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HIGHLIGHTS

- The planning and finance ministries had not shared any document related to the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) with the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

- China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) can potentially stimulate economic growth and may provide cushion to achieve the set growth target of 4% through reviving the industrialization in Pakistan by synergizing through Special Economic Zones (SEZs) as well as aligned activities in various CPEC development projects.

- In the second phase under the new government, the focus of the CPEC has moved towards industrial development, agriculture and socio-economic development. The perception of a slowdown, therefore, is wrong as currently provincial governments are working towards identifying and proposing projects for special economic zones.

- Proposed panels for Sustainable Development Conference (SDC), 3-5 December 2019:
Economic Growth & Governance

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Emerging China and soft power
Source: Asad Hussain, Daily Times, 2019-07-03
The entire world is bewildered and gravelled over growing China’s rise within the time span of one generation. China is widely praised for her projection of soft power and adopting carrot over the stick policy in dealing with affairs around the globe. All international relations and foreign affairs experts agree upon a single-point agenda that modern, unpredictable and globalised world is ch.....
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Top 10 Chinese cities in economic competitiveness
Source: chinadaily.com.cn, China Daily, 2019-07-05
Shenzhen led Chinese cities in economic competitiveness last year, its fifth straight year to hold on to the top position, according to a report published by the National Academy of Economic Strategy under the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. It was followed by Hong Kong, Shanghai, Guangzhou and Beijing. The report calculated the economic competitiveness index for 293 Chinese cities, includin.....
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Understanding the last 70 years of China
Source: Yasir Habib Khan, China Daily, 2019-07-08
Going back 70 years, China had a bleak future. Ration cards, mass hunger, poverty and political chaos were reigning supreme. Chinese people were struggling to survive amid fast deteriorating basic facilities, public rights, human capital and employability. In a nutshell, China had hit rock bottom in all spheres of life. Then, signs of a miracle appeared in 1949. China girded up to.....
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China Q2 GDP growth slows to 27-year low as trade war bites
Source: Reuters, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2019-07-16
BEIJING: China’s economic growth slowed to 6.2% in the second quarter, its weakest pace in at least 27 years, as demand at home and abroad faltered in the face of mounting U.S. trade pressure. While more upbeat June factory output and retail sales offered signs of improvement, some analysts cautioned the gains may not be sustainable, and expect Beijing will continue to roll out more sup.....
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China says Trump ‘misleading’ people linking trade deal, slowing economy
Source: Agencies, Daily Times, 2019-07-19
China on Tuesday rebuffed a suggestion from US President Donald Trump that Beijing needs a trade deal with the United States because its economy is slowing, saying this was “totally misleading” and that both countries wanted an agreement. Trump, in a Monday tweet, seized on slowing economic growth in China as evidence that US tariffs were having “a major effect” and warned.....
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China to help FBR reduce misdeclarations
Source: Mubarak Zeb Khan, Dawn, 2019-07-30
ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China have decided to enter into an agreement to control misdeclaration at the country’s ports as the menace has been causing massive revenue losses and hurting foreign investment. The decision comes at a time when the government is taking measures to control corruption within the customs department systematically. “We have authorised Pakistan’s ambassador.....
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Energy, Environment & Climate Change

Sharing a passion for fashion
Source: Xu Junqian, China Daily, 2019-07-05
Clothing rentals are growing in popularity as more and more people embrace flexibility. As an analyst at international consulting firm McKinsey, Fiona Shen earns a salary that is twice as much as her friends and can afford to buy whatever catches her fancy. But one would rarely find the 31-year-old Shanghai native in a mall shopping for new clothes she simply rents them. For the past thre.....
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Islamabad: Federal Minister for Education Shafqat Mahmood emphasized the importance of conserving biodiversity in the face of global climate change, and lauded the development of a big health data repository under the Biodiversity and Big Health Data Alliance (BHBD) initiated by the Beijing Institute of Genomics, China. The Minister was addressing as the chief guest the opening session of ..... 
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Global warming reshapes almanac for tea growers
Source: Ryan Woo, Business Recorder, Islamabad, 2019-07-27
Que Liu and his wife Si En spend their mornings picking pú’er leaves in an ancient tea garden in a forest not far from their hillside village, one of many that dot the subtropical highlands of southwest China. Coveted by tea connoisseurs, pú’er is a variety distinguished by its earthy tones and complex taste structure, with each successive steeping releasing a unique flavour, devo.....
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History, language & culture

PNCA to hold Chinese Film Festival
Islamabad: Pakistan National Council of Arts with Ministry of Information will hold Chinese Film Festival on Wednesday in celebration of the 70th founding anniversary of People’s Republic of China and the 68th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relationship between China and Pakistan. The event has been launched by Chinese Embassy, China Cultural Center in Pakistan and Ch.....
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Experiencing China’s ongoing environmental improvements
Source: Bruce Connolly, China Daily, 2019-07-05
In my earliest student days back in Scotland the environment was not a major topic, even within my discipline of geography. However, early industrial growth throughout the UK had been based on fossil fuels, particularly coal. Memories of smoggy cities still remain with me, but over the years an increasing awareness of such problems and
China Tourism and Culture Week held in Pakistan
Source: Chinaculture.org, China Daily, 2019-07-02
Chinese artists perform Peking Opera at the China Cultural Center in Islamabad, Pakistan, June 19, 2019, as part of the China Tourism and Culture Week held from June 18 to 19. The tourism and culture event was held in 34 overseas Chinese culture centers and 19 tourism offices worldwide from mid-May to the end of June to promote cultural exchange and cooperation between China and the rest of the wo.....
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US-China trade war and G-20 Summit
Source: Azhar Azam, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2019-07-04
Shortly after meeting with President Xi Jinping at the G-20 summit in Osaka, President Trump announced that China and the United States would resume the suspended trade talks. As a goodwill gesture, Trump locked the new tariffs on Chinese goods for an indefinite period and also pledged to allow the US companies to sell technology and components to Huawei. Earlier at Camp David, the US President a.....
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Xinjiang: Peaceful homeland for people of all ethnic groups
Xinjiang is the nearest place of China to Pakistan. When we say that “Sino-Pakistan friendship is higher than mountains”, it refers to the Karakoram Mountains between Xinjiang and Pakistan. As the starting point for China-Pakistan Economic Corridor and the hub area of the “Belt and Road” Initiative, Xinjiang is facing unprecedented opportunities for development. From 1978 ..... more >>

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China backs President Trump’s mediation offer on Kashmir issue
Source: APP, Daily Times, 2019-07-26
BEIJING: While backing the US President Donald Trump’s mediation offer to help resolve the Kashmir issue, China said it supported the international community including the United States (US) in playing a constructive role in
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Chinese firm to invest $20m in cab, cargo services
Source: APP, Dawn , 2019-07-25
ISLAMABAD: A Chinese firm is working on comprehensive business plan to provide five important services in Pakistan, initially investing $20 million, with future prospects of $600m. Chinese company Timesaco intends to provide a rapid services platform to citizens by launching five special services including a taxi service, heavy cargo delivery , orders delivery, moving automated teller machines (A......

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Chinese services company to provide 250,000 new jobs
Source: APP, The Nation, Islamabad , 2019-07-26
ISLAMABAD - Chinese upcoming investment in transport and Informational Technology (IT) sector will provide 250,000 new employments in local market at different level of skilled and innovative side for local youth. READ MORE: FFCID issues high flood in river Chenab, Jehlum “We would hire around 200,000 drivers and other relevant staffers for our new ‘Buraq’ taxi service in six.....

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Chinese investors told Govt focused on ‘ease of doing business’
Source: APP, Business Recorder, Islamabad , 2019-07-27
ISLAMABAD: Prime Min-ister Imran Khan on Friday said that the government was committed to provide an enabling environment to the investors and the business community in undertaking profitable business ventures in the country.
Talking to a visiting delegation of eight leading Chinese textile companies, the Prime Minister said the government was fully focused on improving ‘ease of doing b.....

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Chinese firms keen to invest in textile sector
Source: Our Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad, 2019-07-29
LAHORE - A delegation of representatives from China’s top textile companies met Provincial Minister for Industry, Trade, Information & Culture Mian Aslam Iqbal on Sunday. READ MORE:SBP warns against sharing personal information on fake calls The objective of the meeting was their keen interest in developing business in the textile sector of Punjab that would change the economic lan.....

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Regional Integration under B & R + CPEC

Belt and road initiative: target towards globalisation 5.0
Source: Dr Hasnain Javed, The Nation, Islamabad, 2019-07-02
The strategic initiative of the One Belt One Road (OBOR) initiative has expanded and restructured with new routes being added along with the first project program. Now the plan aims to reach 4.4 billion people in around 69 countries with a combined effect of US $ 2 trillion on their GDP. Primarily, the initiative would bridge the infrastructure gap and redistribute funds amongst the Asian economie.....

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Health and education beyond borders
Source: Hassnain Javed, Daily Times, 2019-07-03
The New Silk Road aims to connect China’s grand route with Africa, Asia, and Europe through cyberspace and physical space, promising prosperity and innovation. One Belt, One Road, or Belt and Road, promises the construction of a massive $1 trillion infrastructure investment in the building of highways, dry and seaports, power plants, and state of the art telecommunication network. One Belt, .....
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miracle to political success, trade modernity to business liberaliza.....
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US concerned over North Koreans ‘working’ on CPEC projects
Source: Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2019-07-09
ISLAMABAD: The United States has expressed serious concerns over the possible employment of North Korean
nationals in the China-Pak Economic Corridor (CPEC) projects in Pakistan. Sources told The Express Tribune that
the US embassy in Islamabad had approached the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to convey its serious concerns over the
“rumours” that Chinese companies were likely involv.....
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Source: Editorial, Dawn, 2019-07-15
THE next phase of CPEC was supposed to have been under way by now, with large Special Economic Zones being
opened up and Chinese investors invited to acquire stakes, either via joint ventures, public-private partnerships or
direct foreign investment, in various sectors of the economy. All the movement on CPEC that has been seen thus far
— power plants, the Gwadar port and some road projects .....
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Will CPEC survive the IMF bailout? Afshan Subohi
Source: Afshan Subohi, Dawn, 2019-07-15
The staff report released by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) last week must have provided some measure of
comfort to the champions of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) as well as China that chose Pakistan to
be the first key destination for the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), which aims to sustain its economic triumph and
realise future ambitions. If this is just a coincidence, it i.....
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Budget 2019-20, CPEC and growth trajectory
Source: Ahsan Abbas and Shaista Mumtaz, The Nation, Islamabad, 2019-07-16
The incumbent government presented its first formal budget of 2019-20 in June. The total budget outlay is Rs 8,238.1 billion with
38.9% higher than the size of previous budget. The target for expenditures is set at Rs 8,238.1 billion and Rs 3,462.1 billion for
net revenues. For Public Sector Development Program (PSDP) the budget allocates Rs 1,613 billion out of which provinces share
is Rs 912 b.....
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Huawei to invest $100m in Pakistan
Source: APP, Dawn, 2019-07-18
ISLAMABAD: China’s Huawei would invest total $100 million in Pakistan during the current year and set up a regional headquarters in Islamabad at a cost of $55 million, Vice President of Huawei Group Mark Xueman said on Wednesday. Accompanied by delegation, Mr Xueman met with Minister for Planning and Development Makhdum Khsuro Bakhtyar. Secretary Planning Zafar Hasan, CPEC Project Director ......
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China lauds Pak support on Xinjiang issue
Source: INP, The Nation, Islamabad, 2019-07-16
ISLAMABAD - A spokesperson of the Chinese Foreign Ministry Geng Shuang has appreciated Pakistan and other countries for their outright support to China on the issue of human rights’ situation in Xinjiang. He noted that 37 countries including Pakistan took a logical and fair position of the issue. He told reporters at a regular news briefing here on Monday that recently, the ambassadors from.....
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No CPEC document shared with IMF: govt
Source: Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2019-07-19
ISLAMABAD: The planning secretary informed a Senate panel on Thursday that the planning and finance ministries had not shared any document related to the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) with the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Senator Sherry Rehman, the chairperson of the Senate Standing Committee on CPEC, said the government’s statement was in contradiction to media reports.....
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Govt not shared documents of CPEC with IMF: Senate panel told
ISLAMABAD - The Senate Standing Committee on China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) was informed on Thursday that the government had not shared any document relating to CPEC with the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Briefing the meeting, Secretary Planning Zafar Hassan said “Neither ministry of Planning nor finance has shared any such document of CPEC with the Fund”. Chairperson of ..... 
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China keen to improve agriculture sector in Balochistan
Source: The Newspaper's Correspondent, Dawn, 2019-07-23
QUETTA: Deputy Chief of Mission of Chinese Embassy in Islamabad Lijian Zhao said on Monday that his country wanted to help improve the agriculture sector in Balochistan by imparting training to the farmers about latest technology, proper usage of seeds, irrigation and capacity building. During a meeting with Agriculture Minister Zamarak Khan Piralizai, the Chinese diplomat said that under the Chi.....
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The belt and its buckle
With strong integration of globalization and economic forces, the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) seeks to forge a common destiny for Asia Pacific and beyond. At this critical juncture when economies are slowing down and regional politics is overtaking regional economics, the BRI offers a beacon of hope for the participating states. It is projected that the BRI, when fully realized, will reduce tr.....

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Bureaucracy reluctant to fast-track ML-I approval
Source: Shahbaz Rana, The Express Tribune, Islamabad, 2019-07-25
ISLAMABAD: As the anti-corruption watchdog launches an inquiry into another mega road project of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), the federal bureaucracy has expressed reluctance to fast-track the process of approval for the multibillion-dollar Mainline-I (ML-I) strategic project of CPEC. The issue of slow progress on ML-I was also discussed at a meeting last week between Federal.....

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China says willing to expand CPEC framework
Source: INP, The Nation, Islamabad, 2019-07-26
BEIJING - China is willing to enrich and expand the scope and framework of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) for the country’s socio-economic development and to pass on its maximum benefit to the people. READ MORE: Shehbaz serves legal notice to British tabloid We are firmly committed to promote the construction of the CPEC for the benefit of the Pakistani people,&.....

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BRI: Overconfidence or Practical Embodiment?
Source: Sarfraz Ahmed Rana, Daily Times, 2019-07-26
China’s growing economic muscle helped chalk out the global vision of build-out infrastructure around the world officially spelled as the Silk Road Economic Belt and Maritime Silk Road, referred to as One Belt, One Road (OBOR). The idea of Silk Road carries many dimensions but economics is the key driving force, primarily to improve the connectivity through Chinese massive engineering prowess, c.....

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CPEC and South-Central Asia integration
Economic integration between South Asia and Central Asia has been a cherished dream of countries located in the two regions. The process has, however, remained a dream due to a host of reasons. The $900 billion plus Chinese Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), whose one component is China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), has created a situation, which if adeptly managed, could be instrumental in the .....
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Huawei to establish 7 ICT academies
Islamabad: Huawei has planned to establish seven ICT academies and cultivate 3,000 ICT talents in 2019. Through academy the company has collaborated with 15 universities across Pakistan to date. Since entering Pakistan in 1998, Huawei has maintained robust growth and contributed to Pakistan's overall ICT industry development. Today employs about 1,600 people in the country, 91% of wh.....
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## Pakistan China Free Trade Agreement (FTA): where we are and where we are going?’
Source: Dr Hina Aslam, Daily Times, 2019-07-25
After eight years of negotiations between the two neighbor states, the incumbent Prime Minister of Pakistan Imran Khan met Chinese Premier Li Qiang on April 28, 2019, and successfully concluded the second phase of bilateral Free Trade Agreement. Amidst the national and global economic tranquility, and the incumbent government having a fancy for shifting Pakistan from a consumption oriented to expo.....

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## Technology & Innovation

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### Key vaccine in high demand, but supplies short
Source: LIU ZHIHUA, China Daily, 2019-07-05
A nurse displays the 9-valent vaccine at a clinic in Shanghai. CHINA DAILY Injections sought as protection against cancer This year, Beijing resident Chen Chu finally received her first injection of a vaccine that protects against nine types of HPV, a virus that can cause several types of cancer. It was late April, and she had been waiting for several years to be administered the 9-valent.....

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GCU, Chinese Academy of Sciences sign MoU
LAHORE: Government College University (GCU) Lahore and Research Center of Functional Polymer Materials, the Technical Institute of Physics and Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences, China signed an MoU here on Monday. GCU Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Hassan Amir Shah and Director Research Centre of Functional Polymer Materials, the Technical Institute of Physics and Chemistry, CAS, Prof Dr Day.....
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China, Pakistan expect more judicial potentials after judge seminar
Source: media Center, China Daily, 2019-07-02
The 2019 Seminar for Judges of Pakistan creates a new chapter in judicial cooperation between the country and China, said a justice of the Supreme People’s Court of China as the program closed on July 1. The seminar let the Pakistani judges involved learn about China's law culture, court development and construction of its judicial system, said Hu Yunteng, justice of the SPC, adding that .....