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## Summary

**Events:** 3 Webinars

**Research & Publications:** 13 newspaper articles, 3 Policy Briefs, 2 Analytics & Projection Memos and 1 video explainer.

**Digital:** 12 infographics.

### Key Accomplishments:

- IPRI has started a WhatsApp broadcast list for reaching out to more audience. More than 1000 people have signed up.
- Social Media Views: 1.6 Million
- An international event was organized with **Dr Maya Tudor**, Associate Professor, University of Oxford, UK, as the distinguished guest speaker.
- Global Partnerships: University of Oxford, UK; University at Albany, SUNY, USA; Research Society of International Law; Federal Board of Revenue; Foreign Service Academy; Institute of Business Administration; Embassy of Japan, Islamabad; and Embassy of the Republic of Korea, Islamabad.

## IPRI Webinar Series

### 1. Has the Forever War Ended? The Way Forward for Afghanistan

**Date:** : 29 April 2021

#### Speakers:

- **Lt Gen (R) Naeem Lodhi**, former Defence Secretary of Pakistan
- **Ambassador (R) Richard Olsen**, former US Ambassador to Pakistan
- **Lt Gen (R) Aamer Riaz**, former President of National Defence University, Islamabad
- **Ambassador (R) Riaz M Khan**, former Pakistan's Foreign Secretary

**Total attendants/views:** 1800

### 2. Deconstructing FATF through a Legal Lens

**Date:** 6 April 2021

#### Speakers:

- **Mr M Iqbal Khan**, DG Intelligence & Investigation, Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) and former Director General, NACTA
- **Ms Noor Fatima**, Research Associate, Research Society of International Law (RSIL)
- **Mr Hassan Aslam Shad**, international law expert
- **Mr Ali Sultan**, International law expert and teacher at the Foreign Service Academy, Pakistan
- **Ms Huma Baqai**, Associate Professor of Social Sciences & Liberal Arts, and former Associate Dean, Faculty of Business Administration, Institute of Business Administration (IBA)

**Total attendants/views:** 2200

## Distinguished Lecture Series

### Changing Global Society: Post-Colonial World Order

**Date:** 30 April 2021

#### Speakers:

#### Distinguished Guest Speaker:

**Dr Maya Tudor**, Associate Professor of Government and Public Policy, Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford, UK.

#### Discussants:

1. **Ms Nilofur Siddiqui**, Assistant Professor of Political Science, University at Albany, State University of New York, USA.
2. **Mr Ejaz Haider**, South Asian affairs analyst & journalist.

**Total attendants/views:** 2700

## IPRI's Expert Advisory Group Meeting

**Date:** 15 April 2021

IPRI hosted a session with National Security Division and members of its Expert Advisory Group on different aspects of national security research and policy.

## IPRI Publications

### **Policy Brief:**

**Khalid Chandio**  
**Research Fellow**  
"Biden Presidency and Pakistan"

**Adeel Mukhtar Mirza**  
**Assistant Research Associate**  
"Water Storage Challenge of Pakistan: Reviving Kalabagh Dam Project"

**Zeeshan Javed**  
**Assistant Research Associate**  
"Using Artificial Intelligence for Traffic Policing: Developing a Framework for the Future"

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

**Brig. (R) Raashid Wali Janjua**  
**Acting President**  
"Lawfare by Pakistan"  
*The News*

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

1. "Afghan Pullout: A Precursor to Peace or Renewed Cold War"  
*China Global Television Network (CGTN)*
2. "Lavrov's Visit to Pakistan Augurs Well for the Region"

**Muhammad Nawaz Khan**  
**Research Associate**  
"Reinvigorating Pakistan's 'Look-Africa Policy'"  
*Balochistan Times*

**Amna Ejaz**  
**Research Associate**  
"China and India Regional Approaches"  
*Pakistan Observer*

**Adeel Mukhtar Mirza**  
**Assistant Research Associate**  
"Reinvigorating Hydro-Diplomacy in the Indus Basin"  
*Eurasia Review*

**Maheen Ahmed**  
**Assistant Research Associate**  
1. "Amid Judge Shootings and Violence, Pakistan Needs Anonymous Courts"  
*Global Village Space*

2. "How do you take your Fuel-2 Sugars?"  
*Natura*, Vol 25, Issue No. 1

**Usama Nizamani**  
**Assistant Research Associate**  
"View from Pakistan | Not a Fig Leaf"  
*Force*

**Zeeshan Javed**  
**Assistant Research Associate**  
"The Impact of Artificial Intelligence on the Modern Battlefield"  
*Journal of Defense Management*, Vol 11, Issue No. 4

**Kashoon Leeza**  
**Advocacy and Editorial Specialist**  
"The Soft Power of Tourism for Pakistan"  
*South Asian Voices*

**Ishtiaq Ali Mehkri**  
**Assistant Editor**  
1. "Reinvigorating Pakistan's National Security Discourse"  
*The Truth International*  
4. "Abide with the Doha Deal"  
*Defence Journal*

## Meetings with Embassies

IPRI Team had a meeting with Republic of Korea **Ambassador Suh Sangpyo** on April 7, 2021, and with **Mr Takekido Masao**, Counsellor, Chief of Protocol /General Affairs Section, Embassy of Japan, Islamabad, on April 20, 2021. During the meetings discussion on bilateral relations & prospective collaboration between IPRI & Korean/Japanese think tanks was held.

**Mr Alexander Razgulyaev**, Second Secretary, Embassy of the Russian Federation, Pakistan, visited IPRI on April 29, 2021. Pakistan-Russia relations were discussed

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## Digital and Communications

### Impact Assessment:

- 1.6 Million views, 44,000 profile visits, 2,320 mentions and Twitter followers increased to 16,000.
- Global Partnerships: University of Oxford, UK; University at Albany, State University of New York, USA; Research Society of International Law (RSIL); Federal Board of Revenue (FBR); Foreign Service Academy; Institute of Business Administration; Embassy of Japan, Islamabad; and Embassy of the Republic of Korea, Islamabad.

### IPRI on TV:

**Ambassador (R) Asif Durrani**, Senior Research Fellow, IPRI, was part of 5 panel discussions during the month of April, appearing on PTV World, Indus News, GTV News, and Such TV. He shared his views on US President Biden's decision to withdraw all American troops from Afghanistan and Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's visit to Pakistan. Recent developments in Pakistan's relations with India, and Pakistan-Iran relations were also discussed.

### Policy Beats:

The latest episode of Policy Beats featured Deputy Commissioner Islamabad **Hamza Shafqaat**, who spoke about how to bridge the gap between policy and its on ground implementation; Civil Service of Pakistan; challenges of city administration; and managing the COVID-19 pandemic.