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Economic Growth & Governance

Yuan's fall may increase Pakistan's trade deficit with China

Source: [Hussain H Zaidi, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-03

ISLAMABAD: The recent currency devaluation by China, which has brought the yuan-dollar parity to the lowest level since 2008, as part of its efforts to offset the impact of its tariff war with the United States, doesn't augur well for Pakistan. The yuan's sharp devaluation means that, all else equal, Pakistan's exports to China will become less competitive, while imports fr.....

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Continuity in policies was key to eradicate poverty in China: envoy

Source: [News Desk, Daily Times](#), 2019-10-18

Chinese Ambassador Yao Jing on Thursday said that over the past 30 years, consistency in policies, flexibility in developmental frameworks for different regions and putting poverty alleviation central to overall comprehensive development agenda were the main things that helped eradicate poverty in China. He was addressing a special seminar titled "Celebrating 70 years of China's achieve.....

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Addressing the USA's Concerns

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-25

After a rather specific press conference from the Assistant Secretary Alice Wells addressing the United States' concern for the China Economic Pakistan Corridor (CPEC), Pakistan has addressed the matter with great vigour, reinforcing not only the sovereignty of the state but also the new foreign policy vision of Pakistan for the next decade. Pakistan has suffered endlessly due to tussle betw.....

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Economic Growth & Governance (Both China & Pakistan)

Repairing damage caused to CPEC

Source: [By Kamran Yousaf](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-14

Repairing damage caused to CPEC Prime Minister Imran Khan was in Beijing last week. He was accompanied by key ministers, the Army Chief and the head of the ISI, suggesting the visit was not ordinary. This was not the first visit by PM Imran to China. In fact this was his third tour to Beijing this year alone. But the significance of the latest trip was that it happened against the b.....

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Tackling economic woes

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More Power to CPEC

Source: [Sabah Aslam, Daily Times](#) , 2019-12-15

It has been almost five years since the mega structural and economic project was practically inceptioned. Throughout its progression, it was criticised multiple times by Western media and cynics of Pakistan. This is enough proof of the fact that the CPEC is a worthy project for Pakistan. In this regard, Washington remained consistent in spewing detest against China-Pakistan Economic corridor. Whether i.....

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Energy, Environment & Climate Change

Pakistan seeks Chinese investment in solar power

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2019-09-03

LAHORE: China has always provided support and assistance for Pakistan's economic and social development, said Federal Minister for Science and Technology Chaudhry Fawad Hussain. Speaking at the inaugural ceremony of the seventh Pak-China Business Forum and Industrial Expo in Lahore on Monday, the minister highlighted that the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) had transformed ties.....

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China adds coal power despite climate pledge

Source: [AFP, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2019-11-21

BEIJING: China plans to add new coal power plants equivalent to all of the EU's current generating capacity, putting the world's biggest emitter out of sync with its commitments to combat climate change, researchers said Wednesday. China built enough new plants between January 2018 and June 2019 — nearly 43 gigawatts worth of capacity — to cancel out the decrease in th.....

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Execution of CPEC projects: China asks Pakistan to keep stability in taxes, power tariff

Source: [Mehtab Haider, The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#) , 2019-11-18

ISLAMABAD: China has asked Pakistan to maintain stability in its taxes and power tariff while establishing a better regulated and more efficient power market for execution of CPEC projects. The Chinese side through its official communication also emphasised upon the need that "both sides shall enhance communication and coordination, analyse the impact of changing policies on CPEC pro.....

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CPEC energy projects create 10,000 jobs

Source: [Tanveer Ahmed, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2019-11-22

KARACHI: China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)'s energy projects have contributed \$250 million in taxes and provided 10,000 jobs by adding 14.5 percent of the total electricity output in NTDC system so far. According to the

official documents, CPEC energy cooperation has increased power supply in Pakistan. Power generation of CPEC projects reached 17.728 billion kWh, 14.5 percent of t.....

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History, language & culture

Xinjiang, what a wonderful land!

Source: [Dr Imtiaz Haider](#), [Daily Times](#), 2019-09-04

Over the years, to build Xinjiang into a beautiful and rich homeland for people in the western region, the Chinese government had adopted the most preferential policies. "Xinjiang, what a wonderful land!" is the name of a famous song that my Uyghur classmates often sang when I was studying in Beijing. I had been deeply attracted by the beautiful melody with strong character.....

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Chinese papers

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Pak-China Relations / Foreign Affairs

China reiterates to support Pakistan on all issues including Kashmir

Source: [APP](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-09-24

NEW YORK: Chinese State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi Monday called on Prime Minister Imran Khan wherein he reaffirmed Chinese support to Pakistan on the Kashmir issue, and for safeguarding and promoting its core interests. During the meeting held on the sidelines of the ongoing United Nations General Assembly Session , the prime minister underscored that the time-tested all weather stra.....

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Pak-China relations unbreakable: Malik

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-24

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan People's Party leader Senator Rehman Malik yesterday said that the Pak-China relations were unbreakable. READ MORE:Turkey: Terror attack on police bus injures 5 In a meeting with Pang Chunxue,

Deputy Chief of Mission of China and Minister Counsellor in Pakistan, the PPP leader that said the Bhutto family had laid the foundation of the every growing Pak-China friend.....

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Pakistan, China continue to be strategic cooperative partners: Envoy

Source: [APP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-22

BEIJING - Expressing her faith in Pak-China relationship, Pakistan Ambassador to China, Naghmana Hashmi said she is looking forward to deeper cooperation between the two countries through the Belt and Road Initiative and the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank. READ MORE:Brexit knot still tight after court blow to suspension In an exclusive interview with China Focus published on Saturday,

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China inaugurates visa facilitation centre in Lahore

Source: [Shahram Haq](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-24

LAHORE: Chinese Ambassador to Pakistan Yao Jing has emphasised that advocating ease of doing business and hard work by Pakistani authorities for regional connectivity, peace and prosperity is a good omen. "China and Pakistan right now are reaching a new stage of cooperation and we put economic development and cooperation as a priority," Yao said while speaking at an inaugural cer.....

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Pakistan-China ties

Source: [Amna Ejaz Rafi](#), [Daily Times](#), 2019-09-26

Pakistan and China bilateral relations established in May 1951, have progressed over the years. During the 1970s, Pakistan played the role of a facilitator in normalizing China-US relations. The US Secretary of State Henry Kissinger meeting with President Zhou Enlai in Beijing was facilitated by Pakistan, which later led to the visit of President Nixon to China. These developments showed the mushr.....

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China at 70

Source: [Editorial](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-10-01

THE rise and transformation of China over the last seven decades — from an ideological state to an economic powerhouse — has been both complex and impressive. It has indeed taken much blood and toil, and the journey to transform an authoritarian, largely isolated state into one of the world's major powers has not always been a smooth one. Today as Beijing observes the 70th anniv.....

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PM to attend China-Pakistan Business Forum in Beijing

Source: [INP](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#) , 2019-10-01

BEIJING: According to China Council for the Promotion of International Trade, Prime Minister Imran Khan will attend the China Pakistan Business Forum to be held here on October 8. It will be his third visit to China within a year. After sworn in as prime minister Imran Khan paid his first official visit to China and attended the first China International Import Expo held in Shanghai in November 2.....

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China at 70

Source: [Abdul Sattar](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#) , 2019-10-02

This October marks the 70th anniversary of the Chinese revolution that abolished feudalism, defeated reactionary forces and forced imperialist forces to end their illegal intervention in the internal affairs of the giant country. Before the revolution, the most populous country on the earth had been turned into a battleground for Western powers. The US, the UK, France and other hegemonic state.....

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China at 70 (Part-II)

Source: [Muhammad Asif Noor](#), [Daily Times](#) , 2019-10-02

Apart from the other important steps during the reform periods, one of the innovative ways were establishment of the Special Economic Zones in different parts of the country keeping in view the strengths of the region in terms of agriculture or industrial outputs. These zones were the economic laboratories where a controlled environment was provided to conduct the economic progressive experiments

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Founders of Modern China

Source: [Dr Shabir Hashmi](#), [Daily Times](#) , 2019-10-04

Though China was on the global map since more than five thousand years, but the foundation of modern China was laid down under the Chairmanship of Mao Zedong on 1st October 1949. Mao Zedong was a legendary character who has changed the history of China. After the death of Mao Zedong, Deng Xiaoping took over the charge. He was leader with a gift of high intellect. Mr. Deng was not only an accomplis.....

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PM's China visit

Source: [News Desk](#), [Dawn](#) , 2019-10-11

THE high-level visit to China by the top political and military leadership of Pakistan has yielded some positive movement in this country's attempts to draw international attention to the atrocities being perpetrated by New Delhi in India-held Kashmir. The joint statement released at the conclusion of the visit mentioned the Kashmir dispute as well as the UN resolutions, which is an advance

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Cooperation with China

Source: [News Desk](#), [The News Karachi](#), 2019-10-11

As has been the case for more than five decades, China continues to remain Pakistan's closest ally. At a meeting between President Xi Jinping and Prime Minister Imran Khan in Beijing, China said it was willing to expand the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor and that this would speed up regional development. There has been concern in Pakistan over a reported slowdown in work on CPEC, but Be.....

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Pak-China trade

Chinese delegation discusses preferential tariff on 313 Pakistani products

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-02

RAWALPINDI - A seven-member Chinese delegation visited the Rawalpindi Chamber of Commerce and Industry (RCCI) and held an informative and interactive session on preferential tariff by the Chinese government on 313 Pakistani products. READ MORE: PPP submits adjournment motion in Senate over shifting Zardari to jail The head of the delegation Anderson informed the participants that a supply Cha.....

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<https://dailytimes.com.pk/461070/pakistan-china-trade-where-we-stand/>

Source: [Asif Javed](#), [Daily Times](#), 2019-09-07

As per the data of the State Bank of Pakistan, Pakistan's exports to China increased from \$1.8 billion in the fiscal year 2018 to \$1.9 billion in the fiscal year 2019. In percentage terms, the share of exports to China increased from 7.2 percent in total exports in the fiscal year 2018 to 7.7% in the fiscal year 2019. Major export items include cotton yarn, rice, alcohol and other spirits, cop.....

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'Tax-free import from China to benefit traders'

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-20

QUETTA: Quetta Chamber of Commerce and Industry (QCCI) President Haji Jumma Khan Badezai on Thursday said tax-free import of Chinese products would open new business opportunities for the province's traders. He was speaking while receiving a list of 313 tax-free Chinese products that could be imported through the Chinese Amen Logistic Company. "When the chairman of the Chinese A.....

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Reengineering investment priorities

Source: [Hussain Ahmad Siddiqui](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-09-23

The Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) has been rather low in the year 2018-19, recording \$1.73 billion, almost half of \$3.47 billion received in 2017-18, though it picked up from a major dip between the periods 2011-12 to 2014-15. Nonetheless, the FDI is expected to rise in the coming years as a result of improved economic indicators and recent measures adopted by the government for creating an env.....

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Chinese envoy, KP minister discuss Cooperation

Source: [Recorder Report](#) , [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2019-09-23

PESHAWAR: Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Minister for Finance Taimur Saleem Jhagra has said that China has always played a vital role in the socio-economic development of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa adding that the KP government was taking all possible steps to facilitate investors to attract maximum foreign investment. This he said while talking to the Ambassador of People's Republic of China, Yao Jing who.....

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CPEC 2nd phase to help reviving industrialization in Pakistan

Source: [APP](#) , [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2019-09-23

ISLAMABAD: China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) has entered into its second phase where representation from the private sector will accelerate the pace of industrialization in the country, Planning Developing and Reform Secretary Zafar Hasan Monday said. He said the scope of CPEC has been expanded with a focus on industrial and agriculture cooperation, socioeconomic development, trade and

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All political parties in Pakistan attach high expectations to joint construction of CPEC

Source: [APP](#) , [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2019-09-12

BEIJING: Governor of Balochistan, Amanullah Khan Yasinzai has said that all political parties in Pakistan were full of expectations for the joint construction of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), a pilot project of Belt and Road Initiative. "In recent years, the important pilot project of the Belt and Road Initiative has been put into practice in the Gwadar Port of Balochistan Provin.....

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India wants China, Pakistan to end CPEC related activities in Azad Kashmir

Source: [Aisha Mahmood](#) , [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2019-09-11

Dismissing a recent Pak-China joint statement, India has called on both of the countries to stop China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) related activities in Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK). Indian External Affairs Ministry spokesman Raveesh Kumar rejected the joint statement and said that India has consistently expressed concerns to both Pakistan and China about CPEC projects in AJK. He claimed AJK

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Chinese firm renews intention to buy K-Electric

Source: [Our Correspondent](#) , [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2019-10-01

KARACHI: China's state-owned Shanghai Electric Power Company Limited on Monday renewed the intention for the fifth time in past three years to acquire a majority stake in K-Electric from the financial crisis-hit Abraaj Group. The submission of new public announcement for the acquisition of shareholding by Shanghai Electric has once again given it a nine-month extension for meeting all re.....

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Pak-China FTA phase-II to be implemented shortly

Source: [Meng Lingjuan](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-07

BEIJING: Pakistan Ambassador to China Naghmana Alamgir Hashmi has said that the free trade agreement (FTA) phase-II between Pakistan and China will be implemented shortly as it is still going through the internal ratification process. In an exclusive interview with China Economic Net in late September, Naghmana said, "We hope that in the next few months, it will become operational. Wit.....

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The master plan

Source: [Dr Noman Ahmed](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-10-11

LAST month, the Balochistan chief minister announced that the Gwadar Master Plan had been approved, marking the completion of an important phase in sequencing the various economic, infrastructural and strategic developments being undertaken by different agencies, including many Chinese institutions. It is also believed that the plan will receive the National Development Council's endorsement.....

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Joint working group's meeting discusses gigantic CPEC projects

Source: [Shakeel anjum](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-10-11

ISLAMABAD: The 7th meeting of China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) Joint Working Group on Transport Infrastructure was held here Thursday in which ongoing and coming projects of gigantic CPEC were discussed in detail, spokesperson of NHA said. The Chinese side was led by Chief Planner HoD China Wang Zhiqing, while other delegates included from Chinese ministries of Transport and Railway and Ex.....

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Chinese port operator to make fresh Rs38 bn investment

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-10-16

ISLAMABAD: The Prime Minister, Imran Khan, has reiterated the government's commitment to facilitate investment and ease of doing business for economic growth and employment generation. He was talking with a delegation of Hong Kong-based port operator Hutchison Port Holdings that called on him in here on Tuesday. The group managing director apprised the prime minister of Hutchison Port Holdi.....

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China offers Pakistan an avenue for jewellery exports

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-18

LAHORE: Being the largest global consumer market for gems and jewellery, China offers a vast opportunity to Pakistan for lifting its exports in this segment, remarked Pakistan-China Joint Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCJCCI), President Zarak Khan. He was speaking at a meeting of the PCJCCI Export Promotion Committee at the chamber on Thursday. The PCJCCI president pointed out that Pakist.....

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China keen to invest in Halal meat industry

Source: [Ikram Junaidi](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-11-04

ISLAMABAD: Leader of a Chinese delegation Zhu Maa has shown interest in investing in Halal meat industry in Pakistan and exporting it to China and Middle Eastern countries. Mr Zhu said this during a meeting with Minister for States & Frontier Regions and Narcotics Control Shehryar Khan Afridi. According to a statement issued by the ministry on Sunday, the delegation from Sichuan Province has.....

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Razak to attend informal WTO meeting in Shanghai

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-11-05

ISLAMABAD: While skipping three mini-ministerial meetings in the last one year, the government has finally sent Commerce Adviser Razak Dawood to attend the informal World Trade Organisation mini-ministerial meeting in Shanghai. The meeting is to kick off on Tuesday along the sidelines of a week-long second China International Import Expo will be attended by the representatives of at least 35 coun.....

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Is CPEC a game-changer for Balochs? Maria Malik

Source: [Maria Malik](#), [Daily Times](#), 2019-11-07

The One Belt One Road (OBOR) is kind of a revival of the centuries-old silk route that connected the world to the centre of the globe (areas surrounding the Mediterranean and the Caspian Sea). This was once a hub of linguistics, culture, commerce, trade and religious activities. Balochistan is Pakistan's largest province in terms of landmass and enjoys an important geostrategic position becau.....

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Pakistan to export more goods to China

Source: [Meng Lingjuan](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-12

BEIJING: Pakistan is looking for a wide range of cooperation with China in geographical areas and products, said Adviser to Prime Minister on Commerce Abdul Razak Dawood. In an interview with the China Economic Net, the

adviser said Chinese government had provided Pakistan with an opportunity to export more than just textile, leather and agricultural products and now the country would export c.....

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Sino-Pak tyre venture to invest \$600m

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-11-14

KARACHI: The Sino-Pak Tire Manufacturing Joint Venture is “an import substitution opportunity” that seeks to leverage Pakistan’s locational advantage as well as growing market for vehicle tyres, said Dr Xu Peng, Managing Director of InvestTarget — the investment bank and private equity fund which is the largest investor in the consortium. The company will aim to produce fi.....

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Pakistan, China agree to work on four key projects for oil, gas cooperation

Source: [Mehtab Haider](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-11-14

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China have agreed to include four key projects for oil and gas cooperation including finalisation of feasibility study on South North Gas Pipeline Project by Power China International Group of Companies and up-gradation of Pakistan Refinery Ltd, Karachi. Top official sources disclosed to The News on Wednesday that under the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) framework.....

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Pakistan ‘investment destination’ for foreigners: Abdul Razak Dawood

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-11-14

ISLAMABAD: Chinese companies have started treating Pakistan as investment destination and two companies from China, Long March and Double Star, are into joint ventures here. Talking to The News, Prime Minister’s Adviser on Commerce Abdul Razak Dawood said Long March has made a joint venture with Servis group in footwear and Double March has partnered with Daewoo Pakistan Express Service and.....

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Pakistan’s 313 products expected tax-free access in China

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-11-13

LAHORE: Pakistan is expected to get tax-free access for its 313 products into Chinese market from next month under an upgraded free trade agreement with China, commerce adviser said on Tuesday. Adviser to Prime Minister on Commerce Razak Dawood said the second phase of free trade agreement (FTA) with China is going to be operational from December 1. “The phase-II is going to facilitate the

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China's Belt and Road bank partner in Pakistan moves into mainland

Source: [Monitoring Report](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#) , 2019-11-13

Habib Bank Limited, the lender involved in about \$6 billion of Pakistan projects under the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), plans to expand in China to tap more business under President Xi Jinping's flagship infrastructure programme, Bloomberg reported on Tuesday. The bank's application for full-fledged commercial operations has been accepted by China's banking regulator, and Pak.....

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Oil, gas industry uplift; China to provide guidelines under CPEC

Source: [Tanveer Ahmed](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2019-11-14

KARACHI: China has agreed on a development plan to provide effective guidelines for the development of oil and gas industry in Pakistan under China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). During 9th meeting of joint cooperation committee of CPEC in Islamabad last week, both sides expressed appreciation to the energy departments of the Pakistan and China for organizing expert panels to complete the.....

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China remains top importer, traded products over \$2 billion

Source: [APP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2019-11-15

ISLAMABAD - With its \$2.277 billion imports to Pakistan, China remained the top importer of the country during the first quarter of financial year (2019-20), followed by UAE and Singapore. During the month of September this year, the total imports from China witnessed declined of 12.96 percent during the period under review as compared to the imports of \$2.617 billion of last financial year, accor.....

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Pak-China joint ventures a good omen: Razak

Source: [APP](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-11-19

LAHORE: Joint ventures between Pakistani and Chinese tyre manufacturing companies are a good omen, said Prime Minister's Adviser for Commerce and Investment Abdul Razak Dawood on Monday. Talking to media after the signing ceremony between Pakistan's Service Tyre Industries Limited (STIL) and China's Chaoyang Long March Tyre Company Limited (CLMTCL), Mr Razak said that Phase-I of.....

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Tyres companies of Pakistan, China join hands

Source: [Press Release](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-19

LAHORE (PR): Pakistan's leading tyre manufacturer, Service Industries Ltd., and Chinese giant, Chaoyang Long March Tyre Co. Ltd., have signed a joint venture agreement to manufacture all steel radial truck & bus tyres in Pakistan. READ MORE:Rahbar Committee decides to hold rallies across country on Friday Chaoyang Long March Tyre Co. Ltd. was established in January 2003, after purc.....

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NA to hold seminar on CPEC next month

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-22

Islamabad - National Assembly will organise a seminar to discuss expansion of CPEC beyond Pakistan and China to Central Asia next month. READ MORE:Trump wants Senate impeachment trial with Bidens, whistleblower among witnesses The National Assembly would hold a seminar on CPEC in December with the focus that how project could be linked with Central Asia, stated by Speaker National Assembly A.....

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CPEC to push Pakistan deeper into debt burden, cautions US

Source: [Anwar Iqbal](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-11-24

WASHINGTON: The United States has warned Pakistan that the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) would push the country deeper into an already stifling debt burden, foster corruption and repatriate jobs and profits to China. In a speech, described as "unusually specific" by the international media, the top US diplomat for South Asia warned on Thursday that the multi-billion-dollar p.....

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'Pakistan's relations with China will never fray': Asad Umar responds to US concerns over CPEC

Source: [news desk](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-11-23

Newly appointed Minister for Planning Asad Umar on Saturday set the record straight on the nature of Pakistan's ties with China, especially within the purview of the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), saying that relations between the two countries "will never fray". His remarks were specifically in response to a recent statement by United States diplomat Alice Wells, who is i.....

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Addressing the USA's Concerns

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-25

After a rather specific press conference from the Assistant Secretary Alice Wells addressing the United States' concern for the China Economic Pakistan Corridor (CPEC), Pakistan has addressed the matter with great vigour, reinforcing not only the sovereignty of the state but also the new foreign policy vision of Pakistan for the next decade. Pakistan has suffered endlessly due to tussle betw.....

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China, US spar over CPEC

Source: [staff Reporter](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-11-23

WASHINGTON/ISLAMABAD: The Trump administration Thursday urged Pakistan to ask tough questions to China on the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), as a top American diplomat launched a blistering attack on the multi-billion dollar project which the official claimed was going to take a toll on Islamabad's economy. "We hope Pakistanis will ask Beijing tough questions on debt, a.....

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Pak-China FTA: Jury's out!

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-12-17

The second-phase of the Pakistan-China FTA is due to be implemented in t minus 14 days and the official word from Prime Minister's Advisor for Commerce and Investment Abdul Razak Dawood is that the FTA would generate an additional \$500 million in export dollars in the first year. The agreement is a full 10 year deal with both countries eliminating tariffs to zero by 2030 across 6000-8000 tar.....

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Chinese entrepreneurs urged to help Pak exporters

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-12-24

LAHORE - Chinese efforts to bring mutual trade to a win-win situation would be a great favour to the economy of Pakistan. Chinese entrepreneurs should help Pakistani exporters to show their full presence in the Chinese markets. READ MORE:OIC wing condemns violence against protesters in India These views were expressed by LCCI Vice President Mian Zahid Jawaid Ahmad while talking to a 24-membe.....

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Regional Integration under B&R +CPEC

1st Pakistani gets 5-year working visa for China

Source: [APP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-02

BEIJING - A Pakistani businessman, along with three other foreigners, has been issued first-class working visa valid for five years by the administration of the city of Yiwu, located in the central part of east China's Zhejiang province. Muhammad Arif and three nationals of Afghanistan, Jordan and Iraq are the first batch which received the first-class work permit by the Exit-Entry Administr.....

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Chinese delegation discusses preferential tariff on 313 Pakistani products

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-02

RAWALPINDI - A seven-member Chinese delegation visited the Rawalpindi Chamber of Commerce and Industry (RCCI) and held an informative and interactive session on preferential tariff by the Chinese government on 313 Pakistani products. READ MORE:PPP submits adjournment motion in Senate over shifting Zardari to jail The head of the delegation Anderson informed the participants that a supply Cha.....

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Chinese company offers free display of Pak commodities

Source: [INP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-01

ISLAMABAD - A delegation of M/s. Zhejiang Eman Supply Chain Management Co. Ltd from Yiwu International Trade City of Zhejiang Province of China visited Islamabad Chamber of Commerce & Industry (ICCI) on Saturday and offered to arrange free display of Pakistani commodities in Pakistan Pavilion in China. The delegation led by Mr Anderson comprised Mr Kim, Mrs Eman, Mrs Judy and others. READ.....

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CPEC 2.0: THE PROMISE AND THE PERIL

Source: [Sherry Rehman](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-09-01

As Pakistan navigates changing power equations in the world, and the crisis in Kashmir, the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) stands out as the one possible silver lining for Pakistan. However, while CPEC is still one of the largest bilateral investment projects underway anywhere in the world, today its momentum in Pakistan is being regularly questioned. The scale of the promise is so large

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India wants to sabotage CPEC: Dr Alvi

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-09-03

ISLAMABAD: President Dr Arif Alvi said on Sunday India wanted to damage the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) but all its designs would be thwarted. He said this while inaugurating the opening session of Pakistan Navy wargame Shamsheer-e-Bahr VII and logistic exercise Tarseel-e-Bahr II in Karachi. He said that Pakistan is facing a multitude of internal and external challenges, which necessi.....

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Pakistan seeks Chinese investment in solar power

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-03

LAHORE: China has always provided support and assistance for Pakistan's economic and social development, said Federal Minister for Science and Technology Chaudhry Fawad Hussain. Speaking at the inaugural ceremony of the seventh Pak-China Business Forum and Industrial Expo in Lahore on Monday, the minister highlighted that the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) had transformed ties.....

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CPEC: what's stopping Pakistan Railways?

Source: [Hasaan Khawar](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-03

The world's second-longest train route connects Yiwu, a trading centre near Shanghai, to London. The 12,000-plus kilometer-long railway track which opened in 2017 has made possible hauling millions of tons of goods within 18 days, which once took 30 to 45 days of sailing to reach the shores of Great Britain. The China-Europe rail now connects 108 cities across 16 countries, ushering in new o.....

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Yuan's fall may increase Pakistan's trade deficit with China

Source: [Hussain H Zaidi](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-03

ISLAMABAD: The recent currency devaluation by China, which has brought the yuan-dollar parity to the lowest level since 2008, as part of its efforts to offset the impact of its tariff war with the United States, doesn't augur well for Pakistan. The yuan's sharp devaluation means that, all else equal, Pakistan's exports to China will become less competitive, while imports fr.....

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Pak-China Business Forum-Industrial Expo to end today

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-04

LAHORE - 7th Pak-China Business Forum-Industrial Expo, being held at the Lahore Expo Centre, is attracting a large number of businessmen, industrialists and general public as the footfall during first two days was recorded at 50,000 people. READ MORE:No one can remove me until PM Imran, cabinet have confidence in me: CM Punjab Buzdar Governor Punjab Chaudhry Muhammad Sarwar is expected to ad.....

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MPs committee rejects setting up CPEC Authority

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-09-06

ISLAMABAD: The Parliamentary Committee on China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) has unanimously rejected establishment of CPEC Authority, giving a big jolt to the government plan to bring the whole CPEC related work under one umbrella. The Parliamentary Panel on CPEC met under chairmanship of PTI MNA Sher Ali Arbab here at the Parliament House on Thursday. The members expressed their con.....

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Kashmir-CPEC nexus

Source: [Yasir Habib Khan](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-13

In a new geostrategic scenario, situation has tied up Kashmir and CPEC with each other forever. Their correlation has opened up a new window to resolve Kashmir dispute believed to be unfinished agenda of past or leftover from history. READ MORE:Sheikh Rasheed warns New Delhi not to mistake Pakistani economy for defense As Kashmir and CPEC are going to be heavily interdependent on each other in.....

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CPEC shelved?

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-09-19

KARACHI: The \$50 billion worth China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) projects launched amidst lot of fan fare by the PML-N government and they soon became so expedient that practically all political parties lined to take its credit. Some analysts laid credit of the CPEC projects with the former dictator Gen (retd) Pervaiz Musharraf and the military leadership. It became so sacrosanct afterwards.....

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Gwadar Port and Gwadar Free Zone FBR accused of backing out from agreed incentives

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-16

ISLAMABAD: Ministry of Maritime Affairs (MoMA) has accused Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) of backing out from agreed incentives for Gwadar Port and Gwadar Free Zone, two key projects of China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), sources close to Minister for Maritime Affairs revealed. On September 5, 2019 Cabinet Division forwarded a letter of September 2, 2019 issued by the Federal Board of Re.....

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Is India planning to change game for Pakistan and China in Kashmir?

Source: [Hassnain Javed](#), [Daily Times](#), 2019-09-18

Since British India's partition in 1947, Kashmir, a mountainous valley bordering Pakistan and India, has been a center of the dispute between the two nuclear-armed nations. The British decided to split their former colony into two nations at the moment of the partition: Pakistan, with a Muslim majority, and India, with a Hindu majority. Both countries try to steal and occupy parts of Kashmir.....

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Proposed CPEC Authority Cabinet sets up ministerial body to review contours

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-22

ISLAMABAD: The Cabinet has constituted six-member ministerial committee to review the structure and clauses of conflict of interest, immunities and regulation making powers of long-awaited proposed China Pakistan Economic Corridor Authority (CPEC Authority), well-informed sources told Business Recorder. The proposed CPEC Authority is being established at a time when there are speculations tha.....

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Long live CPEC

Source: [Sabbahuddin](#), [Daily Times](#), 2019-09-24

We started with the cliché "game changer" for CPEC. Within few years we came to conclude that CPEC was in fact a Trojan horse. Then our analysts gradually started to tell nation that CPEC was a failure and has already drowned between the gulf of mistrust between China and Pakistan. Then they added that this gulf was probably widening every single day due to terrorism and diploma.....

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China expresses satisfaction over pace of CEPC development: Khusro

Source: [APP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-18

ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Reform, Makhdom Khusro Bakhtiar has said China had expressed its satisfaction over the speed of development work on China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). Talking to private news channel on Wednesday, he said Railway line project 'ML-1' was the most important project for development of the country. To a question, he said the.....

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CPEC 2nd phase to help reviving industrialization in Pakistan

Source: [APP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-23

ISLAMABAD: China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) has entered into its second phase where representation from the private sector will accelerate the pace of industrialization in the country, Planning Developing and Reform Secretary Zafar Hasan Monday said. He said the scope of CPEC has been expanded with a focus on industrial and agriculture cooperation, socioeconomic development, trade and

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PM reiterates resolve to complete ongoing projects under CPEC

Source: [APP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-17

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Imran Khan on Wednesday reiterated the resolve to complete ongoing projects under the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) which had contributed substantially to Pakistan's development and prosperity. Talking to Chinese Ambassador Yao Jing, who called on him here at the PM Office, he also reaffirmed Pakistan's commitment to further strengthen the All-Weath.....

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Financial issues hurdle in land acquisition process for CPEC's Western Route

Source: [Wasim Iqbal](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-13

ISLAMABAD: The land acquisition process for Western Route under China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) is slow due to financial problems, a parliamentary panel on Friday was briefed. A meeting of the functional committee on problems of Less Developed Areas held here at Parliament under chair of Usman Khan Kakar. While being briefed on Land Acquisition for CPEC (Western Route) Yarak – DI K.....

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All political parties in Pakistan attach high expectations to joint construction of CPEC

Source: [APP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-12

BEIJING: Governor of Balochistan, Amanullah Khan Yasinzai has said that all political parties in Pakistan were full of expectations for the joint construction of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), a pilot project of Belt and Road

Initiative. "In recent years, the important pilot project of the Belt and Road Initiative has been put into practice in the Gwadar Port of Balochistan Provin.....

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India wants China, Pakistan to end CPEC related activities in Azad Kashmir

Source: [Aisha Mahmood](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-11

Dismissing a recent Pak-China joint statement, India has called on both of the countries to stop China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) related activities in Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK). Indian External Affairs Ministry spokesman Raveesh Kumar rejected the joint statement and said that India has consistently expressed concerns to both Pakistan and China about CPEC projects in AJK. He claimed AJK

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Benefits of CPEC

Source: [Abdullaeva Rokhila](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-25

China and Pakistan had formed partnership to complete China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) under "One-Road, One-Belt" vision. The project has great importance for both the countries. CPEC has potential to transform the socio-economic landscape of Pakistan. According to the estimates, the 'One-Belt One-Road' would establish close land and maritime connections between/among.....

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On CPEC discourse

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-25

Discourse on the once-shiny CPEC initiative has arguably become dismal in Pakistan the last one year. As with rest of the economic discourse among the public, the current somber mood on CPEC is most likely an overreaction. Just as it was a cheerful exaggeration when CPEC was being championed some years ago as the magic tonic for all that ails this country. It's not all gloom and doom, t.....

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Govt urged to set up CPEC body at Bol

Source: [Zaheer Abbasi](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-25

ISLAMABAD: A parliamentary committee on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) has urged the government to set up a body at Board of Investment (BoI) comprising all stakeholders for effective coordination to expedite the work for completion and operationalization on Special Economic Zones (SEZs). Chairman of the committee Sher Ali Arabab told this correspondent after the in-camera meeting of.....

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Laws for special economic zones under CPEC being revisited

Source: [Jamal Shahid](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-09-26

ISLAMABAD: The government is revisiting laws pertaining to special economic zones (SEZs) under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) to fix deficiencies, Chairman Board of Investment Zubair Gilani told a parliamentary body meeting on Wednesday. "There was no harmony between legislation and ground challenges at the time China-Pakistan Economic Corridor was conceived. The SEZ Act is bei.....

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Senate committee discusses setting up CPEC authority

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-25

ISLAMABAD: The Senate Special Committee on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) Wednesday directed the Ministry of Planning (MoP) to finalise all the requirements for the establishment of CPEC authority at the earliest. Board of Investment Chairman Zubair Gillani confirmed introducing a policy on special economic zones (SEZs) under CPEC by the end of the current year whereas Planning Secr.....

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Pakistan-China ties

Source: [Amna Ejaz Rafi](#), [Daily Times](#), 2019-09-26

Pakistan and China bilateral relations established in May 1951, have progressed over the years. During the 1970s, Pakistan played the role of a facilitator in normalizing China-US relations. The US Secretary of State Henry Kissinger meeting with President Zhou Enlai in Beijing was facilitated by Pakistan, which later led to the visit of President Nixon to China. These developments showed the mushr.....

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China denies slowdown in CPEC projects

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-30

ISLAMABAD: China has said that there was no slowing down of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) as it was laid on a solid foundation and the multi-billion dollar project had entered a new phase. "CPEC is running according to our satisfaction and there is no slowdown in it," Chinese Ambassador to Pakistan Yao Jing said during his keynote address at a seminar titled ".....

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The high cost of inexperience

Source: [Afshan Subohi](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-09-30

The development of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) over the last one year could have partially cover the growth loss and provided some element of relief in the tragic story of the economy made insufferable by galloping inflation, falling investment and rising joblessness under the current government. Privately, officers of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) establishment in the centre and

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Reviving CPEC

Source: [Editorial, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-04

The Prime Minister (PM) Imran Khan will be in China on 7-8 October. The main agenda of Khan's visit will be discussing China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) with the Chinese authorities. Since Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaaf (PTI) has come to power, all the enthusiasm surrounding CPEC has died down. Things were going at a fast pace until the previous government of Pakistan Muslim League Nawaz (P.....

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New projects offered to China as part of CPEC: minister

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn](#), 2019-10-07

ISLAMABAD: Amid a perceived slowdown on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), the federal Minister for Planning, Development and Reforms Makhdum Khusro Bakhtyar on Sunday said Pakistan would engage China at the highest level for talks on several big projects in the fields of hydropower, oil refinery and steel mills. Speaking at a press conference a day before Prime Minister Imran Khan's

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Pak-China FTA phase-II to be implemented shortly

Source: [Meng Lingjuan, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-07

BEIJING: Pakistan Ambassador to China Naghmana Alamgir Hashmi has said that the free trade agreement (FTA) phase-II between Pakistan and China will be implemented shortly as it is still going through the internal ratification process. In an exclusive interview with China Economic Net in late September, Naghmana said, "We hope that in the next few months, it will become operational. Wit.....

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CPEC Authority established through ordinance

Source: [Mariana Baabar / Agencies, The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-10-08

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Imran Khan arrived in Beijing late at night on Monday and will embark on two-day official visit of China on Tuesday. Meanwhile, President Arif Alvi promulgated an ordinance to provide for establishment of the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) Authority. The ordinance promulgated by the president on October 5 in exercise of his powers under clause (1) of Article 89

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CPEC projects in Azad Kashmir turn murky

Source: [Munawar Hasan, The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-10-08

LAHORE: Protracted delay in the execution of various projects sanctioned for Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJ&K) under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) could result in their escalated costs, and hinder the state's economic development and regional connectivity, people familiar with the matter said on Monday. More:CPEC Authority established through ordinance Sources said four mega

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Sindh gov't won't allow construction of CPEC's ML-1 project at the cost of KCR, says Murad

Source: [Azeem Samar](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-10-09

Sindh's chief minister has made it clear that his government will not allow the construction of the Main Line-1 (ML-1) project of the Pakistan Railways as part of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) at the cost of the Karachi Circular Railway (KCR) or at the cost of the people of the city. CM Syed Murad Ali Shah said this on Monday while speaking in the provincial assembly, which ad.....

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Visit To China

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-08

Imran Khan's upcoming visit to China is a very important meeting for the Pakistan Tehreek-i-Insaaf (PTI) government in light of recent events. While meeting on the home ground of one of our closest allies, it is important that PM Khan takes the personal relationship with the President of China and their Foreign Office further. A personal connection with the Chinese state will greatly assist

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China says paying 'close' attention to IOK situation

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-10

At the invitation of Li Keqiang, Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China, Imran Khan, Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, visited China from October 8-9, 2019. During the visit, Prime Minister Imran Khan called on Xi Jinping, President of China, held a meeting with Premier Li Keqiang and met with Li Zhanshu, Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Nati.....

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Transport infrastructure under CPEC

Source: [Tahir Amin](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-12

Islamabad, Beijing ink agreed minutes of 7th JWG meeting TAHIR AMIN ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China Friday inked the agreed minutes of the 7th meeting of Joint Working Group on Transport Infrastructure of the two countries under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) framework. Both sides expressed their commitment and resolve for removing the impediments for timely completion of.....

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CPEC and the wages of mismanagement

Source: [Durdana Najam, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-16

During Prime Minister Imran Khan's visit to China, on October 8, 2019, no particular mention was made on the halting pace of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). Though Khan expressed his desire to emulate the Chinese model of beating corruption, through either hanging or incarcerating the fraudulent, he could not openly confess about the CPEC becoming victim of corruption itself. Co.....

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Pakistan seeks financing for CPEC's western route

Source: [Shahbaz Rana, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-23

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has once again sought Chinese financing for the western route of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), requesting Beijing to sign a bilateral framework agreement for implementing the scheme that largely remains on papers due to funding constraints. The request was made during a meeting of the CPEC Joint Working Group on Transport Infrastructure last week, according.....

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Work on 13 energy projects under CPEC in full swing

Source: [INP, The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-10-25

ISLAMABAD: Work on 13 energy projects having capacity to generate 8,995 MW electricity under China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), throughout the country is in full swing. According to a report published by Gwadar Pro media network, with the completion of these projects, Pakistan will be no more in deficit meeting its electricity needs. Under CPEC, Pakistan's first joint venture

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Petroleum Division seeks Rs6.6b for LNG supply

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-25

ISLAMABAD: The Petroleum Division has asked the government to allocate Rs6.6 billion through the Public Sector Development Programme (PSDP) for laying a pipeline network for liquefied natural gas (LNG) supply to the Special Economic Zones (SEZs) planned under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). Pakistan is going to enter the industrialisation phase of CPEC and the government wants C.....

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So there was no Western route

Source: [Dr Pervez Tahir, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-25

Maulana Fazlur Rehman, along with other PML-N allies, had attended the inauguration of what was billed as the "Western route" of the CPEC corridor in December 2015. This was a follow-up of the multi-party conference held

earlier to allay the fears that this route was being neglected. As early as May 29 of 2015, this column noted that “the allocation pattern of federal development.....

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Work on Rashakai SEZ to start next month

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2019-10-28

ISLAMABAD: Work on the Rashakai Special Economic Zone –one of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) projects – will be started next month. A sum of \$130 million will be invested in the economic zone. The concession agreement for the project has been finalised and will be provided to the company concerned. K-P Chief Minister Mahmood Khan has ordered that the agreement be pr.....

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JCC of CPEC to meet on November 6: Pakistan to request China for financing ML-1 project under soft conditions

Source: [Mehtab Haider](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#) , 2019-10-30

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has decided to make fresh request to China for getting lucrative package of over \$8.5 billion for construction of much-awaited railways Mainline (ML-1) from Peshawar to Karachi. So Islamabad could only move ahead for construction of ML-1 with lenient conditions despite having remained under the IMF arrangement. Without soft conditions for financing from China, the ML-1 fina.....

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PSDP 2019-20; Govt releases Rs37bn for CPEC projects

Source: [Naveed Butt](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2019-11-03

ISLAMABAD: The federal government has released about Rs 37 billion (38.5 percent) for China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) development projects under Public Sector Development Program (PSDP) 2019-20 against the total budgeted allocation of Rs 95.73 billion, it is learnt. Total cost of 31 CPEC development projects is Rs 1.62 trillion while Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) government has alloc.....

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CPEC: Road map for economic cooperation

Source: [Hasaan Khawar](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2019-11-05

The 9th meeting of the Joint Cooperation Committee (JCC) is expected to rekindle progress on the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). The government is preparing a laundry list of projects that will be tabled for financing in the upcoming meeting. These include ML-1 upgradation, DI Khan-Zhob road, Karachi Circular Railway and many more. Although there has been some mention of industrial coopera.....

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New energy projects under CPEC: Chinese currency to be used instead of dollar

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-11-05

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has agreed with China for allowing utilisation of Chinese currency RMB for execution of all new projects of energy sector under multi-billion dollars China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). Instead of US dollar, use of RMB will be a major development if this agreement turns into reality. Now a summary will be moved before the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet.....

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Pakistan, China agree to expand CPEC scope

Source: [Shahbaz Rana](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-06

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China on Tuesday agreed to set a new direction of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) for future cooperation in high economic impact areas by largely shifting away from infrastructure projects, except the \$9 billion Mainline-1 projects. Islamabad reinforced its decision to fence the Pak-Iran border after the Pak-Afghan border aimed at securing the CPEC from external threats.....

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Industrial, Economic Zones to be established in GB under CPEC

Source: [APP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-05

ISLAMABAD - Industrial and Economic Zones would be established in Gilgit-Baltistan under the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) project to uplift the area and bring it at par with developed parts of the country. Due to tax exemptions, the zones would be more beneficial for the whole country especially locals, a senior official of Ministry of Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit Baltistan told APP.

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Fazl accuses govt of 'damaging' Chinese investment

Source: [ZULFIQAR AHMAD & WASIM IQBAL](#), [FAZAL SHER](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-06

ISLAMABAD: Jamiat Uleam-e-Islam-Fazl (JUI-F) Emir Maulana Fazlur Rehman on Tuesday accused Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) government of "damaging" billions of dollars Chinese investment made through China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). Addressing his party's charged crowd here at H-9, as his anti-government sit-in entered sixth day, Fazl said that ruling PTI not only spoils.....

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Pakistan seeks \$9bn Chinese loan for ML-1, commits to border fencing

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn](#), 2019-11-06

ISLAMABAD: Committing complete fencing of Afghan and Iran borders on priority to ensure peace and security, Pakistan on Tuesday asked China to finance \$9 billion Main Railway Line (ML-1) and other road and infrastructure projects to expand the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). At the conclusion of ninth Joint Cooperation Committee (JCC) meeting of CPEC here, the two sides also approved Gwa.....

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Is CPEC a game-changer for Balochs? Maria Malik

Source: [Maria Malik, Daily Times](#), 2019-11-07

The One Belt One Road (OBOR) is kind of a revival of the centuries-old silk route that connected the world to the centre of the globe (areas surrounding the Mediterranean and the Caspian Sea). This was once a hub of linguistics, culture, commerce, trade and religious activities. Balochistan is Pakistan's largest province in terms of landmass and enjoys an important geostrategic position because.....

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Pak, China satisfied over progress on \$9.2bn ML-1 project under CPEC

Source: [Tahir Amin, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-07

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China have expressed satisfaction over the progress on the \$9.2 billion Main Line (ML-1) project under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), which would be initiated next year. A delegation led by Director General of China's National Railway Administration (NRA) Yan Hexiang called on the Federal Minister for Railways Sheikh Rashid Ahmed here on Wednesday.

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CPEC: over to Phase II?

Source: [Sajjad Azhar Pirzadah, Daily Times](#), 2019-11-12

A good four years have passed since the launch of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), whose investment portfolio is estimated to be around USD 60 billion. The latest reports are that most of the 22 projects, worth USD 19 billion, have been completed or are reaching completion. These projects were envisaged under Phase I of the project, aimed primarily at alleviating the shortage of power

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Pakistan, China agree to work on four key projects for oil, gas cooperation

Source: [Mehtab Haider, The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-11-14

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China have agreed to include four key projects for oil and gas cooperation including finalisation of feasibility study on South North Gas Pipeline Project by Power China International Group of Companies and up-gradation of Pakistan Refinery Ltd, Karachi. Top official sources disclosed to The News on Wednesday that under the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) framework.....

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China's Belt and Road bank partner in Pakistan moves into mainland

Source: [Monitoring Report](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#) , 2019-11-13

Habib Bank Limited, the lender involved in about \$6 billion of Pakistan projects under the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), plans to expand in China to tap more business under President Xi Jinping's flagship infrastructure programme, Bloomberg reported on Tuesday. The bank's application for full-fledged commercial operations has been accepted by China's banking regulator, and Pak.....

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Oil, gas industry uplift; China to provide guidelines under CPEC

Source: [Tanveer Ahmed](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2019-11-14

KARACHI: China has agreed on a development plan to provide effective guidelines for the development of oil and gas industry in Pakistan under China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). During 9th meeting of joint cooperation committee of CPEC in Islamabad last week, both sides expressed appreciation to the energy departments of the Pakistan and China for organizing expert panels to complete the.....

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Approaching optimal SEZs - I

Source: [Dr Omer Javed](#) , [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2019-11-15

The government intends to pick up the pace on Special Economic Zones (SEZs). This indeed is important for infusing energy into the lacklustre performance of both large-scale manufacturing and the stubbornly low and undiversified exports. Moreover, this will be important to establish a fully functional SEZ to properly engage investments under the CPEC (China Pakistan Economic Corridor)-related proj.....

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Capitalism or communism?

Source: [Muhammad Waqar Aslam](#), [Daily Times](#) , 2019-11-19

The twenty-first century dawned with the conjecture of a new world order. Notwithstanding the thought provoking lust for power of the past century, CPEC and Chinese economic dominance are hot topics. The base of the new global trends is still vested in communist-capitalist realms. The blend of the two is deemed to be the rule of law. America's lust for holding the world in one hand and pushin.....

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CPEC projects and lack of adequate labour laws

Source: [Ali Rehmat](#), [The High Asia Herald](#), 2019-11-20

China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) has strengthened decades-old Sino-Pak economic relations. The \$60 billion CPEC project is part of the \$5 trillion One Belt One Road (OBOR) that China considers as 'project of the century'. OBOR links 68 countries and facilitates trade and connectivity in Asia, Europe, and Africa through mega projects of roads, bridges, energy, ports, railways and.....

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Consortium of CPEC universities concludes

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-21

ISLAMABAD: "Pakistani and Chinese universities collaborating under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) Consortium of Universities will generate ideas leading to the development of both the countries, as universities are the nurseries of ideas." This was stated by Executive Director Higher Education Commission (HEC) Dr Fateh Marri while addressing the closing ceremony of th.....

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2nd phase of CPEC

Source: [Ali Hussain](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-21

ISLAMABAD: Foreign Minister Shah Mehmood Qureshi Wednesday said that completion of ongoing projects of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) is the top most priority of the government. Speaking at the international conference titled 'Belt and Road Initiative in the Changing Regional Dynamics,' organised by China-Pakistan Study Center (CPSC) at the Institute of Strategic Studies

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Execution of CPEC projects: China asks Pakistan to keep stability in taxes, power tariff

Source: [Mehtab Haider](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-11-18

ISLAMABAD: China has asked Pakistan to maintain stability in its taxes and power tariff while establishing a better regulated and more efficient power market for execution of CPEC projects. The Chinese side through its official communication also emphasised upon the need that "both sides shall enhance communication and coordination, analyse the impact of changing policies on CPEC pro.....

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NA to hold seminar on CPEC next month

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-22

Islamabad - National Assembly will organise a seminar to discuss expansion of CPEC beyond Pakistan and China to Central Asia next month. READ MORE: Trump wants Senate impeachment trial with Bidens, whistleblower among

witnesses The National Assembly would hold a seminar on CPEC in December with the focus that how project could be linked with Central Asia, stated by Speaker National Assembly A.....

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CPEC energy projects create 10,000 jobs

Source: [Tanveer Ahmed](#), [Business Recorder](#), [Islamabad](#), 2019-11-22

KARACHI: China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)'s energy projects have contributed \$250 million in taxes and provided 10,000 jobs by adding 14.5 percent of the total electricity output in NTDC system so far. According to the official documents, CPEC energy cooperation has increased power supply in Pakistan. Power generation of CPEC projects reached 17.728 billion kWh, 14.5 percent of t.....

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CPEC to push Pakistan deeper into debt burden, cautions US

Source: [Anwar Iqbal](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-11-24

WASHINGTON: The United States has warned Pakistan that the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) would push the country deeper into an already stifling debt burden, foster corruption and repatriate jobs and profits to China. In a speech, described as "unusually specific" by the international media, the top US diplomat for South Asia warned on Thursday that the multi-billion-dollar p.....

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US stance on CPEC will have no impact on project: Qureshi

Source: [Javed Hussain](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-11-24

Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi on Sunday reiterated that America's stance on the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) would have "no impact" on the project. Speaking to reporters in Multan, Qureshi said that Pakistan does not agree with the views expressed by US diplomat Alice Wells. He was referring to a recent statement by Wells, who is in charge of South Asia affairs at.....

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'Pakistan's relations with China will never fray': Asad Umar responds to US concerns over CPEC

Source: [news desk](#), [Dawn](#), 2019-11-23

Newly appointed Minister for Planning Asad Umar on Saturday set the record straight on the nature of Pakistan's ties with China, especially within the purview of the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), saying that relations between the two countries "will never fray". His remarks were specifically in response to a recent statement by United States diplomat Alice Wells, who is i.....

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CPEC and superpowers

Source: [news desk](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-11-24

CPEC and superpowers The China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) consisting of road, rail and shipping networks which provide a route from China to the Gwadar Port has been strongly criticized by the US. Alice Wells, President Trump's aide on South Asia has said that the corridor will inflict long-term economic damage on Pakistan, especially when the time comes to pay bac.....

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Govt challenges US assessment of CPEC

Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-24

ISLAMABAD: Commenting on the speech on the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) by a US diplomat, spokesman for the Ministry of Planning and Development has stated that the views are based on a wrong analysis and incorrect assessment of facts. A major share of CPEC investment is allocated to energy projects. It is worthwhile to note that all the energy projects are in IPP mode and thus bea.....

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Addressing the USA's Concerns

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-25

After a rather specific press conference from the Assistant Secretary Alice Wells addressing the United States' concern for the China Economic Pakistan Corridor (CPEC), Pakistan has addressed the matter with great vigour, reinforcing not only the sovereignty of the state but also the new foreign policy vision of Pakistan for the next decade. Pakistan has suffered endlessly due to tussle betw.....

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China, US spar over CPEC

Source: [staff Reporter](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-11-23

WASHINGTON/ISLAMABAD: The Trump administration Thursday urged Pakistan to ask tough questions to China on the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), as a top American diplomat launched a blistering attack on the multi-billion dollar project which the official claimed was going to take a toll on Islamabad's economy. "We hope Pakistanis will ask Beijing tough questions on debt, a.....

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Government dismisses US concerns regarding CPEC

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-25

Foreign Minister Shah Mehmood Qureshi said on Sunday that the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) is a project that was necessary for Pakistan's development, and is likely to further expand. READ MORE: Bolivia's interim president OKs bill for new elections While speaking to media in Multan, FM Qureshi called CPEC a "game-changer", and told media that there were no restri....

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USA's odd attacks on CPEC

Source: [Senator Rehman Malik](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-26

It is evident that USA and India have been propagating against China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) from the day one hence, this latest negative statement on CPEC should not be a surprise rather we should expect some more adverse moves from them on this economic corridor. India propagates that this project is against the Indian interests that is why it has been sending numerous operators of its.....

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War of words on CPEC

Source: [Rashed Rahman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-26

US Assistant Secretary of State for South Asia Alice Wells virtually put the cat amongst the pigeons in a speech at the Wilson Center in Washington on November 22, 2019 in which she cautioned and warned Pakistan about the pitfalls of the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) project. The thrust of her remarks about CPEC centred on the risk of Pakistan being pushed deeper into an already stifling.....

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Scandalising CPEC

Source: [Malik Muhammad Ashraf](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-11-26

The opposition to the BRI and its flagship initiative of CPEC stems from the contain-China policy of the US meant to thwart the burgeoning Chinese influence in the region and beyond. In fact, the US and its strategic partner India are vying to sabotage CPEC. The assessment about the impact of CPEC on Pakistan that Alice Well propounded in her address to the Woodrow Wilson forum for scholar.....

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New Cold War?

Source: [Sindh](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-27

Both Pakistan and China have given a fitting reply to the uncalled for and ill-informed US criticism of and objection to the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). But more than the CPEC, the US appears to be too wary of China's One Belt One Road (OBOR) project which proposes to bring world markets exceedingly closer to each other, in physical terms, thus curtailing drastically the commerc.....

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5th CPEC Media Forum

Source: [Yasir Habib Khan](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-12-27

2019 has marked the successful holding of 5th CPEC Media Forum, a most prestigious and responsible platform to sensitize world about transparency, benefits and inclusiveness of China Economic Corridor (CPEC). READ MORE: Sheikh Rashid says 'Mafia' wants to destabilize PM Khan's govt It has dawned new era of bringing closer China, the US, Pakistan and all global players on CPEC, an

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CPEC: Sovereignty first

Source: [Zeeshan Haider](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-12-02

The mistrust between Pakistan and the United States seems to have ebbed significantly in the wake of their close cooperation for the settlement of Afghan conflict. Prime Minister Imran Khan has developed a personal rapport with the President Donald Trump, which was demonstrated by the US head of the state in his repeated offer for mediation between Pakistan and India over Kashmir dispute that has.....

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CPEC: Perception vs reality

Source: [Farhat Ali](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-11-30

The trade war between China and the US is no longer limited to the two leading global economies, it has affected economies of Europe and is now influencing those of Asia. The other day, US Assistant Secretary of State Alice Wells, speaking at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, said Pakistan was faced with long-term economic damage from China's Belt and Road Initiative. In

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'Govt to hire consultant for railways ML-1 project design'

Source: [Mehtab Haider](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-12-11

ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for Planning Asad Umar said the government decided to hire international consultant for scrutinizing detailed engineering design of multibillion dollars Mainline (ML-1) project under China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). Before granting final approval of the project, the government wants to accomplish its spadework free of any flaws, he said. The international consu.....

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8th December as Gwadar day

Source: [Reema Shaukat](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-12-08

One way or another 46 billion dollars mega project of CPEC has remained in limelight since its inception. Because of One Belt, One Road initiative where another deep seaport will be built in Pakistan, Gwadar now holds strategic and prime importance not only for Pakistan but Chinese vision of greater connectivity among regions. Gwadar features heavily in CPEC and is also envisaged to be the link be.....

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More Power to CPEC

Source: [Sabah Aslam](#), [Daily Times](#), 2019-12-15

It has been almost five years since the mega structural and economic project was practically incepted. Throughout its progression, it was criticised multiple times by Western media and cynics of Pakistan. This is enough proof of the fact that theCPECis a worthy project for Pakistan. In this regard, Washington remained consistent in spewing detest against China-Pakistan Economic corridor. Whether i.....

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SEZs to be built in next phase of CPEC: Chinese envoy

Source: [Naveed Butt & Zulfiqar Ahmad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-12-19

ISLAMABAD: Ambassador of China to Pakistan Yao Jing on Wednesday said that special economic zones(SEZs) would be built in Pakistan in the next phase of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). Speaking at a seminar on regional dialogue on 'Role of Parliaments in Cementing Regional Integration,' he said China would now invest in building vocational and training centers as well as r.....

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Pakistan formally invites China

Source: [Tahir Amin](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-12-18

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan on Tuesday formally invited China to invest in the country's digital businesses including manufacturing of mobile phone handsets and other digital equipments for promotion and growth of the sector. Chinese

Ambassador to Pakistan Yao Jing called on Federal Minister for Information Technology and Telecommunication Dr Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui on Tuesday. Talking exc.....

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Nothing to hide on CPEC, says planning minister

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-12-18

ISLAMABAD: Minister for Planning Asad Umar has said there is nothing to hide in multi-billion dollar China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) project which is a manifestation of the friendship between Pakistan and China but is against no one. "We have nothing to hide in connection with CPEC; however, we can't do anything if someone refuses to believe this," Umar said on Wedn.....

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Spotlight: Pakistan's 1st metro train under CPEC to revitalize economy, transportation system: experts

Source: [Raheela Nazir](#), [Arab News](#), 2019-12-20

ISLAMABAD, Dec. 20 (Xinhua) -- Pakistani experts are of the view that the country's first-ever mass rapid urban transit train under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) will help Pakistan to revitalize its economy and transportation system while mitigating environmental woes. Pakistan inaugurated the test run of the Orange Line Metro Train (OLMT) last week in Lahore, the capital city o.....

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Kashmir and The Powers That Be

Source: [Imran Malik](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-12-31

China's BRI-CPEC initiatives are well on their way to fruition. The CPEC that passes through Gilgit-Baltistan (GB), a region with Pakistan, is the flagship project of the BRI. Its success will signify a win-win model for all those who sign up to the BRI. CPEC's failure, on the other hand, will dent China's regional and global economic stature, credibility and stunt its ostensible.....

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Regional Integration Under China's B & R

A unipolar system

Source: [Ismael Hossein-Zadeh](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-09-23

The emergence in recent years of the economic and military powers in countries like China, Russia and India has given rise to theories and hopes of a multipolar world that could temper the heavy-handed unilateral/unipolar policies of the United States on a global level. Such hopes are further buoyed by the fact that these rising poles of economic development have instituted a number of regional i.....

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Research, Development & Capacity Building

Learning from China

Source: [Atta-Ur-Rahman](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-10-30

On October 24, 2019, a very special function was held at the Hunan University of Chinese Medicine in the city of Changsha, in the Hunan province of China. A beautiful and large six-storey research institute was named after me on the occasion of a major international conference. It is said to be probably the first building named after a Muslim scientist in China, which was a truly humbling

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Chinese education diplomacy

Source: [Farid Ullah Khan](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2019-12-22

A record number of 4.8 million international students were enrolled in different Chinese institutions in 2019. Previously in 2000, only 0.5 million international students opted to study in China. The inbound and outbound academia-related migration is not limited to students only, but also the teaching staff, researchers and laboratory technicians have multiplied manifolds to create strides in glob.....

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Technology & Innovation

China's tech resilience

Source: [Beelam Ramzan](#), [The News, International, Islamabad/Rawalpindi](#), 2019-09-12

The US gave Huawei, the privately-owned Chinese telecom giant, a 90-day reprieve on the ban against buying US technology; simultaneously allowing US companies to export to Huawei without restrictions. This truce is temporary yet encouraging in the tumultuous spate of the US-China trade war that shows no sign of abating with tit-for-tat tariffs imposed on each others' products. The relaxatio.....

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Technology , Trade & Innovation

Beijing: where innovation drives development - (PART-II)

Source: [Yasir Habib Khan](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-02

The conversion of an old abandoned factory site into a vibrant area for the Olympic Games is proof enough that China never lets anything go to waste. Making a treasure out of waste is a forte of Chinese leadership and that is why China, even in the games, has taken centre stage.

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Beijing: where innovation drives development

Source: [Yasir Habib Khan, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2019-09-01

Giving a glaring glimpse to the world to comprehend how China is excelling meticulously by merging past legacy into future through innovation, Beijing launched the ceremony of the “China Now: Silk Road Rediscovery Tour of Beijing Upon the 70th anniversary of the People’s Republic of China (PRC) with great pomp and show. READ MORE:PPP submits adjournment motion in Senate over shift.....

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How China views itself and the world

Source: [Shahid Javed Burki, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2019-10-07

There are a number of developments in China that Islamabad needs to watch not only because Pakistan is one of the many countries China borders. It is important for those holding the reins of power in Islamabad to understand where China is today, where it has come from and where it could be going. All that was the subject of discussion both inside and outside China as it celebrated the 70th birthday.....

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