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GOAL 16: PEACE JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

Goal 16 is about promoting peaceful and inclusive societies, providing access to justice for all and building effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels. People everywhere should be free of fear from all forms of violence and feel safe as they go about their lives whatever their ethnicity, faith or sexual orientation.

However, ongoing and new violent conflicts around the world are derailing the global path to peace and achievement of Goal 16. Alarmingly, the year 2022 witnessed a more than 50 per cent increase in conflict-related civilian deaths – the first since the adoption of Agenda 2030 – largely due to the war in Ukraine.

High levels of armed violence and insecurity have a destructive impact on a country's development, while sexual violence, crime, exploitation and torture are prevalent where there is conflict or no rule of law, and countries must take measures to protect those who are most at risk.

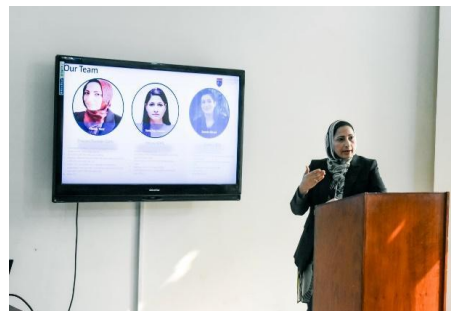
Governments, civil society and communities need to work together to find lasting solutions to conflict and insecurity. Strengthening the rule of law and promoting human rights is key to this process, as is reducing the flow of illicit arms, combating corruption, and ensuring inclusive participation at all times

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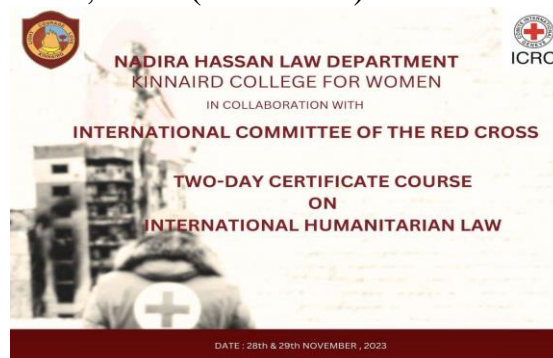
Digital Dispute Resolution.

The Law Department organized a lecture with Ms. Sara Tarrar (Digital Dispute Resolution Specialist) on 03.11.2023 on the basics of alternative dispute resolution mechanisms, especially mediation as an essential forum for dispute resolution (NB 37).



Two- Day Certificate Course on International Humanitarian Law

The Law Department organized a Two- Day Certificate Course on International Humanitarian Law in collaboration with International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) on 28-29 November, 2023 (VC Room).



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Paving the Path- Transforming ADR in Pakistan

The Law Department organized a seminar titled ‘Paving the Path- Transforming ADR in Pakistan’ on the future of Alternative Dispute Resolution in Pakistan on 19.09.2024. The guest speakers included Dr. Jo Chitlik, LL.M, esq., a renowned expert in ADR and a Fulbright Specialist, and Sibah Farooq, an international lawyer.



“Kashmir Black Day” 27 Oct, 2024 at Eric Messy Hall

The History and Political Science Club with the collaboration of ORIC organized a “Kashmir Black Day” event at Kinnaird College to commemorate the sad incidence of Indian forces’ intrusion into valley on 27th October, 1947. The program featured a recitation, speeches by students on human rights, a Kashmiri song performance, and an in-depth lecture. Small group discussions were also held to deepen students understanding of the escalated conflict.



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Defense Day 06 Sep, 2024

On this Defense Day, Political science department & IR department with ORIC on September, 06 2024 at Hladia Hall paid tribute to the great martyrs for defending this land with their lives. The event was held in collaboration with the Pakistan Naval War College.



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ACP Project

Students of Food Science and Human Nutrition imparted knowledge among children about good or bad touch , how to behae with strangers as a part of their ACP project



The Workshop on Capacity Building Workshop (Faculty Development Plan) on 30-05-2024, attended by:

- Dr. Kiran Karamat
- Ms. Sadia Safir Tarrar
- Ms. Amna Waheeda
- Dr. Maira Qaddos
- Ms. Sidra Arif

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⚡. A Capacity Building Workshop- (Faculty Development Plan)

Sl.No	Name	Designation	Department
1.	Dr. Kuran Karamat	Assistant Professor	Media Studies
2.	Dr. Maira Qaddos (PG)	Assistant Professor	Media Studies
3.	Anna Waheeda	Lecturer	Media Studies
4.	Sidra Arif	Lecturer	Media Studies
5.	Dr. Kalsoom Akhtar	Associate Professor	Statistics
6.	Dr. Saleha Naghmi Habibullah (Rt.)	Professor	Statistics
7.	Dr. Naila Alam	Assistant Professor	Statistics
8.	Fatima Jamil	Lecturer	Statistics
9.	Tooba Khan	Lecturer	Statistics
10.	Shaista Shumada	Lecturer	Statistics
11.	Dr. Sheeba Alam	Associate Professor	Urdu
12.	Dr. Elizabeth Shad	Associate Professor	Urdu
13.	Misbah Tajammal	Assistant Professor	Urdu
14.	Dr. Shazia Sajid Sulehri	Assistant Professor	Urdu
15.	Dr. Faiza Butt	Assistant Professor	Urdu
16.	Bushra Sheereen	Assistant Professor	Urdu
17.	Dr. Tahira Siddiq	Assistant Professor	Urdu
18.	Dr. Sarah Sarfraz	Assistant Professor	Urdu
19.	Dr. Humera Majid	Senior Lecturer	Urdu

3 Days Peace Journalism

Ms. Sidra Arif participated in 3 Days Peace Journalism Workshop (24-Oct-23 to 26-Oct-23) in FCCU



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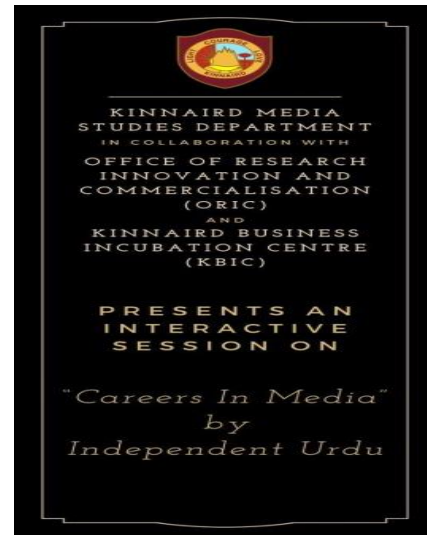
Theater in the Digital Age: Challenges and Audiences viewing experiences

Dr. Kiran Karamat Published an Article in 2023, Titled as: Theater in the Digital Age: Challenges and Audiences viewing experiences



Interactive session on Challenges in Journalism by Independent Urdu

Media Studies Department organized An Interactive session on Challenges in Journalism by Independent Urdu in Collaboration with ORIC & KBIC on 26-Sep-2024.



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A Colossal Irony

Dr. Maira Qddos Published a Research Article on A Colossal Irony: Exploring the role of Media During Fall of Dhaka 1971 in 2024.



Develop effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels.

Leadership Role in Quality Assurance

Attended international seminar on 'Leadership Role in Quality Assurance, by Dr James R Appleton, University of Redlands by Forman Christian College on February 15, 2024

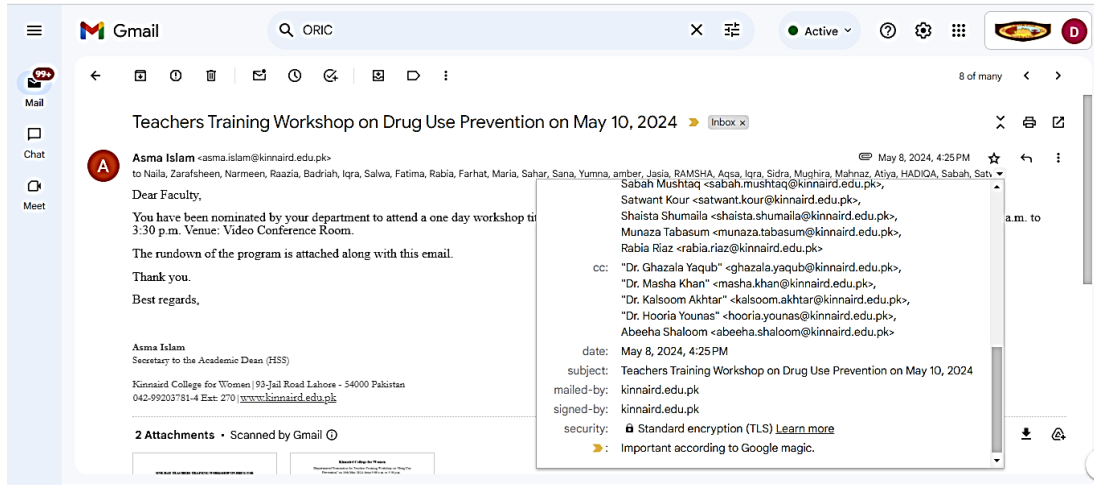


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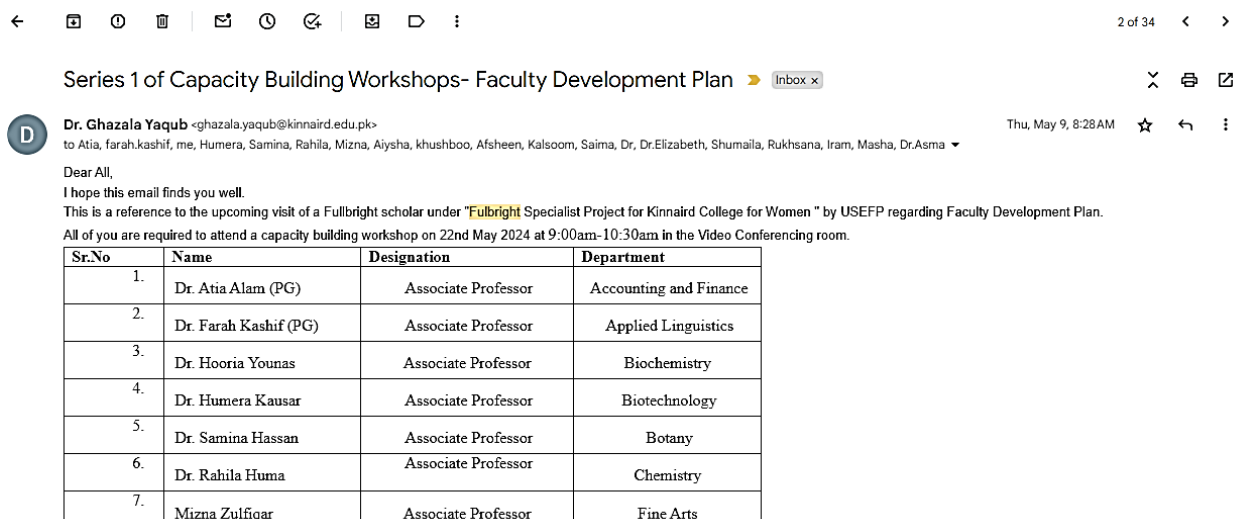
Drug Use Prevention

Teachers Training Workshop on Drug Use Prevention. Kinnaird College for Women, Lahore. 10th May 2024



Fullbright Scholar

Attended a Capacity Building Workshops- Faculty Development Plan by Ms Shaz Akram, Fullbright scholar, at Kinnaird College for Women Lahore on 22nd May 2024



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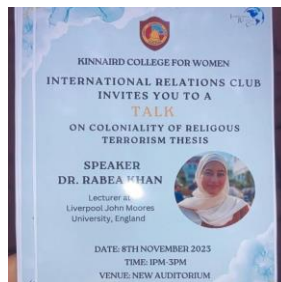
Future of Democracy in Pakistan and Rise of Populism

Paper presentation in 4th International Conference organized by Islamia University Bahawalpur “Future of Democracy in Pakistan and Rise of Populism in 21st Century”



Coloniality of Religious Terrorism Studies

International Relations Club organized Talk on ‘Coloniality of Religious Terrorism Studies’ on 8th November, 2023.



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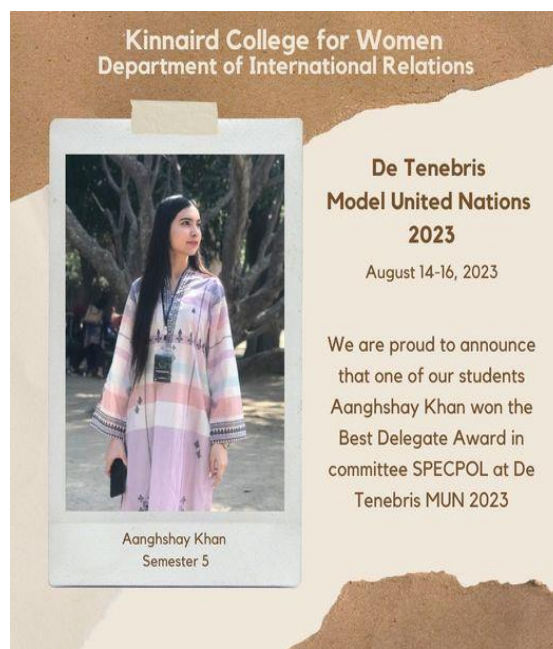
Next step towards US-Pakistan Relations

The Department of IR held a talk on “Next step towards US-Pakistan Relations” by Michael Kugelman, Director of the South Asia Institute.



Special Political and Decolonization Committee (SPECPOL)

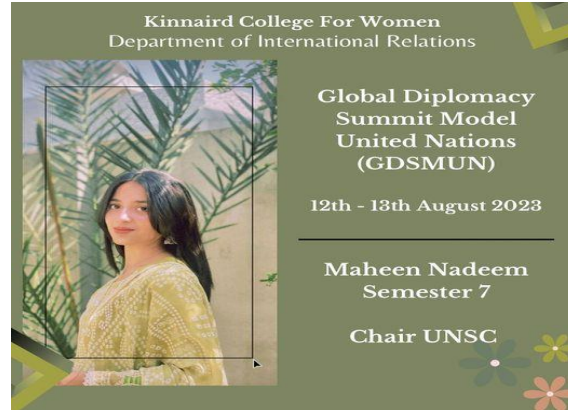
Aangshay Khan, a Semester 5 student, achieved the Best Delegate award in the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (SPECPOL) at De Tenebris Model United Nations (DTMUN), held online from 14th-16th August 2023 by Turkish diplomats.



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Global Diplomacy Summit, GDSMUN

Maheen Nadeem, a Semester 7 student, served as Co-Chair for the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) at the Global Diplomacy Summit, GDSMUN I, held virtually on August 12-13, 2023



Youth Leadership Parliament (YLP)

Students actively participated in the Youth Leadership Parliament (YLP) at the University of Central Punjab (16th-17th June 2023). Farah Haque won Best Delegate (Standing Committee on Development), while Meherunisa Khan and Sareena Asrar received Outstanding Diplomacy in the Standing Committees on Foreign Affairs and Legal Affairs, respectively. Aleena Ayaz Khan earned a Special Mention in the Pakistan National Assembly.



Fast Nuces Model United Nations

Students excelled at the Fast Nuces Model United Nations (16th-17th June 2023), with Aangshay Khan securing Outstanding Diplomacy at DISEC, Alishba Fatima earning an Honourable Mention, and Imanish Asif receiving a Special Mention.

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TIMUN 2.0

Students represented Kinnaird College at TIMUN 2.0 (27th September - 1st October 2023) held at the Services Institute of Medical Sciences (SIMS), where they achieved Runners-up Best Delegation honors. Key awards include Best Delegate for Farah Haq (SOCHUM) and Outstanding Diplomacy for Meherunisa Khan (UNHRC), Aqsa Fazilat and Zara Imtiaz (UNSC), and Noor ul Ain Khan Niazi (SOCHUM).



Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

Maheen Nadeem, a Semester 7 student, served as Chair for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) at GMUN, held at Lahore Grammar School Gujranwala from 27th to 29th October 2023.



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City School Model United Nations (CSMUN)

Mehrunisa Khan Tareen, a Semester 7 student, served as Assistant Committee Director for the Pakistan National Assembly at the City School Model United Nations (CSMUN) from October 27th to 29th, 2023



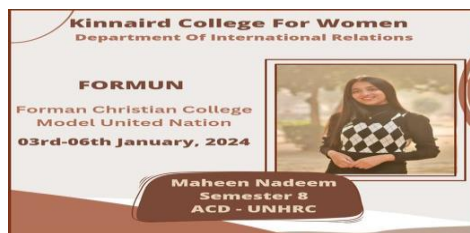
UCPMUN

Students participated in UCPMUN VII (13th-15th October 2023) at the University of Central Punjab. Maheen Nadeem (Semester 7) served as Assistant Committee Director (UNHRC), and Fatima Qasair (Intermediate Part II) earned Special Mention (PNA). Other participants included Nibras Butt (UNGA), Sania Noor (Crisis), and Hania Fawad (UNHCR).



United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) at FORMUN.

Maheen Nadeem from Semester 8 served as the Assistant Committee Director for the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) at FORMUN. The event was held at Forman Christian College and University from January 3rd to January 6th, 2024

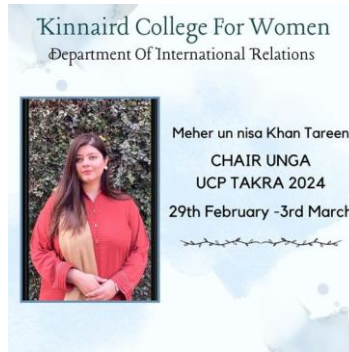


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Chair for the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)

Mehr-un-nisa Khan Tareen from Semester 8 served as Chair for the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) at UCP TAKRA. The Model United Nations Simulation Conference was held at University of Central Punjab from 29th February to 3rd March 2024.



Global Leaders MUN (GLMUN)

At the Global Leaders MUN (GLMUN), held on June 13th-14th, 2024, Adan Arif (Semester 3) received an Honourable Mention and Zara Imtiaz (Semester 3) won a Special Mention in the International Criminal Court (ICC) Committee for their exceptional advocacy and diplomatic skills.



Honorable Mention at the Global Peace Symposium MUN (GPSMUN)

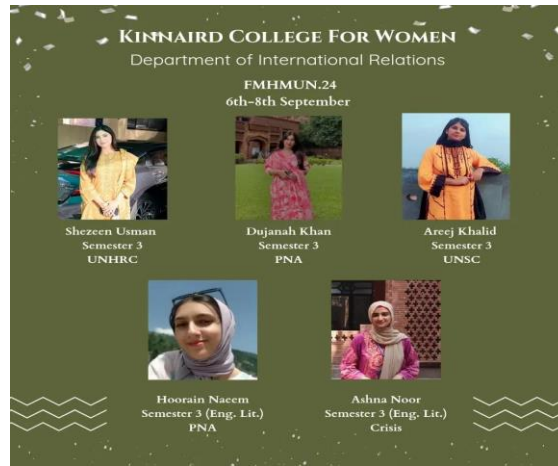
Alishba Fatima (Semester 5) achieved an Honorable Mention at the Global Peace Symposium MUN (GPSMUN) (13th-14th July 2024) for her exceptional skills in the Special Crisis Committee. She also earned an Honorable Mention at RIUMUN (28th-30th June 2024) for her outstanding performance in the United Nations Security Council (UNSC).



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FMH College of Medicine and Dentistry

At the event held from September 6-8, 2024 at FMH College of Medicine and Dentistry, Ghilman Fatima (Semester 7) earned an Honorable Mention in the Pakistan National Assembly (PNA), and Mahnoor Arshad (Semester 7) received a Special Mention in the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC). From Semester 3, Malaika Hassan Jathol achieved an Honorable Mention in the Crisis Committee, while Zara Imtiaz secured a Special Mention in the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC).



LMDCMUN

At LMDCMUN'24, held from September 20-22, 2024, at Lahore Medical and Dental College, Aqsa Fazilat and Khushi Naveed (Semester 5) received Special Mention awards, while Malaika Hussain (Semester 3) earned the Outstanding Diplomacy Award. Additionally, Areen (Semester 1) was awarded a Special Mention.

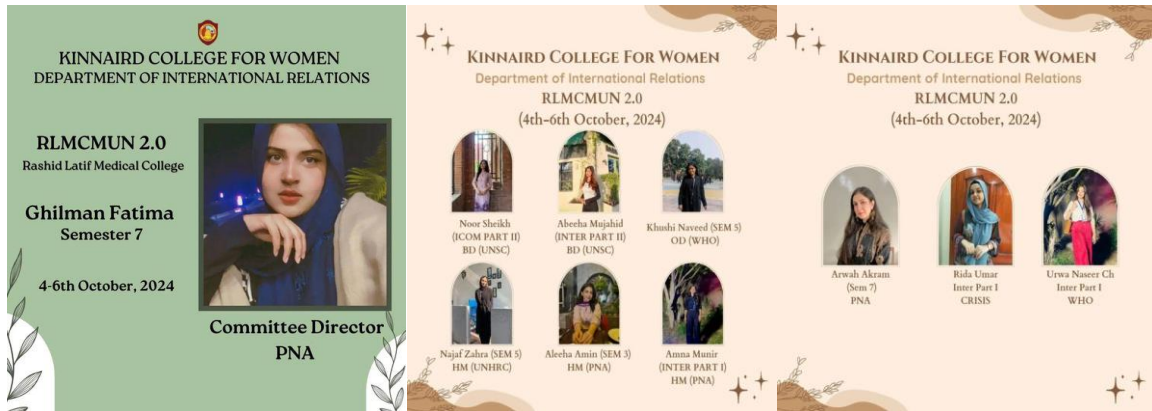


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RLMCMUN 2.0

RLMCMUN 2.0 (held from 4th to 6th October at Rashid Latif Medical College) saw exceptional performances from the students. Key achievements include:

- Khushi Naveed (Semester 5) for being awarded Outstanding Delegate in the World Health Organization (WHO)
- Najaf Zahra (Semester 5) for receiving Honorable Mention in the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC).
- Aleeha Amin (Semester 3) for securing Honorable Mention in the Pakistan National Assembly (PNA).



Civil-Military Discordance and The Political Culture of Pakistan; Dr. Asia Mukhtar Published & quot;Civil-Military Discordance and The Political Culture of Pakistan" in Pakistan Languages and Humanities Review, 8(2), 569–581 (2024).

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Civil-Military Discordance and The Political Culture of Pakistan

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Abstract

Throughout history, the relationship between civilian governments and military institutions has been debated. Scholars like Huntington emphasized division of powers, while Schiff advocated collaboration. Pakistan's weak democratic foundation has led to struggles between governmental power and public demands. Unique challenges, including conflict with India and historical inequities, have amplified the military's political role, particularly due to the Kashmir conflict. Recent events, like the 2014 protests, strained civil-military relations, exacerbated by social media. This article uses mixed methods to assess trust between civilians and the military and explores expert insights into civil-military relations. The main

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Dr Qudsia Akram Published "Decoding Operational Latitude of Russian Private Military Companies (PMCs): A Case Study of Wagner Group in Syria" in NUST Journal of International Peace & Stability, 7(2), 32–43 (2024).

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Abstract

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Keywords

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ABSTRACT

The withdrawal of United States (US) forces from Afghanistan marked a significant turning point in the country's security landscape. This research article investigates the subsequent operational latitude of the Islamic State Khorasan Province (ISIS-K) in Afghanistan following the US withdrawal. The research begins by providing an overview of ISIS-K's origins, highlighting its establishment as an affiliate of the global Islamic State (IS) organization in the Afghanistan-Pakistan region. The article then examines the factors that contributed to the group's rise and expansion, including its recruitment strategies, ideological appeal, and support from local grievances. Furthermore, it explores the complex relationship between ISIS-K and other militant groups operating in Afghanistan, such as the Taliban and Al-Qaeda. The study assesses the current capabilities and territorial control of ISIS-K, considering its operational tactics, funding mechanisms, and recruitment efforts. Additionally, it delves into the group's efforts to exploit social media and online platforms for propaganda and recruitment purposes, examining the role of social networks in sustaining and expanding its influence. Furthermore, the research article analyzes the broader implications of ISIS-K's resurgence on regional and international security. Overall, this research article provides valuable insights into the evolving landscape of ISIS-K in Afghanistan post-US withdrawal, shedding light on the complex dynamics of terrorism and

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ABSTRACT

This study evaluates the extent of Sino-India port politics in the Indian Ocean and its implications on the region. China, under the umbrella of BRI has started investing in ports of littoral Indian Ocean countries such as Pakistan, Myanmar, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Djibouti, Iran etc. India has been accusing China of encircling it through these projects. Since the commencement of BRI, Chinese and Indian presence has increased at key ports on major trade routes and surveillance points. The Indian national interests have been hurt by the Chinese investments in the port sector of Indian Ocean littoral countries. As counter measures, India has taken steps to revive its maritime policy, improve ties with global powers through QUAD alliance, foundational agreements with US, investments in ports of countries like Iran, Oman, Seychelles, Mauritius etc. and improving its navy and naval facilities. Sino Indian competition for resources and influence will have implications for the whole region. As the quest for energy increases between the two countries the economic interaction will also increase in the region as



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DYNAMICS OF INDO- JAPANESE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP AND ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR THE UNITED STATES

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Abstract

This article elaborates the relationship between India and Japan in the Indo-Pacific region and key events leading towards the strengthening of their political, security and socio-economic ties. It is imperative to say that United States wants a strong foothold in Indo-Pacific region to balance out its position in competition with China. This article demonstrates that Washington perceives China as a threat to its status of global power and to contain China, United States cannot come on front line to confront this threat. In this regard this article provides a contingency plan of India and Japan that is based on different military, political and socio-economic agreements. It is a comparative analysis of balance of power versus balance of threat, which if India and Japan will collaborate with each other with full throttle, will create a balancing effect within the region against China. This article draws analysis about the future of the dynamic relationship between Japan and India keeping in view that its implications for United States will change the face of future standing of changing regional and global politics.

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Abstract

The strategic landscape of the Asia-Pacific is now shaped by the competition between China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and the United States' Free and Open Indo-Pacific strategy. The Sino-U.S. strategic competition has greatly impacted the strategic outlook and foreign policies of middle powers in the region. This paper argues that the Asia-Pacific middle powers are functioning along the lines of omnidirectional hedging which is relatively a new concept in the IR discourse. Omnidirectional hedging entails maximisation of strategic space and avoiding entrapment in the great power rivalry through diplomatic, economic and security diversification. Through qualitative analysis, this research observes that the traditional middle powers – Japan, India, and Australia – are now largely focusing on multilateralism, unilateral alliances, free trade agreements, infrastructure investments, maritime security cooperation and new defence agreements. Such a foreign policy behaviour is paving way for a closely knitted middle-power network in the region to prevent great powers from engaging in direct confrontation which would threaten regional peace and stability.

Building Trust in Science

Dr. Faryal Chaudhry organized a Photography Competition on United Nations World Science Day for Peace and Development with Theme: “Building Trust in Science” SDG-16; Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions, under Kinnaird Science Club on 20th Nov, 2023 at Kinnaird College for Women, Lahore.

