

# IPRI UPDATE

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## **Summary**

**Events:** 1 Seminar, 2 Webinars and 3 Roundtables **Research & Publications:** 9 newspaper articles, 14 Policy Briefs, and 1 Analytics & Projection Memos.

**Digital:** 11 infographics.

#### **Key Accomplishments:**

- Partnership with Ministry of Law and Justice for integration of Data Analytics & StratComm to implement Anti-Rape (Investigation & Trial) Ordinance, 2020.
- An international event was organized with **Dr Seyyed Hossein Nasr**, Islamic Philosopher and Professor of Islamic Studies at George Washington University.
- Social Media Views: 3.2 Million
- Global Partnerships: Ministry of Law and Justice; Central European University, Austria; George Washington University; Institute of Strategic Thinking, Turkey; University of Karachi; Southwestern University of Politics and Law, China; Institute for Political and International Studies; and Plekhanov Russian University of Economics, Iran.

## Seminar

The Role of Armed Forces in National Development & Its Impact on Civil-Military Relations Date: 15 July 2021



**Speakers:** 

- •**Mr. Kirill Shamiev**, Ph.D Candidate, Central European University, Austria
- •Lt. Gen. (R) Agus Widjojo, Governor, Lemhannas R.I., Indonesia
- •Maj. Gen. (R) Gűray Alpar, Associate Professor, Institute of Strategic Thinking, Turkey
- •Brig (R) Raashid Wali Janjua, Acting President, IPRI
- **Dr. Moonis Ahmar**, Meritorious Professor, University of Karachi, Pakistan

The event was Chaired by Lt. Gen. (R) Naeem Khalid Lodhi HI (M).

Total attendants/ views: 1,200

## **Distinguished Lecture Series**

Topic: Science, Mysticism and the Future of the Muslim World

Date: 30 July 2021

**Distinguished Guest Speaker: Dr Seyyed Hossein Nasr**, Islamic Philosopher and Professor of Islamic Studies at George Washington University.

#### **Discussants:**

**Dr Ejaz Akram**, Professor of Religion & Politics, Southwestern University of Politics and Law, China.

#### Moderator:

**Dr. Hussain Nadim**, Executive Director (C&R), IPRI

Total attendants/ views: 1,616

## Meeting with Parliamentary Secretary for Law and Justice

A meeting was held with **Barrister Malika Bokhari** to discuss partnership with Ministry of Law and Justice for integration of data analytics & strategic communications to implement Anti-Rape (Investigation & Trial) Ordinance, 2020. IPRI will also be providing capacity building to the ministry in technical areas.

#### **IPRI Trainings** Training for diplomats

#### IPPI delivered a training

IPRI delivered a training session at Foreign Services Academy on "National Security in the Age of Uncertainty" as part of its joint initiative with Ministry of Foreign Affairs, & Digital Media Wing, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, for capacity building in strategic communications.

## Training for academics/ students from all across Pakistan and abroad

As part of IPRI's public outreach and special trainings initiative, a special lecture on Afghanistan was arranged for the subscribers of its WhatsApp Broadcast List.



## IPRI Roundtable Series on Afghanistan

IPRI hosted 3 roundtables with journalists, diplomatic community and experts to discuss the current situation in Afghanistan and its implications on the region. The roundtables were held under the Chatham House Rule. **Guests:** 

- •Mr. Gibran Naiyyar Peshimam, Pakistan Bureau Chief, Reuters
- **Ms. Ayesha Tanzeem**, Pakistan-Afghanistan Bureau Chief, Voice of America
- Mr. Saeed Shah, reporter, Wall Street Journal
- **Dr. Maleha Lodhi**, former Pakistan's Ambassador to the United States
- Mr. Kamal Alam, Visiting Fellow at the Royal United Services Institute
- Ambassador (R) Riffat Masood
- Mr. Samuel Raff, First Secretary, British High Commission
- Mr. Alexander Razgulyaev Second Secretary, Embassy of Russia
- Lt Gen (R) Naeem Lodhi
- **Mr Imtiaz Gul**, Executive Director, Center for Research and Security Studies
- Lt Gen (R) Amir Riaz
- Ambassador (R) Ayaz Wazeer
- Ambassador (R) Abrar Hussain
- Ambassador (R) Aziz Khan
- Professor Shabbir Ahmad Khan

## **IPRI Webinar Series**

Power Vacuum in Afghanistan: Scenarios Post US Withdrawal Date: 8 July 2021 Speakers:

- **Mr Mirwais Yasini**, Deputy Speaker, Lower House of the Afghan Parliament
- Ambassador (R) Rifaat Masood, former Ambassador of Pakistan
- **Dr Georgi Asatryan**, Research Fellow, Plekhanov Russian University of Economics
- Ambassador (R) Anne W. Patterson, former US Ambassador to Pakistan
- Ambassador (R) Ibrahimkhani, Senior Research Fellow, Institute for Political and International Studies, Iran. Total attendants/ views: 2,100

## Launch of IPRI Interactive: Suicide Bombings in Pakistan (1995-2020)

As part of datafication drive for policy, IPRI launched a customized dashboard visualizing the data on suicide bombings in Pakistan from 1995 - 2020.

View the dashboard < https://interactive. ipripak.org/2021/07/12542/>

#### <u>Journal:</u>

IPRI Journal 2021 Volume XXI, Issue No. 1

#### **Policy Brief:**

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

 "Changing Security Environment in Balochistan"
"U.N. Security Council Reform"

#### **Dr Khurrum Shahzad Mughal Senior Research Fellow** "International Financial Institutions"

#### Khalid Chandio Research Fellow

- 1. "Quantifying Influence of Lobbying Firms in US"
- 2. "Role of Staffers in US Policy Making Process"

#### Muhammad Nawaz Khan Research Associate

"Need for Establishment of Commercial Courts for Investment Related Dispute Settlements"

#### Dr. Khurram Abbas Research Associate

- 1. "Iran-Saudi Rapprochement: Impact on Pakistan"
- 2. "Indian Unilateral Actions Carried Out in IIOJK and Pakistan's Response"

#### **Umar Farooq Khan Assistant Research Associate** "UK's Defence Command Paper

2021: Lessons for Pakistan"

## New Publication: IPRI Journal Vol. XXI, No.1



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## **IPRI Publications**

#### Amna Ejaz Rafi Research Associate

- 1."Contours of EU Indo-Pacific Strategy: Challenges and Opportunities for Pakistan"
- 2. "Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)"

#### Maheen Ahmed

Assistant Research Associate "Prospects of Conflict Resolution in the midst of Ceasefire Violations on the Line of Control"

#### Adeel Mukhtar Mirza

Assistant Research Associate "Pakistan and Central Asia: Emerging Scenario"

#### Hamza Rifaat Hussain

Assistant Research Associate "Emerging Profile of Hindutva in the United States"

#### IPRI Scholars' Opinion Articles: Brig. (R) Raashid Wali Janjua Acting President

1. "A Win-Win Formula" *The News* 2. "Lalik Jan's Martyrdom"

The Nation

## Ambassador (R) Asif Durrani

Senior Research Fellow "Can India be a Partner in Afghanistan?" *The News* 

#### Muhammad Nawaz Khan

**Research Associate** "Afghanistan's Bumpy Road to Peace" *Balochistan Times* 

#### Hamza Rifaat Hussain

**Assistant Research Associate** 

- 1."China's Belt & Road Diplomacy across Asean"
  - USC Center on Public Diplomacy (CPD)
- 2."Biden's Paradoxical Approach to Military Presence" *The Truth International*

#### Ishtiaq Ali Mehkri Assistant Editor

- 1. "Balochistan is Backbone, Not a Backwater" Express Tribune
- 2. "Let There be Unbridled Growth" Defence Journal
- 3. "Dealing with the Dacoits" Truth International

### **Digital and Communications**

- 3.2 Million views, 122,000 profile visits, and 4,400 mentions. Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn followers increased to 23,300, 52,000 and 22,000, respectively.
- **Global Partnerships:** Ministry of Law and Justice; Central European University, Austria; George Washington University; Institute of Strategic Thinking, Turkey; University of Karachi; Southwestern University of Politics and Law, China; Institute for Political and International Studies; and Plekhanov Russian University of Economics, Iran.

#### **IPRI on Television**

- In interviews to **Dr Moeed Pirzada** (92 News Special Transmission) and **Syed Muzamil Hasan Zaidi** (Thought Behind Things), **Dr Hussain Nadim**, Executive Director (C&R), spoke about US-Pak relations and the US war in Afghanistan.
- Brig (R) Raashid Wali Janjua, Acting President, IPRI, was part of a panel discussion on PTV World. He spoke about US withdrawal from Afghanistan & policy options for Pakistan.
- Ambassador (R) Asif Durrani, Senior Research Fellow, IPRI, was part of 5 panel discussions during the month of July.

#### **Policy Beats:**

The latest episode of Policy Beats featured Special Assistant to the Prime Minister on Finance and Revenue, **Dr. Wagar Masood Khan**.

#### **IPRI's Special Afghan Transmission**

Episodes of IPRI's Special Afghan Transmission featured Ambassador (R) Asif Durrani, Ambassador (R) Rifaat Masood, and General (R) Ehsan ul Haq.