ul Haque inaugurated the Pakistan National Pavilion at the Sichuan Agriculture Expo in Chengdu. He was joined by the Vice Governor of Sichuan Province, Hu Yun, the Secretary Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP), Dr. Farheed Iqbal and Pakistan’s acting Consul General in Chengdu, Agha Hunain Abbas Khan. The Pavilion introduces the ..... more >>

**Pakistan, China agree to fast-track Gwadar Port, ML-1 upgradation**


LAHORE: Consul General of China in Lahore Zhao Shiren says the recently concluded 3rd Belt and Road Forum has injected a fresh energy into longstanding cooperation between China and Pakistan. Speaking at a seminar organized by Institute of international Relations & Media Research on The 3rd BRF: Benefits to Pakistan and Global Shared Community here on Sunday, he said both sides agreed to ..... more >>

**EV revolution**

Source: Editorial, *The Express Tribune, Islamabad*, 2023-10-29

In a groundbreaking development, Senate Chairman Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani led a delegation for the signing of a crucial memorandum of understanding (MoU) in Beijing. The agreement, inked on October 25, between TGOOD, a leading Chinese company, and Pakistan’s REC Group, focuses on advancing environmentally friendly electric vehicles (EVs) in the country. Beyond EVs, TGOOD will lead the develop..... more >>

**Sindh govt, Chinese firm agree on Karachi Circular Railway operation**

Source: Tahir Siddiqui, *Dawn, Islamabad*, 2023-10-18

KARACHI: Interim Chief Minister retired Justice Mqbool Baqar and Vice President of China Railway Construction Company Li Samaa have agreed to settle the issues of Right of Way (RoW) and sovereignty guarantee to start the much-awaited Karachi Circular Railway, this emerged on Tuesday. A spokesperson of the Chief Minister House told Dawn that the chief minister discussed at length the KCR projec..... more >>
**KCR to be built by CRCC: Sindh CM**

Source: INP, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-19

KARACHI: Karachi Circular Railway (KCR) will be built by China Railway Construction Corporation (CRCC) at a cost of $2.002 billion. This was announced by the Caretaker Chief Minister of Sindh, Former Justice Maqbool Baqir, after a meeting with the President and Vice President of CRCC in Beijing. According to media reports, the KCR will be a 43-km long elevated railway with 24 stations. It is ..... more >>

**Pakistan seeks investment in solar parks to cut energy bill**

Source: Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad, 2023-10-18

ISLAMABAD: In order to meet energy requirement of the country, Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar on Tuesday invited China to invest in solar parks to help reduce Pakistan’s energy import bill and support the country’s fight against climate change. “Investments in solar parks would benefit two-fold. On one hand, they will support Pakistan’s endeavours for climat..... more >>

**BRI drives Pakistan’s green transformation**

Source: China Economic Net, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-21

BEIJING: “The Green Silk Road is an important tool that can help us all pull out of the dead ends of the past and set us on a new pathway that benefits people and planet alike,” United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres emphasised in his speech at the high-level forum on green development of the third Belt and Road Forum for International Cooperation held on October 18. With ..... more >>

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

**Pakistan ready to work on goals of open global economy: PM**

Source: Monitoring Desk, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-19

BEIJING - Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar on Wednesday said Pakistan was committed to working with China and other regional partners in achieving the ideals of an open global economy and promoting connectivity on a trans-continental scale. “With shared responsibility and by embracing the vision of working together, we can create a brighter, peaceful, and sustainable future fo..... more >>

**Beijing to strengthen CPEC for another decade**

Source: Iftikhar A. Khan, Dawn, Islamabad, 2023-10-16

ISLAMABAD: Chinese ambassador in Pakistan Jiang Zaidong has expressed his country’s readiness to further promote the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) in partnership with Pakistan. “We are ready to work with our Pakistani colleagues from all walks of life to further promote the projects in the next 10 years of CPEC,” the Chinese ambassador said at a seminar, “CPEC ..... more >>

**Prosperity Path**

Source: Editorial, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-17

The recent expression of commitment by the Chinese ambassador to further enhance the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) is a positive development that underscores the enduring spirit of bilateral cooperation. The vision to transform CPEC into a “corridor of love and peace” is a noble aspiration, brimming with potential to elevate collaboration across a multitude of sectors, includ..... more >>

**Pakistan committed to CPEC as corridor of socio-economic growth: PM**

Source: Mateen Haider, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-17

ISLAMABAD/ BEIJING - As Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul- Haq Kakar has arrived in Beijing, he expressed Pakistan’s commitment to jointly building the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), saying the project has
transformed the socio-economic landscape of Pakistan. “The CPEC has transformed the socio-economic landscape of Pakistan, upgrading modern infrastructure, enhancing reg..... more >>

Caretaker Prime Minister attends an Interactive Roundtable on CPEC  
Source: Web Desk, The Nation, Islamabad , 2023-10-17  
Caretaker Prime Minister today presided over an interactive roundtable on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) in Beijing. The roundtable was attended by a number of academics, scholars and researchers from notable Chinese think tanks and academic institutions. Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister shared Pakistan’s vision of CPEC rooted in its desire for regional connectivity and..... more >>

Festival marks 10th CPEC launch anniversary  
Event also commemorates founding of People’s Republic of China  
Source: News Desk, The Express Tribune, Islamabad , 2023-10-18  
ISLAMABAD: An event was held to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the launch of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) and "Belt and Road" (BRI) initiative and the 74th anniversary of the founding of the People’s Republic of China on Monday. The event titled Pakistan-China Friendship Festival was organised by the All Pakistan-China Friendship Association (APCFA) in collabo..... more >>

CPEC a practical manifestation of win-win cooperation: PM  
Source: APP, Business Recorder, Islamabad , 2023-10-18  
BEIJING: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar has said that the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, one of the signature projects under the Belt and Road Initiative, is a practical manifestation of win-win cooperation and shared prosperity and a commendable endeavour in building a China-Pakistan community with a shared future. "All these elements also form the bedrock of President..... more >>

CPEC manifests win-win cooperation: Kakar  
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Pakistan, China commit to broaden CPEC horizons  
Source: Syed Irfan Raza | Amin Ahmed, Dawn, Islamabad , 2023-10-19  
ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China on Wednesday agreed to expand the scope of the multibillion-dollar CPEC infrastructure project, which will now diversify to areas like industrial development, ICT, livelihood projects, mining and mineral exploration, and agriculture. Presently, the corridor is confined to road and rail connectivity and economic zones. Both countries also signed an agreement on the ..... more >>
Pakistan completes projects worth $25b under CPEC
Source: News Desk, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2023-10-19
BEIJING/ ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar on Wednesday said that Pakistan had completed more than 50 projects worth $25 billion under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). Kakar was speaking at the third Belt and Road Forum (BRF) in Beijing. The CPEC is a flagship project under China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), with more than $65 billion pledged for road, ..... more >>

CPEC’s potential
Source: Editorial, Dawn, Islamabad, 2023-10-20
PAKISTAN is the ‘key link’ in Beijing’s multi-trillion-dollar transactional Belt and Road Initiative and, therefore, one of the few participating countries that have gained the most from Chinese investments under this global cooperation umbrella. However, Sino-Pakistan cooperation on CPEC — BRI’s flagship project, which seeks to connect countries across continents ..... more >>

PM’s BRF participation reaffirms commitment to CPEC
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ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar recently concluded his significant visit to China, which reaffirmed Pakistan’s commitment to timely completion of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) projects, a flagship of the Belt and Road Initiative, besides profusely advocating the need for collective efforts for regional connectivity and shared prosperity. The prime minis..... more >>

The BRI as disruptor
If the often-used Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and Silk Road analogy is true, and indications are that it is, then by bringing some ancient Silk Road history to bear, we may better appreciate the need to get onto the BRI. Briefly, the Silk Road history goes like this: It began during the Han dynasty in 130 BC about 2,500 years after silk was first reeled in China and gave its name to the severa..... more >>

Media Unity
Source: Editorial, The Nation, Islamabad, 2023-10-23
The recent decision to enhance cooperation between Pakistani and Chinese mainstream media is a significant step that underscores the growing bond and mutual interests between these two nations. This move comes as no surprise, given the substantial investments and collaborative projects that China and Pakistan have undertaken together, primarily through the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). ..... more >>

CPEC-related projects will be highlighted through PTV: Solangi
Source: Nuzhat Nazar, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2023-10-22
ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China on Saturday mutually decided to strengthen cooperation between their mainstream media by highlighting China Pakistan Economic Corridor-related projects through PTV. The Minister for Information and Broadcasting Murtaza Solangi met a Chinese media delegation led by China’s Political Counsellor Miss Bao Zhong. The forum agreed to further strengthen pract..... more >>

Xi explains how he looks at CPEC, bilateral relations
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BEIJING: President of China Xi Jinping said on Thursday that his country stood ready to work with Pakistan to carry forward the traditional friendship and deepen the bilateral partnership. He also reiterated the resolve to accelerate building China-Pakistan partnership in the new era of community for shared future for benefit of the two peoples. He also assured caretaker prime minister A..... more >>
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Pakistan's collaboration with China on the lunar research station project is a momentous leap into the fascinating and enigmatic world of lunar exploration. This partnership opens doors to investigating the moon's south pole, a region cloaked in mystery, offering profound scientific potential. As nations across the globe look to the moon with renewed interest, Pakistan's involvement..... more >>

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Dr. Abid Qaiyum Suleri calls for joint efforts to make Pakistan a food secure country
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**Climate change resilience discussed Experts call for revising national disaster risk reduction policy**

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KARACHI: The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) organised ‘Climate Action Panel Discussion’ at the launch of Four Thematic Policy Position Papers. Members of the academia, civil society, journalists and business community were in attendance. Opening the panel discussion, Deputy Executive Director, SDPI, Dr. Shafqat Munir Ahmad briefed the participants about the Four Thematic.....  more >>

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ISLAMABAD-Pakistan People’s Party (PPP) Vice President Senator Sherry Rehman yesterday said that while Pakistan successfully advocated for the establishment of a Loss and Damage Fund during COP 27, there was a looming risk of losing the momentum and consensus needed to effectively operationalize it for the benefit of developing countries facing environmental risks. Her comments came during..... more >>

Loss and damage
Climate change is one of the most critical security issues for human beings, posing serious social, environmental, and developmental challenges. The effects of global climate change in Pakistan are evident in the form of changes in the weather pattern, increased frequency of droughts, floods, glacial lake outburst floods (GLOF), changes in agricultural patterns, decrease in freshwater supply, and..... more >>

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Climate-Induced Conflicts
Source: Ali Rehmat Shimshali and Ramsha Mehboob Khan, Daily Times, 2023-10-24
Striving for survival is one of the key characteristics of human beings. The process is so complex that sometimes we confuse the means of our survival and choose means that benefits us on one hand and slowly kills us on other hand. Its human psychology and mindset that is mostly influenced by large scales and numbers. Human always counts benefits and losses in monetary form and ignores whatever i..... more >>

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Setting aside any notions of conspiracy theories, let us delve into the primary factors that have consistently shaped voter behaviour in the last three general elections. It can be confidently asserted that the electorate’s sentiments gravitated towards the Pakistan Peoples Party following the tragic assassination of Benazir Bhutto in 2008, lean..... more >>

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Strategic alliances can not only augment the financial resources available for COP activities but also foster a collaborative ethos, bringing a diverse array of stakeholders together to engage in meaningful dialogue and action
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Don’t Be a Bad Manager
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Successful organizations adapt to the changing trends and agree to such policies and frameworks that are fulfilling the needs of their employee’s appetite and extract the finest qualities out of them. Such organizations have creative, skilled and active employees who are mainly multitaskers. Organizations with creative interiors have more employee working efficiency and create a positive imp..... more >>

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