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**Business Recorder**

**China National Day: United in Solidarity to Build a Shared Future**

This year marks the 76th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China. The Chinese people are celebrating the 76th birthday of the motherland in various ways. We have also received warm congratulations from friends from all walks of life in Pakistan, which demonstrates that the China-Pakistan friendship is higher than the Himalayas, deeper than the oceans, and stronger than steel.

Looking back at the magnificent journey of New China over the past 76 years, under the strong leadership of the Communist Party of China, the Chinese civilization has once again unleashed a tremendous force, writing a remarkable Chinese miracle:

China has become the world's second-largest economy, and for many years, its economic growth has contributed more than 30% annually to global economic growth. China has successfully won the largest, strongest, and most extensive battle against poverty in human history, lifting over 800 million people out of poverty.

China has built a moderately prosperous society in all respects, and attained the First Centenary Goal. The great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation has taken a solid step forward. The rare phenomena of rapid economic growth and lasting social stability have complemented and enhanced each other, eloquently proving the correctness of China's path, highlighting the China's institutional strengths, and embodying the wisdom and responsibility of the Communist Party of China.

History has proven that upholding the leadership of the Communist Party of China is the fundamental guarantee for us to create miracles and achieve victories.

In 2025, China has made firm strides in its modernization drive and achieved new progress. The Chinese economy maintains rapid and stable growth.

Facing external challenges including a complex and volatile international environment, a severely disrupted international economic and trade order, and increased instability and uncertainty, the Chinese economy has been pressing forward under pressure and overcoming difficulties.

Production demand continues to grow, employment remains generally stable, and residents' incomes keep increasing, maintaining an overall development trend that balances efficiency and speed, as well as quantity and quality. In the first half of the year, China's GDP grew by 5.3% year-on-year, and the annual target of 5% is expected to be achieved.

<https://www.brecorder.com/news/40385343/china-national-day-united-in-solidarity-to-build-a-shared-future>

## **Pakistan Observer**

### **Message By: H.E. Yang Yundong Consul General of The People's Republic of China in Karachi**

On the occasion of the 76th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China, I wish our great country prosperity and the people health and happiness. And I'd like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to friends from across the Pakistan who have long cared for and supported China and contributed to the friendship between our two nations.

In 2025, under the strong leadership of the Communist Party of China, new monumental achievements have been made in advancing Chinese modernization, and greater strides have been taken toward the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. With new quality productive forces as the engine, we have driven high quality economic development, providing more opportunities for the world and realizing constructive interplay between China's development and global progress. China successfully hosted the Commemoration of the 80th anniversary of the Victory of the Chinese People's War of Resistance Against Japanese Aggression and the World Anti-Fascist War, demonstrating our resolve to safeguard peace and our confidence in national unity. We have vigorously pursued major country diplomacy with Chinese characteristics, successfully hosted the Shanghai Cooperation Organization Summit in Tianjin, where President Xi Jinping put forward the Global Governance Initiative, further contributing Chinese wisdom and solutions to the world. In 2025, under the strategic guidance of the leaders of our two countries, the China-Pakistan all-weather strategic cooperative partnership has written a new chapter. We have maintained frequent high-level exchanges, with President Asif Ali Zardari and Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif visiting China within the year, further deepening our brotherly ties and political mutual trust. The signing of the Action Plan to Foster an Even Closer China-Pakistan Community with a Shared Future in the New Era between China and Pakistan (2025-2029) has drawn up a new blueprint for practical cooperation in the next phase. Both sides have agreed to build an upgraded version of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC 2.0), further enhancing connectivity for mutual benefit and win-win outcomes. We have deepened cooperation in people-to-people exchanges, security and defense, turning the vision of "good neighbors wish each other well" into reality. Each and every friendly visit, cooperation project and signed document has not only generated strong momentum for building a closer China-Pakistan community with a shared future in the new era, but also reinforced our belief that the China-Pakistan relationship, grounded in equality, respect, and mutual trust possesses profound historical roots and contemporary vitality that keeps pace with the times. It will continue to bring more and more benefits to our two countries and peoples for certain.

May our homeland to be splendid and our people to live in peace! May the friendship between China and Pakistan last forever!

<https://pakobserver.net/message-by-h-e-yang-yundong-consul-general-of-the-peoples-republic-of-china-in-karachi/>

## **Message By H.E. Zhao Shiren Consul General of The People's Republic of China in Lahore**

On the occasion of the 76th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China, I would like to salute Mother China and extend my most sincere wishes to the Chinese compatriots in Pakistan.

Over the past 76 years, under the strong leadership of the Communist Party of China, the Chinese people have been in unity and forged ahead with determination, discipline and diligence, achieving a great leap forward from standing up on their own feet, being better-off to becoming strong. China has made remarkable progress in social and economic development, significantly enhanced its comprehensive national strength, and constantly improved the living standards of its people.

This year marks the conclusion of China's 14th Five-Year Plan. Over the past five years, China has contributed around 30% to global economic growth annually, and it is projected that China's total economic output will exceed 140 trillion yuan this year. In addition, China has achieved impressive milestones across various sectors: in technology, China has become one of the countries with the fastest-rising innovation capabilities; in environmental governance, China has established the world's largest clean power generation system and contributed one-quarter of the world's new green space; in bettering people's livelihood, China has built the world's largest educational, social security, and health-care system. Recently, China has successfully hosted major diplomatic events, including the Shanghai Cooperation Organization Summit 2025 and commemorative events for the 80th anniversary of the victory of the Chinese People's War of Resistance Against Japanese Aggression and the World Anti-Fascist War. China and Pakistan have jointly released the Action Plan (2025-2029) to foster an even closer community with a shared future in the new era. China continued to contribute to the progress of humanity, and promoted the building of a community with a shared future for humanity. China has always provided the international community with new opportunities for peace, security, development and governance. The Four Major Initiatives on Global Development, Global Security, Global Civilization and Global Governance and the Belt and Road Initiative proposed by President Xi Jinping of China, have gained more extensive understanding and support from the world. China and Pakistan have stood by each other all along the way. The 74-year-old diplomatic history testifies that the Chinese people have been in solidarity with the Pakistani friends. The China-Pakistan Economic Corridor has achieved fruitful results so far. As a flagship project and key component of the BRI, CPEC has helped Pakistan steer towards a more stabilizing and resilient economy. The CPEC 2.0 development will further transform Pakistan's socioeconomic landscape, injecting a new impetus into the regional connectivity, peace, development and prosperity. May China grow from strength to strength in its modernization drive and continue its trajectory of development.

<https://pakobserver.net/message-by-h-e-zhao-shiren-consul-general-of-the-peoples-republic-of-china-in-lahore/>

## **Trade, investment between Pakistan and China touching new heights: Shanghai Consul General**

Shehzad Ahmad Khan, the Consul General of Pakistan in Shanghai region of China, has said that trade and investment between Pakistan and China are touching new heights due to the Free Trade Agreement and the special initiatives taken under the direction of the Prime Minister of Pakistan to promote investment from China.

Speaking at a meeting with Faisal Zahid Malik, Chairman and Editor-in-Chief of Pakistan Observer, in Shanghai,

he said China is Pakistan's largest foreign investment partner and many Chinese companies are presently investing in different sectors of Pakistan. Ebrahim Faisal Malik, the Assistant Editor and Chief of Digital, Pakistan Observer, was also present on this occasion.

China's direct foreign investment in Pakistan has risen by more than 90 percent in the year 2024-2025 touching the mark of \$1.22 billion.

Shehza Ahmad Khan particularly mentioned China's efforts to develop road, rail, maritime and above all digital connectivity under CPEC.

"Both sides have, on multiple occasions, expressed their resolve to develop the Karakorum Highway to further facilitate trade and connectivity between the two countries," he added.

He said, "China is also indulging in efforts to promote Gwadar Port as this port can play an effective role to ensure China's connectivity with the outside world, particularly with Central Asia and Eastern Europe."

Shehzad Ahmad Khan informed that over 9000 Pakistanis were presently residing in the YRD Region, playing a constructive role in cementing the ironclad friendship between Pakistan and China.

Speaking on the occasion, Faisal Zahid Malik said the ironclad friendship and strategic partnership between Pakistan and China is growing with each passing day thanks to the vision and dynamic leadership of President Xi Jinping.

He highly appreciated China's deep interest in promoting regional linkages, saying that China-Pakistan Economic Corridor is a flagship project of the Belt and Road Initiative and commencement of work on CPEC-2 will give new dimensions to efforts of China and Pakistan to further enhance regional connectivity.

He particularly cited the deep-rooted cultural and tourism linkage between Pakistan and China. He added that media can play a significant role in further cementing the brotherly relations between the China and Pakistan.

<https://pakobserver.net/trade-investment-between-pakistan-and-china-touching-new-heights-shanghai-consul-general1>



## **Pak-Sino Friendship: Alliance of Trust**

*Muhammad Mohsin Iqbal*

THE story of Pakistan–China relations is one of the most remarkable chronicles of modern international diplomacy, stretching from the birth of the People’s Republic of China on October 1, 1949, to the present day.

At a time when the world was polarized by Cold War politics, Pakistan and China found in each other a trusted partner, a relationship that steadily grew from cautious beginnings into a towering edifice of friendship, cooperation, and unyielding support across every sphere of national life. This bond has endured regime changes, global upheavals, and the shifting sands of international politics, yet it stands today as a shining example of unbroken trust between two sovereign nations.

When Chairman Mao Zedong and Premier Zhou Enlai charted the course of the new China, Pakistan was among the first countries to recognize the legitimacy of their government. At a time when the West was hesitant, Pakistan chose courage over convenience, and this act of foresight laid the foundation of a relationship that has since matured into brotherhood. During the presidency of Field Marshal Ayub Khan, this understanding blossomed into strategic cooperation. It was Ayub Khan’s vision, supported by the statesmanship of Zhou Enlai, that placed the two nations on a road of collaboration. The construction of the Karakoram Highway, often hailed as the Eighth Wonder of the World, was a monumental symbol of this partnership. Built through mountains that defied engineering, it became not merely a passage for commerce but also a corridor of friendship, tying the people of Pakistan and China in bonds deeper than geography.

It was during the era of Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto that the alliance reached new heights. Bhutto, with his dynamic diplomacy, became a bridge between Beijing and the world. It was Pakistan that opened doors for China to the international community by playing a critical role in ensuring China’s rightful place in the United Nations and its permanent seat in the Security Council. This was no ordinary service; it was a gift of history, remembered in Beijing with gratitude and acknowledged in Islamabad with pride.

Through subsequent decades, every regime in Pakistan—whether civilian or military—found in Beijing an ally whose friendship was beyond expediency. China, in return, stood by Pakistan at every difficult hour. Whether it was the wars of 1965 and 1971, or the turbulent years that followed, Beijing’s moral, diplomatic, and material support never wavered. The Silk Route was reimagined through the Karakoram Highway, and the steady march of trade and cultural exchange continued to weave the destinies of the two nations together.

In the twenty-first century, the friendship has ascended to new dimensions under the banner of the China–Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), the crown jewel of the Belt and Road Initiative. Through CPEC, China has poured billions into Pakistan’s infrastructure, energy, ports, and industry. Gwadar, once a quiet coastal town, has been transformed into a deep-sea port with global potential. Highways, railways, power projects, and industrial zones are not merely investments in Pakistan’s economy but commitments to its stability and progress. At a time when the international financial climate has often been unkind, China has extended

generous loans, rolling over debts and providing crucial assistance to steady Pakistan's economic wheel.

Defense cooperation remains another vital pillar. The co-production of the JF-17 Thunder fighter aircraft is a triumph of shared technology and mutual trust, giving Pakistan's Air Force a modern edge while strengthening self-reliance. Collaboration has also extended to the Navy and Army, where China's technical expertise and supply of modern equipment have fortified Pakistan's defense capability. Joint exercises, training programs, and transfer of technology have deepened military ties, ensuring that both countries remain secure in the face of external threats.

Equally important is the technological support that China has extended to Pakistan in fields beyond defense. From space technology to telecommunications, from nuclear energy to digital infrastructure, Beijing has offered Islamabad tools of progress that few other nations have been willing to share. This transfer of knowledge has placed Pakistan on a path of modernization that might otherwise have been denied to it.

At every international forum, China has defended Pakistan's cause with consistency and courage. Whether the issue has been Kashmir, economic crises, or global security debates, Beijing has lent its voice to Pakistan's position, resisting the pressures of powerful adversaries. Pakistan, in return, has remained steadfastly aligned with China, affirming the principle that their destinies are intertwined. Together, they have faced global challenges, whether of terrorism, extremism, or international isolation, with the conviction that their partnership is shield enough against the storms of time.

It is often said that nations have no permanent friends, only permanent interests. Yet the Pakistan-China relationship is an exception to this rule. Built on shared values of sovereignty, mutual respect, and non-interference, it has risen above the ebb and flow of international self-interest. The names of Mao Zedong, Zhou Enlai, Ayub Khan, and Zulfikar Ali Bhutto are inscribed at the foundation of this brotherhood, but their legacy has been carried forward by every leader in both lands.

Today, as Pakistan and China look to the future, the friendship of the past serves as both anchor and compass. The Karakoram Highway has transformed into a network of economic corridors; the diplomatic support of the 1970s has evolved into a strategic partnership that shapes regional security; the defense cooperation of the past decades has blossomed into joint ventures of cutting-edge technology. The bond remains as firm as the mountains it traverses, as deep as the seas it touches, and as enduring as the ideals of sovereignty and dignity that both nations hold sacred. In the shifting global order, where alliances break and powers realign, the Pakistan-China friendship stands unshaken, a testament to trust that has withstood wars, crises, and changing tides. It is, and shall remain, a friendship higher than the Himalayas, deeper than the oceans, and sweeter than honey—an immortal pledge between two nations who have chosen loyalty over expediency and brotherhood over mere diplomacy.

<https://pakobserver.net/pak-sino-friendship-alliance-of-trust>



## **President Zardari felicitates China on 76th National Day**

ISLAMABAD – President Asif Ali Zardari has extended heartfelt felicitations to the Government and the people of the People’s Republic of China on their 76th National Day.

The people of Pakistan join their Chinese brothers and sisters in celebrating this day, which stands as a testament to China’s remarkable journey of progress, unity, and national advancement, the president said in a message.

“President Xi Jinping’s visionary leadership has guided China to the frontiers of innovation, global influence, and sustainable development. His steadfast pursuit of people-centric governance, bold initiatives for shared prosperity, and advocacy for a community with a shared future for mankind continue to inspire not only the Chinese nation but all who believe in a more inclusive and cooperative world,” Zardari said.

“With each passing year our multifaceted time-tested friendship is becoming stronger. During my recent visits to China, our resolve to further expand trade and infrastructure links, as well as our strategic security collaboration, was further strengthened.”

President Zardari said he wished to see strong people-to-people ties between the two countries, underpinned by collaboration in science, education, technology and culture, grow even deeper, as “they remain central to our enduring partnership”.

“On this auspicious occasion, I convey my warmest wishes for President Xi Jinping’s continued success and for the prosperity and happiness of the friendly people of China. May our ties continue to flourish in the years ahead. Long live the Pakistan-China friendship,” he concluded.

<https://pakobserver.net/president-zardari-felicitates-china-on-76th-national-day>

### **The Express Tribune**

## **Pakistan targets 10,000 tonnes sesame exports to China in 2025**

Pakistan is working to achieve an export target of 10,000 metric tonnes of sesame seeds to China in 2025 under agricultural cooperation initiatives linked to the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor. Officials and industry representatives say the effort is supported by contract farming projects, technology transfer, and infrastructure improvements being carried out with Chinese assistance.

China Machinery Engineering Corporation has expanded sesame farming to about 5,000 acres in Pakistan. The company has introduced modern farming practices, provided training to farmers, and implemented quality standards to ensure consistency in output. This collaboration is intended to strengthen the sesame supply chain and prepare farmers to meet the growing demand from Chinese buyers.

Pakistan’s sesame exports to China have shown rapid growth in recent years. In 2024, the trade was valued at around 226 million US dollars. Officials forecast that exports could continue to rise sharply in the coming years as Chinese demand for sesame products, including cooking oil and health foods, remains strong. Some estimates suggest Pakistan’s

overall agricultural exports to China could reach more than 20 billion US dollars in the long term if cooperation under the Belt and Road Initiative continues to expand.

Analysts say contract farming offers farmers greater stability by ensuring access to buyers and guidance on cultivation practices. Research institutions in both countries have tested sesame varieties suited to local soil and climate conditions. Improved seeds, use of fertilizers, and pest management are being emphasized as key elements for enhancing yield and maintaining export quality.

At the same time, challenges remain. Extreme weather events and floods may disrupt planting or reduce output in some areas. There are also concerns about whether all farmers will be able to adopt modern practices quickly. Meeting the quality and phytosanitary standards required for Chinese markets is considered essential to sustaining the trade relationship.

China's demand for sesame is significant, with imports exceeding one million metric tonnes annually. Pakistan, due to its geographical proximity and expanding production base, is positioning itself as a reliable supplier. Achieving the 2025 target of 10,000 metric tonnes would represent an important step in strengthening bilateral trade ties and improving farmer incomes. Officials believe the initiative highlights the broader potential of CPEC-driven agricultural cooperation for Pakistan's economy.

Pakistan's agricultural exports to China have been on the rise lately. Rice exports to China recorded robust growth in the first eight months of 2025, rising around 70% year-on-year, according to data from the General Administration of Customs of China.

From January to August, Pakistan exported rice worth \$44.31 million to China, compared with \$26.30 million during the same period of last year, marking a 68.5% increase.

An official of Pakistan's Ministry of Commerce said that a significant contributor to this increase was semi- or wholly milled rice (HS code 10063020), which fetched \$33.67 million in 2025, compared with just \$5.63 million in the corresponding period of 2024. Broken rice exports also performed strongly, rising to \$7.71 million.

Analysts note that the growing demand for Pakistani rice reflects its strong competitiveness in terms of quality, taste and pricing. Enhanced facilitation under the China-Pakistan Free Trade Agreement and closer collaboration between exporters and importers have further accelerated the momentum.

However, Dynamic Engineering & Automation Founder and Chief Executive Owais Mir told China Economic Net that recent floods had caused significant damage to agriculture, which could negatively affect export volumes in the coming months.

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/2569970/pakistan-targets-10000-tonnes-sesame-exports-to-china-in-2025>

The Nation

**Pakistan, China to take partnership to new heights: PM**

ISLAMABAD - Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Wednesday said that the enduring and unbreakable bond between Pakistan and China had grown stronger over time, expressing the hope that the two countries would elevate their friendship and partnership to new heights. The prime minister, in his message on the 76th National Day of the People’s Republic of China annually observed on October 1, felicitated the leadership and brotherly people of China on behalf of the people and Government of Pakistan. Wishing progress, prosperity, and success for the Chinese people, he said that the National Day served as a reminder of China’s remarkable national journey, besides acknowledging the progress, stability, and China’s role in establishing global peace. Prime Minister Shehbaz said that Pakistan took pride in its brotherly relations with China and that under the visionary leadership of President Xi Jinping, China had achieved progress and prosperity that served as a role model for the world. He said that the relations between the two countries were based on mutual trust, sacrifice and sincerity, which also guaranteed peace, progress, and prosperity for future generations. Calling his recent visit to China “highly fruitful and productive,” the prime minister said that historic milestones were achieved in the context of Pakistan-China bilateral relations, including the meeting of Shanghai Cooperation Organization and B2B conference, where investment accords worth billions of dollars were signed. He said that the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor was the most significant joint economic project of Pakistan with China, which had now entered its second phase.

<https://www.nation.com.pk/02-Oct-2025/pakistan-china-take-partnership-new-heights-pm>

K2 Daily

The image shows a clipping from the K2 Daily newspaper. The top part features a headline in Urdu: "چین میں تحقیق و ترقی کے اخراجات میں مسلسل اضافہ" (Continuous increase in research and development expenditures in China). Below this, there is a sub-headline: "گزشتہ سال کی نسبت 8.9 فیصد اضافہ ہو، یہ 36 کھرب روپے آن سے تجاوز" (An increase of 8.9% compared to last year, exceeding 360 billion rupees). The main body of the clipping contains several paragraphs of text in Urdu, discussing economic growth, foreign investment, and the impact of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). It mentions that China's GDP grew by 5.2% in the first nine months of 2024, and that the country's foreign investment in infrastructure projects has increased significantly. The text also highlights the role of the Chinese government in supporting these projects and the positive impact on the global economy.

[https://epaper.dailyk2.com/Home?Issue=NP\\_GB&Page=International%20/%20Local%20News&Date=2025-10-01](https://epaper.dailyk2.com/Home?Issue=NP_GB&Page=International%20/%20Local%20News&Date=2025-10-01)

[https://epaper.dailyk2.com/Home?Issue=NP\\_GB&Page=Classified&Date=2025-10-01](https://epaper.dailyk2.com/Home?Issue=NP_GB&Page=Classified&Date=2025-10-01)

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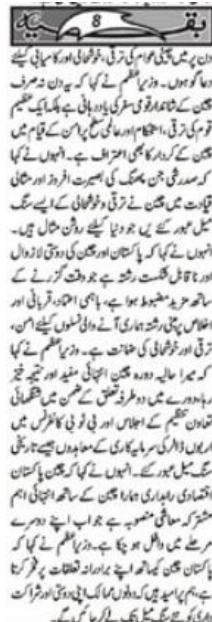
### **Jang News**

#### **پاکستان اور چین کی آزمودہ دوستی مزید مضبوط ہو رہی ہے، صدر، وزیراعظم**

اسلام آباد (نمائندہ خصوصی، نیوز رپورٹر، کامرس رپورٹر) صدر مملکت آصف علی زرداری اور وزیراعظم شہباز شریف نے عوامی جمہوریہ چین کی حکومت اور عوام کو اُن کے 76 ویں قومی دن کے موقع پر مبارکباد پیش کرتے ہوئے کہا ہے کہ پاکستان اور چین کی آزمودہ دوستی مزید مضبوط ہو رہی ہے، دونوں ممالک اپنی دوستی اور شراکت داری کو نئے سنگ میل تک لے کر جائینگے۔ بدھ کو ایوان صدر کے پریس ونگ سے جاری بیان کے مطابق صدر مملکت نے چین کے 76 ویں قومی دن کے موقع پر جاری پیغام میں کہا کہ پاکستان کے عوام اپنے چینی بھائیوں اور بہنوں کے ساتھ اس دن کی خوشیاں مناتے ہیں جو چین کے ترقی کے شاندار سفر اور اتحاد کی علامت ہے، چین کے مشترکہ خوشحالی اور عالمی تعاون کے وژن کو پاکستان کی حمایت حاصل ہے۔ انہوں نے چین کے عوام کی خوشحالی اور صدر شی جن پنگ کامیابیوں کے لئے نیک تمناؤں کا اظہار کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ ہماری دوستی آنے والے برسوں میں مزید پروان چڑھے گی۔ ادھر وزیراعظم شہباز شریف نے اپنے پیغام میں کہا ہے کہ پاکستان چین کے ساتھ اپنے برادرانہ تعلقات پر فخر کرتا ہے اور ہم پر امید ہیں کہ دونوں ممالک اپنی دوستی اور شراکت داری کو نئے سنگ میل تک لے کر جائینگے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ یہ دن نہ صرف چین کے شاندار قومی سفر کی یاد دہانی ہے بلکہ ایک عظیم قوم کی ترقی، استحکام اور عالمی سطح پر امن کے قیام میں چین کے کردار کا بھی اعتراف ہے، صدر شی جن پنگ کی بصیرت افروز اور مثالی قیادت میں چین نے ترقی و خوشحالی کے ایسے سنگ میل عبور کیے ہیں جو دنیا کے لیے ایک روشن مثال ہیں۔ وزیراعظم نے کہا کہ پاکستان اور چین کی دوستی ایک لازوال اور ناقابل شکست رشتہ ہے، جو وقت گزرنے کے ساتھ مزید مضبوط ہوا ہے، یہ رشتہ باہمی اعتماد، قربانی اور اخلاص پر مبنی ہے اور ہماری آنے والی نسلوں کے لیے امن، ترقی اور خوشحالی کی ضمانت ہے۔ سپیکر قومی اسمبلی ایاز صادق، وزیر داخلہ محسن نقوی اور وزیر منصوبہ بندی پر احسن اقبال نے بھی چین کے 76 ویں یوم تاسیس کے موقع پر چینی عوام اور ان کی قیادت کو مبارکباد دی ہے۔

<https://e.jang.com.pk/detail/966607>

### **K2 Daily**



**چین میں تحقیق و ترقی کے اخراجات میں مسلسل اضافہ**  
گزشتہ سال کی نسبت 8.9 فیصد اضافہ ہوا، یہ 36 کرب یو اے سے تجاوز  
بیجنگ (جمہوریہ چین) کے قومی ادارہ شماریات نے کہا کہ 2021 سے  
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کی نسبت 8.9 فیصد اضافہ ہوا اور یہ 36 کرب یو اے سے اضافہ ہوا جو بڑی معیشتوں میں تیز ترین  
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**October 04, 2025**

**Pakistan Observer**

**Zardari visit to China to enhance ironclad strategic ties between two countries: Solangi**

Presidential Spokesperson Murtaza Solangi and Daniyal Gilani, Press Secretary to the President of Pakistan, paid a visit to Pakistan Observer offices where they held indepth discussion with Chairman and Editor-in-Chief Pakistan Observer Faisal Zahid Malik and Saud Faisal Malik, the Digital Chief of Pakistan Observer, on national and international issues.

Solangi and Gilani appreciated the role of Pakistan Observer in promoting Pakistan's interests at home and abroad.

Speaking on the occasion, Solangi said that President Asif Ali Zardari is committed to fostering harmony and reconciliation between different social, political groups and will continue his role as the symbol of the unity of the federation

Solangi emphasized the proactive and constructive role of President Zardari in both domestic and international spheres. Referring to the President's recent visit to China, he noted that Zardari visited various Chinese provinces "to forge the ironclad strategic partnership between Pakistan and China at the grassroots level."

Highlighting the visit to the Aviation Industry Corporation of China (AVIC)—China's leading aerospace and defense conglomerate in Chengdu—Solangi said the tour reflected a new chapter in defense collaboration between the two countries.

Mr. Solangi said Chairman PPP Bilawal Bhutto Zardari visited China's 120-year old Fudan University in Shanghai. During the visit, he delivered a speech to the students on the past, present, and future of Pakistan-China Friendship.

Bilawal Bhutto Zardari also met with Vice President of Fudan University Dr. Chen Zhimin and exchanged views on key topics, including international public relations.

He also interacted with the Pakistani students studying at the Fudan University.

The President's Spokesperson said that the China visit further strengthened business-to-business ties, deepened strategic cooperation, expanded economic partnerships, and promoted public-private collaboration.

During their visit to Pakistan Observer, Solangi and Gilani toured the News Desk, Digital Media, and other departments of the newspaper. They interacted with the editorial, production, and digital staff, and expressed appreciation for the professionalism and innovation on display—particularly praising the studios of Observer TV.

<https://pakobserver.net/zardari-visit-to-china-to-enhance-ironclad-strategic-ties-between-two-countries-solangi>



**October 05, 2025**

**Business Recorder**

**China sends 90 tons of flood relief aid**

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<https://www.brecorder.com/news/40385905/china-sends-90-tons-of-flood-relief-aid>

**The Express Tribune**

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<https://tribune.com.pk/story/2570645/china-sends-90-tons-of-flood-relief-aid-to-pakistan>

**The Nation**

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## The News

### **Huge potential for ports along Pakistan's coastline: security sources**

*Aamir Ghauri*

Pakistan looking for "strategic partners" to tap country's mineral wealth, which could be US, China, Saudi Arabia or anyone else

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan is not offering a naval base to the United States in Balochistan and reports circulating in foreign media pointing to such possibilities in future involving public-private partnerships are nothing but proposals, senior security sources informed a select group of media persons on Saturday.

The security sources emphasised that Pakistan's coastline holds vast potential for large and small commercial ports, adding that countries around the world assess such partnership proposals. In this context, Pakistan's national interest would be given priority.

A high-level source said, "It is not important for us what constitutes United States' interest. The only thing that matters for us is what benefits Pakistan."

He was responding to a question about a recent report published in the Financial Times claiming that "advisers to Pakistani army chief Field Marshal Asim Munir have approached US officials with an offer to build and run a port on the Arabian Sea." The British newspaper also claimed to have "seen a plan" of the proposal.

According to the British newspaper, the plan, envisaging American investors building and operating a terminal to access Pakistan's critical minerals in the town of Pasni -a port town in Gwadar District in the province that borders Afghanistan and Iran, was floated with some US officials.

A senior security/intelligence official told FT: "The Chief of the Army Staff does not have any advisers in an official capacity."

"Conversations or proposals by private individuals or commercial entities are exploratory and should not be construed as state initiatives. In that context, a concept of port on southern coast also surfaced in private discussions with Mota Engil Group. It has not been submitted through official channels, has not been reviewed at any strategic or governmental level, and remains a commercial idea pending appropriate consideration." He further said, "The piece acknowledges it is not official policy, yet implies a link to the Army Chief which is not accurate."

The security sources elaborated that unlike the last century where fossil fuels ruled the roost in international economy, today "mines and minerals" have taken precedence. "Mines and minerals offer an opportunity that exists today that may not be of much worth tomorrow. Exploring them demands "strategic patience" and a country like Pakistan would naturally be looking for "strategic partners" who could offer investment and technology to tap the mineral wealth "our country is bestowed with." He said these partners could be the United States, China, Saudi Arabia or anyone else interested in partnering with us. "Pakistan's preference would be a partnership based on own interest and ground realities."

The briefing that lasted for hours, covered issues ranging from the on-going genocide of the Palestinian people by the Zionist state of Israel to the worsening law and order situation in Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa provinces.

Responding to a question about the possibility of a “deal” with Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaaf or a reprieve for its leader, the security sources said that Pakistan Army had neither kept “political relationship” with any political party in the past nor has any desire to maintain one now. “Political dialogues should happen between political parties and groups and must remain so.” They said only courts would decide about what happened on May 9.

Referring to PTI’s “propensity” to involve Army in any and every aspect of national life, the security sources categorically denied any contacts between Imran Khan’s sister Aleema Khan and the Military Intelligence (MI). “We neither have any ties with politicians nor do we desire such contacts. Why do they want to discuss issues with us? They should talk to other politicians. We do not have any expertise of this field. We do not desire such a role and we do not have any energy for such activities.”

Commenting about the court martial proceedings against former ISI chief Lieutenant General (r) Faiz Hameed, the security sources said the process was progressing though it might come across as slow. but “we have to be very very careful in matters relating to justice and law.”

To a question about the possibility of the general going scot-free, the source said: “We don’t let [felons] run. Wrongdoing at the highest level can’t be forgiven.”

Speaking at length about the worsened law and order and counterterrorism issues, the security sources blamed the political-terrorists-criminals nexus for a situation where thousands of terrorists have been killed in recent years and innocent victims have lost their lives. A detailed account was shared of how many IBOs have been conducted every year and how many terrorists have been terminated.

The security sources sounded uncomfortable with terms like the hybrid regime and challenged their use by saying: “There is only one system working in the country and that is the Constitution. All actions during Marka-e-Haq were taken by the chief executive of the country as allowed by the Constitution of the country. There is no difference of opinion between various arms of the state on all relevant issues.”

<https://www.thenews.com.pk/latest/1348680-huge-potential-for-ports-along-pakistan-s-coastline-security-sources>

**بقیہ 12**

ہے اور بعض فیصلہ دہندگان اور ایڈیٹس مضمون کی ایک سال سے بھی کم عرصے میں فوری طور پر تصدیق بھی ہیں جس سے مضمون کو مسلسل علاج کی سہولت میسر آ رہی ہے۔ چنانچہ ایڈیٹس کی طرف ایسی باتوں کی 2023 کے مضمون دیکھا راز پر بھی ایک جگہ جو مضمون راجست میں تیار کیا گیا ہے لیکن جس میں سرطان کے مضمون کی 5 سالہ تاریخ کی شرح کو توثیق دیکھ کر ہائی میں 33.3 فیصد سے زیادہ کے 2023 کے آخر تک 43.7 فیصد ہو گیا ہے۔ اپنے اچھے ایڈیٹس اسے کے مطابق مضمون کے لیے اور اساتذہ علاج کرنے والی ایڈیٹس کے علاوہ مضمون بھی بڑی فوری سے دیگر ایڈیٹس اور ایڈیٹس مضمون بھی شامل ہیں۔

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## Jang News

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### شنگھائی تعاون تنظیم کا چین پاکستان "آہنی دوستی" کو مزید مستحکم اور پائیدار بنانے میں نمایاں کردار

مستط: زینا کوٹک شاہ، چانگہ آباد، پاکستان

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**سی پیک فیزٹو کا آغاز، چین اور پاکستان کے درمیان 11 تعلیمی معاہدوں پر دستخط**

جھنگ ژو (این این آئی) چین اور پاکستان کے درمیان تعلیمی شعبے میں تعاون کو فروغ دینے کے لیے 11 معاہدوں پر دستخط ہو گئے، یہ معاہدے "چین-پاکستان کانفرنس برائے جدید زراعت اور صنعت و تعلیم کے انضمام" کے دوران طے پائے۔ گوادر پرو کے مطابق یہ تقریب شینڈونگ صوبے کے سینئر حکام کی موجودگی میں منعقد ہوئی، جس میں پاکستان سے سائنس قونسلر محمد خان، سیکریٹری نادر چھٹہ، وائس چانسلر پروفیسر ڈاکٹر محمد کامران، ٹی ای وی ٹی اے اور ایم این ایس یونیورسٹی آف ایگریکلچر ملتان کے نمائندے شریک ہوئے۔ ان معاہدوں میں زرعی ٹیکنالوجی کی منتقلی کیلئے چار فریقی اوورسیز ٹریننگ بیس، فوڈ سیفٹی اور معائنہ کیلئے سینٹر آف ایکسیلینس، اور ڈیری و بھینس انٹسٹری کی ترقی کے لیے اویسس سٹیل ورکشاپ پروجیکٹ شامل ہیں۔ دیگر معاہدوں میں پھولوں کی کاشت، مویشیوں، اور جدید زرعی ٹیکنالوجی میں ڈیٹا لوم پروگرام شامل ہیں۔ <https://e.jang.com.pk/detail/968778>

**October 07, 2025**  
**Business Recorder**

**MoUs, agreements and JVs signed during PM's China visit: Three-tier mechanism to monitor progress**

Mushtaq Ghumman

ISLAMABAD: Special Assistant to the Prime Minister on Industries and Production, Haroon Akhtar Khan approved a three-tier mechanism to monitor progress on MoUs, agreements, and Joint Ventures (JVs) signed during the Prime Minister's recent visit to China. Recently, he presided over a meeting as head of the Working Group (WG) meant to monitor and discuss the mechanism of follow-up of different pacts and meetings. The Chair finalized the following three-tier monitoring mechanism: (i) weekly WG to be chaired by Additional Secretary BoI to be attended by the line Minister and officials of the Pakistan Embassy in China to share progress as per sectors of the MoUs/JVs and sectors of the B2B Investment Conference. <https://www.brecorder.com/news/40386206/mous-agreements-and-jvs-signed-during-pms-china-visit-three-tier-mechanism-to-monitor-progress>



## **Dawn News**

### **Chinese envoy reiterates deep rooted Sino-Pak friendship**

PESHAWAR: Ambassador of China Jiang Zaidong on Monday reaffirmed the “deep-rooted and ironclad friendship” between China and Pakistan.

During the mid-autumn festival celebrations by the China Window here, the envoy extended warm festive greetings and expressed best wishes for happiness, health and prosperity to all attendees and their families.

He described the mid-autumn festival as one of the most poetic and romantic traditional Chinese festivals, symbolising family reunion, peace and harmony.

“This year’s celebration carries special joy as it coincides with China’s National Day, marking a double celebration for the Chinese nation,” he said.

Ambassador Jiang said in today’s interconnected world, civilisational inclusiveness and mutual learning among nations were vital for advancing modernisation and enriching global culture.

He reiterated President Xi Jinping’s vision of the China-Pakistan bond as resilient, brotherly and built on trust and common values, saying both countries have always stood shoulder to shoulder for shared development and prosperity.

Highlighting achievements under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, the envoy said the project had become a powerful driving force for Pakistan’s economic and social growth.

He said in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, key milestones included the completion of the first phase of the Rashakai Special Economic Zone, the Suki Kinari hydropower stations, first anniversary of commercial operation and significant progress in fibre-optic, and transport infrastructure projects, enhancing regional connectivity. Ambassador Jiang also appreciated cultural collaborations such as the China-Pakistan Art Exchange Exhibition, co-hosted by the Directorate of Archaeology and Museums, and lauded China Window for its consistent efforts in presenting a truthful and multidimensional picture of China, fostering greater understanding between the two nations. “Wherever the moonlight reaches, there is a sense of home. No matter how the international situation evolves, the peoples of China and Pakistan will continue to stand hand in hand and heart to heart,” he said. Earlier, culture and tourism secretary Dr Abdul Samad said it was highly commendable that the people of Pakistan were celebrating Chinese festivals with great enthusiasm, reflecting the spirit of strengthening the Sino-Pak friendship even further. He added that the message of goodwill extended by the Chinese ambassador to the families of Pakistanis on the important occasion signified that the people of China also shared their happiness with them. On behalf of the government and people of KP, Dr Samad extended warm greetings to the people of China, the Chinese diplomats in Pakistan and their families on the occasion of the mid-autumn festival and wished them happiness and prosperity. Students from local schools presented a colourful cultural show during the ceremony. The China Window’s administration distributed mooncakes to mark the day. <https://www.dawn.com/news/1947069/chinese-envoy-reiterates-deep-rooted-sino-pak-friendship>

**October 08, 2025**

**Dawn News**

**Relations with China thriving despite global regional uncertainties  
speakers**

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan-China relations remain the “cornerstone” of Pakistan’s foreign policy, which have been thriving despite global and regional uncertainties, said a former ambassador Sohail Mahmood.

He was speaking at an International Seminar organised by the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI), in collaboration with the Pakistan Study Centre at Fudan University. Mr Mahmood, who is also Director General of ISSI, underscored that CPEC has transformed Pakistan’s development landscape and serves as a catalyst for regional connectivity.

He emphasised the importance of the recently agreed China-Pakistan Action Plan (2025–2029) as a framework for advancing cooperation in technology, digital economy, green development and industrial upgrading.

additional foreign secretary Imran Ahmed Siddiqui underlined the resilience and strategic significance of the Pakistan-China partnership, describing it as a relationship anchored in trust, mutual support, and shared vision. He emphasised that Pakistan-China cooperation had withstood global and regional challenges and continued to expand into new domains.

Mr Siddiqui particularly highlighted the synergy between CPEC and Pakistan’s Economic Transformation Plan–URAAN, noting that this alignment would unlock new opportunities for sustainable growth. He stressed that the second phase of CPEC would not only strengthen traditional infrastructure and energy projects but also drive forward-looking cooperation in advanced sectors such as artificial intelligence, biotechnology, renewable energy, and digital innovation, thereby preparing both countries to meet the demands of the 21st century economy.

He reaffirmed Pakistan’s firm support for China’s global initiatives and expressed confidence that the partnership would remain a cornerstone of peace and prosperity in the region.

Strategic Planning Division Adviser Dr Zahir Kazmi described security cooperation as a cornerstone of stability and proposed practical measures such as maritime safety networks and CPEC resilience exercises.

Deputy Director of Institute of International Studies, Shanghai Academy of Social Science Prof Wang Zhen highlighted the global significance of this cooperation, noting that education, youth empowerment, and poverty reduction must complement military measures.

Associate Dean, School of International Studies & Deputy Director, Institute of South Asian Studies, Sichuan University Prof. Huang Yunsong presented the China-Pakistan Action Plan as a practical blueprint for institutionalised cooperation while underscoring the importance of people-to-people ties, scholarships, and training programmes.



Dr. Asma Rashid, Lecturer Department of Politics and International Relations, International Islamic University, analyzed the evolving strategic culture underpinning bilateral ties, while Dr. Ma Zheng, Special Associate Research Fellow, School of International Relations, Sun Yat-sen University, pointed to renewed security challenges from TTP and Baloch militants, calling for joint platforms for dialogue and threat assessments.

Principal & Dean Department of Economics, School of Social Sciences & Humanities, NUST Dr. Ashfaq Hassan Khan proposed establishing a new organisation SAECO Plus (China) and also suggested transforming CPEC into a truly regional initiative by expanding outreach to Afghanistan, Central Asia, Iran, and Azerbaijan.

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1947296/relations-with-china-thriving-despite-global-regional-uncertainties-speakers>

### **Pakistan Observer**

#### **BRI & Expected 15th Year Plan and Way Forward**

*Dr Mehmood Ul Hassan Khan*

The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) has entered a new era of modernization and quality development and the start of China's 15th Five Year Plan is expected to further strengthen its capacity for trans-regional connectivity, infrastructure development, qualitative industrialization, digitalization and hybrid agriculture among the member countries.

According to the Chinese media, numerous proposals are under consideration for China's 15th Five-Year Plan. It has been a series of strategic documents that have been guiding the country's medium to long-term economic and social development since the 1950s. Hopefully, it would have positive impacts on the strategic expansion of the BRI.

Interestingly, in his various speeches, Chinese President Xi Jinping highlighted the prospective nature, composition, utility, scope and importance of the 15th Five Year Plan and urged sound planning and implementation of the goals, tasks and strategic measures through ensuring decisive progress toward basically achieving socialist modernization. Hence, sound planning, immaculate execution and decisive progress would cater socialist modernization—a part and parcel of the 15th Five Year Plan—so the future of BRI would also be dependent on it. Moreover, while delivering a keynote speech in Shanghai in April, Xi emphasized the expansion of high-standard opening up, stressing the need to adapt to the changing global landscape and grasp strategic priorities for China's development. This means that development and security, along with a comprehensive assessment of domestic and external risks and challenges, would also be the guiding lines for the 15th Five Year Plan.

It is pertinent to mention that the promotion of economic and social development would also be a key part of the 15th Five Year Plan, which would also be replicated in the BRI, gearing a stable and sustainable socio-economic growth model among all the member countries in the days to come. Thus, adhering to the general principle of seeking progress while maintaining stability and accelerating the forging of a new development paradigm would also be institutionalized in it. Obviously, the 15th Five-Year Plan is considered a crucial step as

China is using a three-plan period that includes the 14th, 15th and 16th Five-Year Plans to “basically realize socialist modernization” by 2035, a goal set by the 20th National Congress of the CPC in 2022.

It is a good omen that the development of new quality productive forces—a key driver for high-quality growth—is expected to be a priority during the 15th Five-Year Plan. Thus, the strategic importance of developing new quality productive forces tailored to local conditions in 2026-2030 will further strengthen China’s development through technological innovation, with the real economy being the foundation. Hence, the future of BRI will be based on high-quality growth and new productive forces creating numerous befitting propositions for the member countries. As the transformation and upgrading of traditional industries, actively developing emerging industries and proactively laying the groundwork for future industries have been dubbed a strategic value addition, these should be immediately started to accelerate the construction of a modern industrial system, which would also be beneficial for the BRI.

Evidently, Xi also stressed the importance of improving the national innovation system through stimulating the vitality of various innovation entities and zeroing in on global scientific and technological frontiers. It seems that solid foundational and strategic support for new quality productive forces will depend on the coordinated integration of education, technology and talent, which should be nurtured as soon as possible. Maintaining a sustained focus on the development of new quality productive forces will help clarify the direction for shaping new drivers and advantages in China’s development. Remarkably, an online campaign to seek the public’s opinions on the plan, lasting from May 20 to June 20, gathered more than 3.11 million suggestions reflecting people’s massive participation in the decision-making process of the CPC.

China’s economic planning mechanism has two anchor points: 2035, when it aims to “basically realize socialist modernization” with per capita gains and institutional maturity and 2049, the centenary of the People’s Republic of China and the deadline to build a “great modern socialist country.” In this two-stage trajectory, the 15th Five-Year Plan (2026–2030) emerges as the inflection point which would also affect the BRI. Delivering on the people-centered development philosophy means creating institutional mechanisms that enable households to consistently share in the dividends of growth.

Obviously, it may include portable social insurance across provinces, greater public-service funding from state-owned enterprise (SOE) dividends and wage-productivity compacts that ensure workers benefit from enterprise upgrades. This marks a shift from growth as quantity to modernization as legitimacy, where visible, shared outcomes define political credibility. In summary, the promotion of high-quality and institutionalization of innovation-led growth without the old levers would be key pillars of the 15th Five Year Plan. The CPC has made it clear that innovation is the primary driving force for development. Thus, the BRI must be more innovative and economically integrated. Hence, it is suggested that socio-economic growth during the 15th Five-Year Plan should not be derived from the past model of real estate leverage and debt-fueled infrastructure cycles.

The writer pinpoints that reallocation of capital to frontier technologies, green infrastructure, and platform industries, along with the formation of rule-based markets for power and

carbon, will be a challenge for Chinese policymakers during the 15th Five Year Plan. However, the CPC's supervision, economic insight, good governance, people-centric policies, and financial transparency can steer investment toward long-term productive capacity. The writer further submits that a new model of opening up, ensuring regulatory consistency, removal of negative lists, and expansion of cross-border investment and data regimes through legal mechanisms, would strengthen stakeholder trust and reduce investor friction. Moreover, formation of a governance model promoting constructive competition should be the way forward, integrating rule of law and virtue to deliver efficient, flexible, and disciplined administration at the grassroots level. Hopefully, the 15th Five-Year Plan will achieve its socio-economic growth goals, benefitting all BRI member countries in the days to come.

<https://pakobserver.net/bri-expected-15th-year-plan-and-way-forward>

## **CPEC, 14th JCC and Resolution of Burning Issues**

*Z.H. Khan*

The 14th Joint Cooperation Committee (JCC) meeting of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) recently concluded in Beijing but failed to resolve key issues concerning safety, security and capacity repayments to Chinese Independent Power Producers (IPPs).

Moreover, desired pledges on ML-1 and other mega projects have not yet materialized. Despite this, the meeting has been termed a historic milestone as the partnership between Pakistan and China entered CPEC Phase-II. However, it should rather serve as a wake-up call for the country's policymakers, especially the Planning Ministry, which often makes lofty claims yet delivers little.

Undoubtedly, qualitative industrialization, technological advancement, sustainability and shared prosperity could transform CPEC Phase 2.0 in Pakistan, but key parameters such as foreign direct investment, modernization, digitalization, policy contingency, political stability, zero corruption and human development remain missing. Furthermore, the development of five to six pending Special Economic Zones has not been properly addressed, posing a major obstacle to attracting Chinese investors.

Rapidly changing socio-economic, geopolitical and geostrategic trends indicate a possible policy shift from Islamabad. It will be a challenging task for the Planning Ministry to attract more Chinese private companies to invest in Pakistan without first resolving these pressing issues. Mere projection of convergence will not be sufficient to strengthen the China-Pakistan community with a shared future, as signed in September 2025. The proposed plan outlines a comprehensive agenda covering industrial cooperation, Special Economic Zones, agricultural modernization, maritime development, mining and flagship connectivity projects such as the ML-1 Railway, Karakoram Highway (KKH) realignment and Gwadar development. However, a holistic approach supported by a diversified mechanism is urgently needed to advance CPEC Phase 2.0.

According to reliable sources, the issue of Chinese IPPs could not be resolved as Islamabad sought to extend the repayment period. On partial financing of the ML-1, China requested a

firm commitment from Islamabad before finalizing the agreement, especially in the context of the ongoing IMF program, reflecting a widening trust deficit between both sides. Highlighting a forward-looking agenda, the Minister noted that CPEC Phase-II will be driven by five corridors—growth, innovation, green development, livelihood and regional connectivity. These will be aligned with Pakistan's URAAN 5Es framework of Exports, E-Pakistan, Energy & Environment and Equity & Empowerment. However, more concrete policies are required to make URAAN 5Es a functional model for a prosperous Pakistan.

Minister Ahsan Iqbal emphasized the urgency of implementing the ML-1 and KKH realignment, noting their strategic importance for uninterrupted connectivity between Pakistan and China. He asserted that early execution of these projects would yield far-reaching economic dividends for the entire region. His proposal to hold JCC meetings every six months and convene Joint Working Groups quarterly during the first three years of Phase-II reflects existing delays and deadlocks in effectively advancing CPEC Phase 2.0. Hence, institutional strengthening, resolution of pending issues, provision of missing economic parameters and enhanced protection for Chinese personnel are essential for the effective implementation of CPEC Phase 2.0.

Acknowledging the geopolitical challenges and propaganda by anti-CPEC forces, the minister urged swift agreement on the JCC minutes to send a strong signal of unity and decisiveness. He announced that Pakistan and China had agreed to publish an updated CPEC long-term plan within 90 days, reflecting the convergence of Pakistan's 5Es with the five corridors of CPEC 2.0. Hopefully, ministerial reassurance to Chinese partners will affirm Pakistan's unwavering commitment to the safety and security of all CPEC projects and Chinese nationals working in Pakistan. He described CPEC not only as a development initiative but also as a symbol of the iron-clad friendship between Pakistan and China, underpinned by trust, stability and mutual respect.

He also proposed that the 15th JCC meeting be held in May 2026 in Islamabad, coinciding with the 75th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Pakistan and China, further cementing the historic ties between the two nations. It is encouraging that the 14th JCC reaffirmed that CPEC Phase-II will be the driving engine of future partnership and growth, aligning its five corridors—growth, innovation, green development, livelihood and regional connectivity—with Pakistan's 5Es framework of Exports, E-Pakistan, Energy & Environment and Equity & Empowerment. However, serious and sincere efforts are needed from top to bottom to attract more Chinese investment and ensure timely completion of CPEC projects.

In his closing remarks, Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Special Initiatives, Ahsan Iqbal, highlighted the shared vision, renewed determination and ambitious roadmap that will shape the next stage of this transformative initiative. Hence, a comprehensive overhaul is urgently required to pursue these highly projected objectives in the days to come. On its part, Vice Chairman of the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) Zhou Haibing underscored that the 14th JCC was not merely a review of past progress but a reaffirmation of the collective resolve to deepen cooperation and build a future of shared prosperity.

To conclude, it will be a tough test for Pakistan's Planning Commission and Ministry to change the prevailing mindset of the Chinese private sector toward investing in Pakistan without addressing the IPP repayment, safety and security issues that continue to undermine economic prospects. The government of Pakistan has informed the IMF that it will not pay Rs220 billion to Chinese IPPs as interest on delayed payments for purchased electricity and will instead seek a waiver from Beijing, which unfortunately has not yet been secured, causing further delays in CPEC Phase 2.0 implementation.

The proposed minutes of the recent JCC meeting state that "the two sides agreed to jointly maintain the stability of the electricity price policy for energy projects under CPEC, resolve disputes through friendly consultation and neither side shall seek to change the status quo through unilateral actions." Since 2017, Pakistan has paid Rs5.1 trillion to 18 Chinese power plants, covering 92.3% of billed amounts, including interest. Pakistani authorities estimate the actual remaining energy cost at Rs250 billion, with the rest comprising late payment surcharges.

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### **The Nation**

#### **CPEC reshaping Pakistan's economy, deepening regional links**

ISLAMABAD - The China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) is transforming Pakistan's development outlook and helping connect the region, speakers said at a seminar on Tuesday. The seminar, titled "Pakistan-China Relations: Regional Stability and Economic Prosperity," was organised by the China-Pakistan Study Centre at the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI) and the Pakistan Study Centre at Fudan University, China. ISSI Director General Ambassador Sohail Mahmood said Pakistan-China ties remain the cornerstone of Pakistan's foreign policy. He said the partnership, based on mutual trust and respect, has stayed firm despite regional and global challenges. He said CPEC had strengthened Pakistan's economic base and become a major driver of regional cooperation. He termed the China-Pakistan Action Plan (2025-2029) a forward-looking roadmap for working together in technology, green development, and digital innovation. Mahmood said China's peaceful rise had reshaped the global landscape and Pakistan fully supports President Xi Jinping's development and security initiatives. He proposed a China-South Asia Summit, similar to China-Central Asia and China-GCC dialogues, to promote broader regional cooperation. He added that the upcoming 75th anniversary of Pakistan-China diplomatic ties in 2026 would be an opportunity to set a new vision for the future. Additional Foreign Secretary (Asia-Pacific) Ambassador Imran Ahmed Siddiqui, the chief guest, said the next phase of CPEC would open new areas of collaboration, including artificial intelligence, biotechnology, renewable energy, and the digital economy. He said the initiative was in line with Pakistan's Economic Transformation Plan (URAAN) and would create new opportunities for sustainable growth. In a session on security cooperation, chaired by Ambassador Masood Khalid, participants discussed ways to build defence and security coordination. Adviser SPD Dr Zahir Kazmi suggested maritime safety networks and CPEC resilience exercises. Prof Wang Zhen from Shanghai said youth and education cooperation should complement defence



ties. Prof Huang Yunsong of Sichuan University called the China–Pakistan Action Plan a blueprint for future institutional linkages. He underlined the need to boost people-to-people contact through scholarships and training programmes. The session on economic cooperation, chaired by Ambassador Naghmana Hashmi, looked at ways to expand CPEC’s regional outreach. Dr Ashfaq Hassan Khan of NUST proposed establishing SAECO Plus (China) and linking CPEC with Afghanistan, Central Asia, Iran, and Azerbaijan. Dr Hassan Daud Butt of Bahria University said regional integration should move towards digital and renewable energy sectors. Chinese scholars Dr Wang Shida and Prof Zhang Jiegen highlighted potential in manufacturing and agriculture, while Dr Xie Chao of Fudan University said CPEC 2.0 should focus on smaller, community-based projects. Earlier, CPSC Director Dr Talat Shabbir welcomed participants, describing CPEC as a central pillar of Pakistan–China friendship.

<https://www.nation.com.pk/08-Oct-2025/cpec-reshaping-pakistan-s-economy-deepening-regional-links>

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دعوتِ حق بھارت کو طیارہ نہیں گرا، چینی ہتھیار تو قعاً پر پورا اترے

پاکستان بھارت کے ساتھ ہتھیاروں کی دوڑ میں شامل ہے نہ کبھی اعداد و شمار چھپانے کی کوشش کی، دفاعی اقدامات علاقائی استحکام کیلئے ہیں ہمارا دفاعی بجٹ بھارت کے مقابلے میں بہت کم ہے، ہمارے پاس لامحدود وسائل نہیں، ڈی جی آئی ایس پی آر کا انٹرویو

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**Business Recorder**

**Highway for trade with Western China and Afghanistan: NHA awards  
Rs282bn worth projects to FWO**

*Safdar Rasheed*

LAHORE: Pakistan's National Highway Authority (NHA) has awarded contracts worth over Rs 282 billion to the Frontier Works Organisation (FWO) to upgrade a strategic highway vital for trade with western China and Afghanistan.

The project will dualise and rehabilitate key sections of the 790-km National Highway 25 (N-25), an artery connecting the southern port of Karachi with the Chaman border crossing.

All sections are scheduled for completion within two years, according to official documents.

While not a direct part of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), the N-25 upgrade is considered essential for strengthening CPEC's western route and facilitating future trans-Afghan trade.

According to documents, the awarded contracts, cover several segments.

These include the 278-km Karachi-Khuzdar section and the 187-km stretch between Kararo and Chaman.

Strategically, the N-25 connects Pakistan's deep-sea ports with its northern land routes.

The city of Khuzdar serves as a critical junction linking the N-25 with the M-8 motorway, which extends westward to Gwadar Port, the centerpiece of the multi-billion dollar CPEC initiative.

The upgrades are expected to create an integrated transport network across Balochistan province, linking both Karachi and Gwadar ports.

The northern Kuchlak-Chaman section is a primary trade gateway to Afghanistan and Central Asia, a role expected to grow as Pakistan and China discuss extending CPEC into Afghanistan.

According to Gwadar Pro the project aligns with a new five-year

"Action Plan" announced after Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's recent visit to Beijing. The plan calls for transforming Gwadar Port into a regional connectivity hub and leveraging it for trade with Afghanistan and Central Asia.

<https://www.brecorder.com/news/40387077/highway-for-trade-with-western-china-and-afghanistan-nha-awards-rs282bn-worth-projects-to-fwo>

## **The News**

### **New port proposal to have implications: Chinese media**

*Rafique Mangat*

KARACHI: Chinese media, citing experts, has reported Pakistan's proposal to build a new port in Arabian Sea could have significant geopolitical, political and economic implications.

Deniel Markey, a senior fellow at Stimson Centre's South Asia and China programmes, said growing closeness between Pakistan and US President Donald Trump could help turn this proposal into reality.

According to him, Trump Administration favoured unconventional blends of public and private partnerships, which could increase chances of the project moving forward.

However, he cautioned Balochistan remains a remote and unstable region. He noted if past investments in Gwadar Port had been effective, the port would have developed by now, but persistent security concerns and weak infrastructure have held it back.

Markey added through this project, Pakistan seeks to forge closer ties with United States and escape diplomatic isolation.

Amit Ranjan, a research fellow at the National University of Singapore's Institute of South Asian Studies, said the port's location would be strategically important, as it would lie only 160 kilometres from Iran. According to him, this could make it attractive for US, as it would allow Washington to monitor developments in the region.

He further said the project would be a "major diplomatic test" for Pakistan, as Islamabad would have to maintain a delicate balance in its relations with both China and United States.

For China, he added, the plan could be a matter of concern.

Sreeradha Datta Pathak, a professor of international relations at India's O.P. Jindal Global University, said the US could support the project because it aligns with its strategic and economic interests. She noted US wants to diversify its supply chains away from China, and this initiative could be part of that broader strategy.

According to her, the new port could enhance Pakistan's export capacity and give US a new strategic foothold in Arabian Sea — potentially posing a challenge to India.

<https://www.thenews.com.pk/latest/1350592-new-port-proposal-to-have-implications-chinese-media>

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### **Global Times**

#### **World leaders extend congratulations on PRC's 76th founding anniversary**

Leaders from multiple countries have sent their congratulations on the occasion of the 76th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China. According to reports from RIA Novosti, a message posted on the Kremlin's website on October 1 stated that Russian President Vladimir Putin extended his congratulations to China on the 76th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China. Putin noted that China continues to advance steadily on the path of socioeconomic and technological development, consolidating its international standing and making significant contributions to addressing the most important issues on the global agenda. Putin also emphasized that Russia-China relations have reached an unprecedented high level, as fully demonstrated by the detailed and constructive talks held not long ago in Tianjin and Beijing. Kim Jong-un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message of greeting to the Chinese top leader, on October 1, according to KCNA. Over the past 76 years since the founding of new China, the Chinese people have achieved noticeable successes in the struggle for defending the sovereignty of the country and its territorial integrity and building a modern socialist state, resolutely weathering through all challenges and trials under the leadership of the CPC, Kim said, according to the report. The DPRK side has a willingness to make the joint efforts, together with the Chinese side, to further strengthen and develop the friendly and cooperative relations between the DPRK and China as required by the new era and in line with the aspirations and desire of the peoples of the two countries, and defend peace and stability in the region and the rest of the world through the close strategic communication and cooperation. President of Pakistan Asif Ali Zardari has extended his heartfelt congratulations to the people of China on the occasion of the 76th founding anniversary of the PRC. In his official message issued from the Presidency on Tuesday, President Zardari noted that the people of Pakistan join their Chinese brothers and sisters in celebrating this significant occasion, which he described as a testament to China's remarkable journey of progress, unity, and national advancement. General Secretary of the Communist Party of Vietnam (CPV) Central Committee To Lam and President of Vietnam Luong Cuong on Tuesday have sent congratulatory messages to the Chinese leader. In their messages, the Vietnamese leaders congratulated China on its significant achievements in socio-economic development, reform, and opening up over the past 76 years. They stressed that strengthening and advancing stable, healthy, friendly, and cooperative relations with China is always a strategic choice and a top priority in Vietnam's foreign policy of independence, self-reliance, and diversification and multilateralisation of external relations, according to the report. Cambodia also extended warm congratulations to Beijing on the 76th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China, emphasizing the longstanding friendship and strategic partnership between the two countries, Khmer Times reported. <https://www.globaltimes.cn/page/202510/1344876.shtml>

## **Xinhua News**

### **Pakistani children recovering from congenital heart defects celebrate Mid-Autumn Festival**

ISLAMABAD, Oct. 9 (Xinhua) -- Pakistani children recovering from congenital heart defects and their parents were invited to the Chinese Embassy in Pakistan to celebrate the Mid-Autumn Festival. Pakistan's First Lady Aseefa Bhutto Zardari attended the event.

In January, the medical experts' team led by Professor Pan Xiangbin of China's Fuwai Hospital performed free surgeries for eight children with congenital heart disease in Rawalpindi city of Punjab province.

At present, all the children are recovering well after surgery.

"I can run, jump, and play games with my friends now. I want to say thank you to Chinese doctors!" said Afrah Amir, an 8-year-old Pakistani girl with a smile on her face.

Chinese Ambassador to Pakistan Jiang Zaidong stated in his speech on Tuesday that the aid to Pakistan for the treatment of congenital heart disease is not only a vivid portrayal of the concept of "putting people and life first,"

but also a profound interpretation of the mutual assistance and community with a shared future between China and Pakistan.

Zardari expressed gratitude for the superb medical skills and selfless dedication of the Chinese medical team in her speech,

and expressed the hope that Pakistan and China will continue to work together to expand exchanges in fields including healthcare, women's wellbeing, education, and culture.

In his video speech, Pan said that as the attending physician, he was very pleased to see that the children he cured can become healthier with brighter smiles. In the future, the Chinese medical team will provide training for more Pakistani doctors, promote advanced medical technologies, and produce richer medical cooperation fruits between the two countries, he said.

At the event, the children and their parents noted that the treatment project carried out by Chinese medical experts has brought hope to their families and is a concrete manifestation of the people-to-people connection between

Pakistan and China. They hope that Chinese medical technology can benefit more patients with congenital heart disease and strengthen the ironclad friendship between Pakistan and China.

<https://english.news.cn/20251009/244e06548aee41c5b12b6d2c3faaefef/c.html>

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**People's Daily**

**Eight-point rules hailed as 'game changer'**

*Zhao Jia*

Foreign officials have commended China's eight-point decision, recognizing it not only as a code of conduct that promotes integrity and focuses on serving the people, but has also reshaped international perceptions of the Communist Party of China and set an example for clean governance worldwide.

The eight-point decision was adopted by the Party leadership in December 2012, days after Xi Jinping was elected as general secretary of the CPC Central Committee. It is a set of rules designed to address four deep-rooted, chronic bureaucratic issues, including official privileges and extravagant banquets.

Spelled out in just over 600 words, the eight-point decision established rules for Party leaders governing research tours, meetings, documentation and other official duties. It later expanded into a Party-wide initiative for all members to adopt its principles to improve governance conduct.

Over the past 13 years, Xi has on many occasions emphasized the need to fully implement the spirit of the eight-point decision on improving conduct and redouble efforts to strengthen Party building, stressing that the Party's conduct defines its image and shapes public support, and is vital to its survival.

According to official data, more than 225,000 cases of violations of rules were investigated nationwide in 2024 alone, and the eight-point decision has been hailed as a "game changer" in China's governance.

Houmed M'Saidie, political adviser to the president of Comoros, said the eight-point decision has helped to change how the CPC is perceived globally, as China's zero-tolerance stance on corruption offers lessons that many countries urgently need to learn. He described such governance practice as an encouraging model for other governments, including his own.

He added that anti-corruption measures and reforms have reinforced the CPC's bond with the people and strengthened its leadership and organizational capacity. "Under the leadership of President Xi, the Party is the engine of government and State structure. If we look at the results across many fields, we can see that the CPC is a great party," he said.

Abraao Vicente, a member of the National Assembly of Cabo Verde, former minister of the sea and former minister of culture and creative industries, highlighted the importance of transparency.

"Clean governance is essential to transparency and credibility," Vicente said, adding that China's experience shows that the fight against corruption can deliver tangible results.

Statistics have underlined China's determination in the fight against corruption. In 2024, disciplinary inspection and supervision agencies nationwide handled 2.175 million clues regarding problems, filed 877,000 cases and punished 889,000 people.

The African official noted that while corruption is a global challenge, Africa is often unfairly labeled as "corrupt". The key, he said, is for governments to constantly ask how they can better serve their people. The anti-corruption campaign led by President Xi, Vicente added, can be "more than an example" — it can also provide a model for tackling corruption across Africa.

"China's achievements over the past decade show that if we are committed to development, we have to respect the principles of open markets, government transparency, innovation, investment in education and youth development," Vicente said.

He added that, like China, Africa has a young and growing population, making education and skills training vital. "If Africa and China can build consensus on governance, they will become strong partners. We must learn more about China."

Shezra Mansab Ali Khan Kharal, Pakistan's minister of state for climate change and environmental coordination, called the eight-point decision "an important and profound" initiative.

"In most developing countries, we have found that corruption brings progress to a standstill. No real progress can be made because everything is undermined by corruption," she said.

"President Xi Jinping is strongly committed to reform and takes responsibility for its implementation. The CPC has undertaken major reforms under his leadership, and we can now see China's progress — poverty reduction, social reforms and economic advancement," she added.

Kharal was one of the participants in the Peking University Dongfang Scholarships Program in September, attending courses and visiting several provinces to observe China's reforms.

<https://en.people.cn/n3/2025/1009/c90000-20374775.html>

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**China Daily**

## **China rejects claims linking rare earths export controls to Pakistan**

*WANG QINGYUN*

China's latest export control measures on rare earths and related items have nothing to do with Pakistan, Foreign Ministry spokesman Lin Jian said on Monday.

Lin made the remarks at a regular news conference, dismissing reports that "Pakistan's export of rare earths to the United States triggered China's new export control measures". China and Pakistan have maintained communication over Pakistan's mining cooperation with the US, Lin said, adding that Pakistan has emphasized that its exchanges with the US will never harm



China's interests or China-Pakistan cooperation. The samples that the Pakistani leaders showed and gave to the US leader are gem ores purchased by staff in Pakistan, Lin said.

Such reports that linked China's tightening export control over rare earths and related items with Pakistan "either knew nothing about what had happened, or were shadow-chasing without any evidence, or even trying to drive a wedge between China and Pakistan," Lin said.

China's recently released export control measures on rare earths and related items are a legitimate action the Chinese government took to refine its own export control system according to laws and regulations, Lin said.

The measures aim to better safeguard world peace and regional stability and to fulfill non-proliferation and other international obligations, he said.

<https://www.chinadaily.com.cn/a/202510/13/WS68ece342a310f735438b4ba5.html>

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**China Daily**

### **Beijing stresses iron-clad friendship with Pakistan**

*WANG QINGYUN*

China's latest export control measures on rare earths and related items have nothing to do with Pakistan, China's Foreign Ministry spokesman Lin Jian said on Monday, stressing the "iron-clad" friendship between the two countries.

Lin made the remarks at a regular news conference, dismissing reports that "Pakistan's export of rare earths to the United States triggered China's new export control measures".

"China and Pakistan are all-weather strategic cooperative partners," he said, adding that the two countries have maintained close communication over major issues concerning both sides' shared interests.

China and Pakistan have also been in communication over Pakistan's mining cooperation with the US, Lin said. Pakistan has emphasized that its exchanges with the US will never harm China's interests or China-Pakistan cooperation, Lin said. China's Ministry of Commerce announced on Thursday new measures to tighten export control on rare earths and related items, including certain equipment and technologies. Dispelling rumors that linked the measures with Pakistan's sending mineral samples to the US, Lin said the samples that the Pakistani leaders showed and gave to the US leader are gem ores purchased by staff members in Pakistan. Dismissing related reports, Lin said they were "either misinformed or invented, or even designed to drive a wedge between China and Pakistan". China's export control measures on rare earths and related items are a legitimate action the government took to refine its own export control system according to laws and regulations, Lin said.

The measures aim to safeguard world peace and regional stability better, as well as to fulfill non-proliferation and other international obligations, he said.

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