



Introduction

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Pakistan-China relations are higher than Himalaya, deeper than Arabian Sea, stronger than steel, and sweeter than honey. The China Study Centre at the University of Peshawar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan was inaugurated on 17th October 2016 when H. E., Sun Weidong, the Ambassador of China to Pakistan visited the university of Peshawar.



VICE CHANCELLOR

MESSAGE

Pakistan and China relations are based on solid foundations. Pak-China cooperation has increased with passage of time in all fields including knowledge industry. The collaboration in higher education strengthened in the wake of Belt and Road Initiative (BRI).

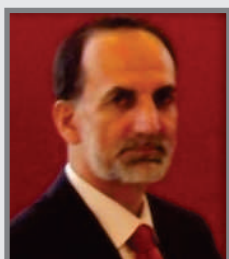
CPEC which is a mega project of BRI further galvanized academic cooperation in the institutions of higher learning between the two countries. The University of Peshawar, which is the oldest and most established university of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, is playing an important role in educating the youth of the province and the region at large. The establishment of China Study Centre at the University of Peshawar with financial and technical support of the Embassy of the People Republic of China, Islamabad will boost mutual understanding between the people of the two countries.

The China Study Centre is a Research Centre, which will conduct research on different aspects of China- Pakistan relations, and its related dynamics. The Centre will educate people of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan about Chinese culture, economy, political system, science and technology, and society.

On the other hand, it will disseminate information to Chinese people about Pakistan, its people, culture, socio-economic and political developments. The CSC newsletter is a worth appreciation effort and I wish CSC success in its endeavours to achieve its objectives.

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Asif Khan

Vice-Chancellor,
University of Peshawar



DIRECTOR

MESSAGE

I consider it an honour and privilege to be the pioneer Director of China Study Centre, University of Peshawar, which formally came into being on 17th October 2016. The Centre serves as a think tank that disseminates knowledge and foster research on matters of mutual interests between Pakistan and China.

In view of the support extended by the Embassy of the People's Republic of China, Islamabad, federal and provincial Governments, Higher Education Commission of Pakistan (HEC) and particularly the University of Peshawar, the Centre will hopefully become a significant milestone in enhancing collaboration between Pakistan and China in the domain of knowledge. Long Live Pak-China Friendship.

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VISION AND MISSION

The China Study Centre (CSC) endeavors to enrich understanding between China and Pakistan through research, learning, institutional linkages, and people to people contacts. The CSC strives to become an excellent centre in research, learning and service in the region on China by producing research as per highest international standard. To equip research scholars with analytical thinking, innovative research methodologies, effective verbal and written communication that is critical for their pursuing careers in Pak-China Studies in an increasingly globalized marketplace. The Centre will arrange talks by imminent scholars on contemporary issues in Pak-China relations such as China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), One Belt One Road (OBOR).



OBJECTIVES:

Main Objectives of the Centre are to:

- Promote research on Pak-China relations.
- Stimulate the study of Chinese language, history, culture, and civilization.
- Foster people to people contacts and strengthen regional integration.
- Explore more avenues of cooperation between the two countries.
- Make University of Peshawar a reservoir of information on China.
- High light the benefits of China and Pakistan Joint Projects like CPEC, OBOR for Pakistan, in general, and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, in particular.

China Study Centre Established in The University of Peshawar:

The establishment of China Study Centre at the University of Peshawar was materialized during the visit of Sun Weidong, Ambassador of the Republic of China to University of Peshawar. The Ambassador met the Vice Chancellor of the University and presented check to partner in the research on China in the Centre. The Centre would work under an independent director with the prime objective of encouraging and promoting research and Study on China. Besides the Centre would also play part in bridging and further strengthening the existing Pak-China people to people understanding and friendship.



China Study Centre (CSC) Space Inauguration Ceremony at UoP:

Prof. Dr. Mohammad Abid, Vice-Chancellor, University of Peshawar inaugurated the space allotted to China Study Centre at the third floor, Academic Block-II on 10th May, 2017.

A large number of the University faculty and students participated in the ceremony. Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, the Director of the China Study Centre (CSC) explained that the Centre will promote research on China and Pakistan, stimulate the study of Chinese Language, History, Culture, and explore further avenues to strengthen Pak-China ties



■ CSC inauguration ceremony at UOP



■ One Belt Forum Participants in Xian China



■ Pakistani Scholars in Forbidden City, Beijing, China

China Study Centre (CSC) First CPEC Conference:

A national conference on China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) was held in Peshawar University Peshawar on 28th February 2017 and was attended by vice chancellors from different universities and economic experts. The conference was organized by Peshawar University China



■ CSC first Conference on CPEC at UOP

Study Cell to highlight KP universities' role in the mega project and remove various reservations raised on the CPEC projects. Different universities vice chancellors and researchers presented their research work on different projects including to minerals, roads, railway lines and other facilities related to CPEC. On the occasion, China Study Cell Coordinator Dr. Zahid Anwar said that CPEC would bring economic development to the region. He said that projects presented by experts would be sent to provincial and federal government to make realize the lofty dreams related to CPEC.

Visit to China Embassy Islamabad

Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director (Coordinator) of the China Study Cell/Centre visited China Embassy Islamabad and met Bao Zhong, Media Officer thanked the Embassy for supporting the China Study Centre and discussed ways and means to promote research on issues of mutual interest. On the Occasion Ms Bao Zhong presented to Prof. Zahid, President Xi Jinping Book on the Political System of China (Urdu translation)



PRESENTATION IN CIIS SYMPOSIUM

China Institute of International Studies (CIIS) organized an international symposium on deepening practical cooperation among China, Afghanistan,

and Pakistan on 18th April 2017 at CIIS, Beijing, China. Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar presented his paper in the symposium.

Participation in KP-Beijing Trade Roadshow:

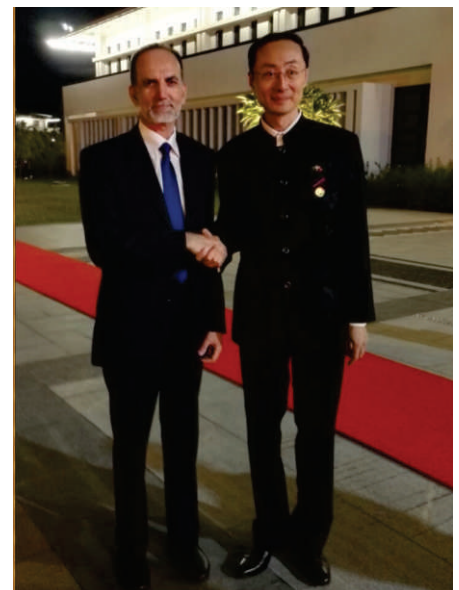
Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) led a delegation comprised of a large number of delegates in April 2017 to Beijing, China to attract Chinese investors for investment in different proposed projects in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. It also included Mr. Mushtaq Ghani, Education Minister, Special Secretary HED, and Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director, China Study Centre, University of Peshawar. Higher Education Department (HED) signed several MOUs with Chinese institutions of Higher learning.



H. E. Masood Khalid, Pakistan Ambassador to China, Beijing



KP-CPEC-roadshow Beijing April 2017



H. E. Sun Weidong China Ambassador to Pakistan Islamabad

VICE-CHANCELLOR AND DIRECTOR VISIT TO XIAN, CHINA:

Silk Road Education Cooperation Fair was held in Northwest University Xian, China on 4th June 2017. Vice-Chancellors from many countries participated in the fair. Prof. Dr. Mohammad Abid signed MOU with North West University. Under the MOU academic collaboration, joint research projects, faculty and student exchanges between the two universities will take place



■ Meeting of the officials of University of Peshawar and Northwest University Xian China 5th June 2017

CSC SECOND CPEC CONFERENCE



■ CSC second conference on CPEC - 14.10.16 at UOP

A national conference on China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) was held in Peshawar University Peshawar on 10th August 2017. Scholars from Pakistan and abroad discussed the opportunities and challenges of CPEC mega project.

MOU BETWEEN XIDIAN UNIVERSITY AND UOP

MOU between University of Peshawar and Xidian University, Xian, China was signed on 19 September 2017 with the coordination of China Study Centre.



■ MOU between Xidian University and UOP at Xian

SEMINAR PARTICIPATION IN ISLAMABAD

Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director of the China Study Centre visited Islamabad and participated in a seminar on 3rd May 2017 jointly organized by China Embassy Islamabad and Pakistan-China Institute Islamabad on, "One Belt One Road Initiative".



MOU WITH NORTHWEST UNIVERSITY

MOU between Northwest University Xian, China and University of Peshawar, Peshawar, Pakistan was signed 4th June 2017 due to the efforts of Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director, China Study Centre, University of Peshawar.



PARTICIPATION IN FOUNDING CEREMONY

Prof Dr Zahid Anwar, Director China Study centre, University of Peshawar participated in the Founding Ceremony of the New Silk Road Universities Students Alliance at Xidian University, Xian China 23 September 2017

CHINA STUDY CENTRE (CSC) WEBSITE

Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director, China Study centre, University of Peshawar initiated designing of CSC website which culminated in making CSC website which can be viewed on:

<http://www.uop.edu.pk/csc/gallery>

CHINESE DELEGATION FROM SHANGHAI UNIVERSITY MEETING

Meeting with Chinese delegation from Shanghai University at Shelton Rezidor hotel 22nd July 2017. Prof. Dr. Mohammad Abid, the honorable Vice-Chancellor, University of Peshawar and Coordinator, China Study Centre attended the seminar on "CPEC: Pakistan & China Cooperation in Higher Education" at Shelton hotel Peshawar. The meeting was attended by Shanghai University officials, Minister and Secretary Education Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government and many Vice-Chancellors of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Universities.

MOU WITH JIANGSU UNIVERSITY

MOU between Jiangsu University China and University of Peshawar, Peshawar, Pakistan was signed due to the efforts of Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director, China Study Centre, University of Peshawar.



SECOND ASIAN-AFRICAN YOUTH FESTIVAL

Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director (Coordinator), China Study Centre, University of Peshawar facilitated nominations for Second Asian-African Youth Festival in Beijing and Xi'an, China from 23 to 27 September, 2017. Two faculty members of the University of Peshawar participated in the said festival.

CHINA STUDY CENTRE FACEBOOK WEBSITE

For social media coverage about the academic and research activities of CSC Facebook website was opened.

<https://www.facebook.com/chinastudycentre>

Meeting With Executive Director CPEC-Think Tank, Islamabad



Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director China Study Centre (CSC) visited Islamabad on 16th August 2017 and held meeting with Dr. Shahid Rashid, Executive Director CPEC-Think Tank which works under Planning Commission of Pakistan, and discussed joint research projects, conferences. Meritorious Professor Dr. Amir Khan of the Think Tank was also present on the occasion and assured full support to Prof. Zahid Anwar in his worth appreciation efforts regarding China and CPEC.

MEETING WITH CHAIRMAN, PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON CPEC, ISLAMABAD

Prof(Tenured). Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director China Study Centre visited Islamabad on 17th August 2017 and held meeting with Senator Sayed Mushahid Hussain in his office at Parliament House, who is Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on CPEC as well as Chairperson of the Pakistan China Institute, Islamabad (PCI). The honorable Chairman appreciated the efforts of the CSC for promotion of research on China in the region. Prof. Zahid also discussed collaboration and joint research projects, conferences between CSC, Peshawar and PCI Islamabad.



SANGAM GALA AND MEETING WITH CHINA AMBASSADOR IN ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN

The China Embassy Islamabad invited Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar to participate in Sangam Gala 2017 on 9th September 2017 organized by the Embassy. Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar participated in the Sangam Gala and met H.E. the Ambassador and the Minister Counselor.



SEMINAR ON POST-CPEC PAKISTAN

A seminar on POST-CPEC PAKISTAN was jointly organized by Department of Islamic Studies and the Triumphant organization on 25 October. In the seminar Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, the Director of the China Study centre presented his paper on CPEC with focus on different CPEC projects in Pakistan.



Scholars with Chairman Islamic Ideological Council in a seminar on Post-CPEC Pakistan at Department of Islamic Studies UOP

Chinese Delegation Visits University of Peshawar

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Asif, Vice-Chancellor, University of Peshawar chaired a meeting held 14th November 2017 with visiting Chinese delegation from Northwest University, Xian China for the establishment of Confucius Institute at the University of Peshawar. Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director, China Study Centre briefed the officials on hitherto development. Prof. Wang Jianxin, the leader of the Chinese delegation along with Dr Li Tao and Mr. Dong Shibin discussed the prospects of joint projects in

Arts, Humanities, social, natural, life and numerical sciences. Under One Belt One Road Initiative and CPEC, the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government held a roadshow in Beijing in April 2017 and in its wake the two Universities signed an MOU on collaboration in higher education. Dr. Zahid Gul, Registrar University of Peshawar, Aisha Salman, Treasurer, Ishtiaqullah Khan, Director & Athar Bangash Deputy Director, Planning and Development, and Mr. Aziz Gul Chief Security Officer, University of Peshawar

actively participated in the comprehensive discussion on different dimensions of cooperation between the two Universities. The Chinese delegates also visited China Study Centre, Pakistan Study Centre, Area Study Centre, Department of Regional Studies, and National Centre of Excellence in Geology.



Chinese Delegation Visits UoP to establish Confucius Institute

PARTICIPATION IN 4TH SEMINAR ON SOUTH ASIA AND PAKISTAN AND CHINA RELATIONS JOINTLY ORGANIZED BY CHINA EMBASSY ISLAMABAD AND CIIS

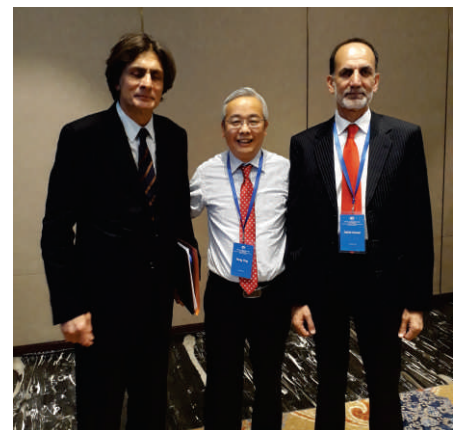
Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director China Study Centre, University of Peshawar presented his paper on, "COUNTERING TERRORISM THROUGH SPEC IN THE REGION" in the above mentioned 4th seminar on 14th December 2017 at China Institute of International Studies (CIIS) Beijing, China.



International Seminar at CIIS - 14.12.2017 Beijing China

SEMINAR PRESENTATION ON BELT AND ROAD INITIATIVE

Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director China Study Centre, University of Peshawar delivered a seminar on, "BELT AND ROAD INITIATIVE AND PAKISTAN AND CHINA RELATIONS" on 21st December 2017 at China Study Centre many students and faculty attended the seminar.



Dr Rong Ying Vice-President CIIS, Beijing 14 December 2017

MEDIA PROGRAMS

Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar, Director China Study Centre was invited by different T.V. Channels particularly PTV and Radio Pakistan as an expert on China Pakistan Relations, OBOR and CPEC.



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