

# IPRI UPDATE

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#### **Summary**

Events: 5

**Research & Publications:** 6 newspaper articles, and 2 Analytics & Projection Memos.

Digital: 13 infographics.

#### **Key Accomplishments:**

- Social Media Views: 1.4 Million
- An international event was organized with Dr Homi Bhabha, Anne F. Rothenberg Professor of Humanities in English & Comparative Literature Departments at Harvard University, as the distinguished guest speaker.
- Islamabad Security Dialogue was one of the top trends for 5 days with more than 40,000 tweets and 90 Million global reach. It was covered by more than 60 newspapers, media and digital media agencies around the world.

#### **IPRI Webinar Series**

**Diplomacy in the Twenty-first Century** 

Date: March 10, 2021

Speakers:

- Mr Emran Akhtar, Advisor to the Foreign Minister on Public Diplomacy
- Mr Imran Ghazali, General Manager, Digital Media Wing of the Govt of Pakistan
- Mr Uzair Younas, Visiting Senior Policy Analyst for South Asia, United States Institute of Peace
- Ms Iqra Ashraf, Director, Strategic Communications, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Total attendants/views: 1800

### Distinguished Lecture Series

Changing Global Society: Post-Colonial World Order Date: March 24, 2021

Speakers:

- Distinguished Guest Speaker: Dr Homi Bhabha, Anne F.
   Rothenberg Professor of Humanities in English & Comparative Literature Departments at Harvard University.
- Discussants:
  - 1. Dr Meera Sabaratnam, Senior Lecturer, SOAS
  - **2. Dr Ahmar Mahboob**, Associate Professor, University of Sydney
  - **3. Mr Zarrar Khuhro**, Pakistani journalist, TV show host and columnist
- Moderator:

**Dr Hussain Nadim**, Executive Director, IPRI **Total attendants/views:** 2700

#### IPRI's Expert Advisory Group Meeting

IPRI's Expert Advisory Group on national security held a review meeting on Islamabad Security Dialogue. New policy input mechanisms were also discussed.

Date: March 25, 2021

#### **Islamabad Security Dialogue**

National Security Division of Pakistan along with its advisory board of think tanks including IPRI, hosted the first ever Islamabad Security Dialogue. Islamabad Security Dialogue is Pakistan's premier forum that aims to bring together global and local intelligentsia to generate ideas shaping the future.

Date: 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

Key Features and Impact Assessment:



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#### **IPRI Publications**

#### **IPRI Scholars' Opinion Articles:**

#### Brig. (R) Raashid Wali Janjua Director Research

- 1."The Responsible Withdrawal" Pakistan Observer
- 2. "A New Security Paradigm"

  The News

#### Ambassador (R) Asif Durrani Senior Research Fellow

"Analysing the Ceasefire"
The News

#### Muhammad Nawaz Khan Research Associate

"Challenge of Growing Threats of Climate Change" Daily Times

#### Amna Ejaz Research Associate

"Political Unrest in Myanmar" Pakistan Observer

#### Gulshan bibi Research Associate

"Cutting Distances with a Cricket Stump" Modern Diplomacy

#### Adeel Mukhtar Mirza Assistant Research Associate

"Climate Change and Pakistan's Water Security" Global Village Space

#### Roundtable on Dissecting Pakistan's Counter-Terrorism Approach



Date: March 4, 2021

#### **Esteemed panel of experts:**

- •Mr Ihsan Ghani, former National Coordinator NACTA
- Mr M Amir Rana, Director, Pak Institute for Peace Studies
- •Lt General (R) Naeem Lodhi
- Mr Imtiaz Gul, Executive Director, Center for Research & Security Studies
- •**Dr Khurram Iqbal**, HOD of Department of International Relations, National Defence University

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#### **Digital and Communications**

#### **Impact Assessment:**

- 1.4 Million views, 87,000 profile visits, 4,320 mentions and Twitter followers increased to 13,200.
- Islamabad Security Dialogue was one of the top trends for 5 days with more than 40,000 tweets and 90 Million global reach. It was covered by more than 60 newspapers, media and digital media agencies.
- Global Partnerships: Harvard University, United States Institute of Peace, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Digital Media Wing of the Govt of Pakistan, SOAS, and University of Sydney.

#### **IPRI on TV:**

**Ambassador (R) Asif Durrani**, Senior Research Fellow, IPRI, was part of 4 panel discussions during the month of March, appearing on PTV World and Indus News.

He shared his views on U.S. proposal to accelerate the peace process in Afghanistan, and India's Foreign Policy challenges. India and Pakistan agreeing to put an end to all ceasefire violations along the Line of Control (LoC) was also discussed.

#### **Policy Beats:**

The latest episodes of Policy Beats featured **Dr Moeed Yusuf**, Special Assistant to PM on National Security Division and Strategic Policy Planning, who spoke about strategic policy planning, Pakistan's foreign policy and the Islamabad Security Dialogue.

