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University of Gwadar's Strategic Role in CPEC: Developing Skilled Human Capital and Advancing Blue Economy Policy



The Governor Balochistan Jaffar Khan Mandokhail stated that in light of the transformative impact of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, the University of Gwadar must play a leading role in producing highly educated and technically skilled professionals to meet future economic and commercial demands. He stressed the importance of organizing an international-standard national seminar on the Blue Economy to help guide both federal and provincial governments in shaping comprehensive economic policies, noting that universities serve as credible centers for research, new ideas, and solutions to social challenges. He shared these views during a meeting with Vice Chancellor Abdul Razzaq Sabir at Governor House Quetta.

The Governor further highlighted that scientific education is a powerful tool for transforming economic and social systems and urged greater encouragement for youth to gain modern skills, promote innovation, launch startups, and generate employment—especially in maritime sectors. He also called on the university leadership to strengthen partnerships with national and international institutions, research bodies, and industries to access expertise and funding, while integrating green technologies and environmentally responsible practices to protect Gwadar's biodiversity and natural resources.

University of Gwadar Leadership Participates in HEC- NAHE Workshop



Vice Chancellor Prof Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir and Pro Vice-Chancellor Dr. Manzoor Ahmed representing the UG at the three-day Strategic Planning and Leadership Excellence Workshop organized by NAHE-HEC Pakistan, in collaboration with the Chancellor Office Balochistan,



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Federal Minister for Maritime Affairs Junaid Anwar Chaudhry Visits University of Gwadar and Pak-China Institute



Federal Minister for Maritime Affairs Junaid Anwar Chaudhry visited the University of Gwadar and the Pak-China Technical and Vocational Institute (PCTVI), accompanied by Chairman Gwadar Port Authority Noor-ul-Haq Baloch and a parliamentary delegation. He reviewed academic and administrative facilities and chaired a meeting at PCTVI, where Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed briefed the delegation on institutional performance, development projects, and challenges. The delegation appreciated the progress and assured full support from the Ministry. The Minister emphasized the importance of higher education, technical training, and maritime studies for Gwadar's development and offered ministry support, including voluntary teaching in maritime disciplines.

MPA Maulana Hidayat ur Rehman Baloch Inaugurates Girls' Hostel at University of Gwadar



Following the announcement by Mir Sarfraz Bugti, Chief Minister of Balochistan, regarding the allocation of a Girls' Hostel for the University of Gwadar, MPA Gwadar, Maulana Hidayat ur Rehman Baloch formally inaugurated the hostel constructed by the Government of Balochistan. The facility will provide safe, high-quality accommodation for female students, particularly those from outside Gwadar, to pursue their studies. The inauguration ceremony was

attended by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razaq Sabir, university officials, and distinguished guests. The Vice Chancellor thanked the Government of Balochistan and termed the initiative an important step toward promoting female education.

University of Gwadar Faculty Attend CPEC Consortium Training in China



A week-long advanced training program under the CPEC Consortium of Universities was held at Tianjin Foreign Studies University, China, for senior faculty and officials from Pakistan and China to strengthen academic cooperation. The University of Gwadar was represented by Dr. Muhammad Irshad (Director ORIC) and Mr. Ubaid Ali (Director Financial Aids). The program covered global trends in higher education, AI in education, digital transformation, and research development, concluding with certificates for participants.

Gwadar Students Reach China, Marking a New Chapter in Technical Education



Under CPEC, the first batch of students from the Pak-China Technical & Vocational Institute (PCT&VI), University of Gwadar, has arrived in China to continue the remaining 1.5 years of their three-year Associate Diploma Program at Shandong Institute of Commerce & Technology (SICT). This milestone follows the 2023 MoU between the University of Gwadar, Gwadar Port Authority (GPA), COPHCL, and SICT, aimed at strengthening technical skills and human resource development.

All student expenses—including tuition, accommodation, and travel—are fully sponsored by SICT, COPHCL, and GPA. The achievement reflects the collective vision and leadership of GPA, University of Gwadar, COPHCL, SICT, and

VCs of UG & UoT Emphasize AI Education, Curriculum Innovation, and Quality Research



Vice Chancellor University of Gwadar, Prof. Dr. Abdul Razaq Sabir, met Vice Chancellor University of Turbat, Prof. Dr. Gul Hasan, to discuss strengthening higher education and addressing regional challenges. The talks focused on AI, modern technology, digital skills, and innovation in curricula and teaching. Both leaders emphasized collaboration for students' socio-economic development. It was agreed that University of Gwadar students will access UoT laboratories for practical science training, alongside enhanced cooperation in research, training, academic activities, and publications. Prof. Dr. Sabir also presented his authored books to UoT's library.

Orientation Session for Newly Admitted Student of Batch IV



The University of Gwadar held an orientation session for newly admitted students at the Mir Ahmed Bakhsh Lehri Auditorium of the Pak-China Technical and Vocational Institute (PCTVI). The session was presided over by Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed, who congratulated the students and said that university life is not only about earning a degree but also about developing into responsible and capable individuals. He emphasized the university's commitment to quality education and the overall development of students. During the session, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences Prof. Dr. Jan Muhammad gave an overview of the academic system, examinations, scholarships, and facilities, while Dean Faculty of Science Dr. Mohibullah encouraged students to pursue knowledge, research, and critical thinking. The event was attended by Controller of Examinations Prof. Dr. Rahim Mehr, Director ORIC Dr. Muhammad Irshad, faculty members, students, parents, and administrative staff, while Director Student Affairs Farooq Haider served as stage secretary.



UG signs MoUs with other stockholders



The University of Gwadar and Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal signed an MoU in Islamabad to provide scholarships and financial assistance to deserving students. The agreement was signed by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir and Managing Director Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal, Senator (R) Shoaib Ahmed Khan. Dr. Sabir said the initiative would help talented students overcome financial barriers to higher education. Officials termed the MoU a positive step toward promoting education, social welfare, and youth development.



PCT&VI UG and Wuhan Central Group Sign MoU to Strengthen Vocational Skills Training under the Belt and Road Initiative.

The Pak-China Technical & Vocational Institute, University of Gwadar, and Wuhan Central Group (China) signed a 5-year MoU to enhance vocational education, skills training, and international cooperation under the Belt and Road Initiative. Prof. Dr. Manzoor Ahmed said the partnership will open global-standard training and employment opportunities for Gwadar's youth.



University of Gwadar and Sun Yat-sen University Forge Academic Collaboration on Coastal Belt Studies.

The University of Gwadar and Sun Yat-sen University, China, signed an MoU on July 3, 2025, to collaborate on Coastal Belt and Area Studies. The agreement focuses on joint research, academic exchange, and talent development. The MoU was signed during a CPEC-focused seminar at SYSU, highlighting Gwadar's strategic importance and regional development.



MoU Signing at PIMEC 2025

University of Gwadar BlueNet+ and the signed an MoU at PIMEC 2025 to advance maritime innovation, blue economy education, and sustainable coastal development. The agreement was signed by Dr. Nuzhat Khan and Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed Baloch, and witnessed by Mr. Abdul Malik Wado and Mr. Faraz A. Syed, in the presence of Maritime & Port Management students and the BlueNet+ team.



UG Signs MoU with GDA Public Higher Secondary School to Strengthen Teacher Education.

The University of Gwadar's Department of Education signed an MoU with GDA Public Higher Secondary School to enhance practical training for B.Ed. students. The partnership enables classroom practice, mentorship, and joint academic initiatives, bridging theory and practice to prepare competent future educators.

University of Gwadar and Sun Yat-sen University Forge Academic Collaboration on Coastal Belt Studies



The University of Gwadar (UG) and the School of International Relations at Sun Yat-sen University (SYSU), China, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on July 3, 2025, to strengthen academic cooperation and promote joint research, academic exchange, and collaboration in Area Studies, particularly focusing on the Coastal Belt Research Program. The MoU was signed during a seminar titled "CPEC Cooperation and China-Pakistan Relations" at SYSU's Zhuhai Campus, where Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed, Pro Vice-Chancellor of UG, highlighted Gwadar's strategic role in CPEC and emphasized the importance of connectivity, industrial development, and skilled human resources for Balochistan's economic growth. The collaboration aims to advance research, knowledge exchange, and regional development through joint academic initiatives.



University of Gwadar Explores Academic Collaboration with Leading Chinese Universities



Dr. Manzoor Ahmed, Pro-Vice Chancellor of the University of Gwadar, concluded a productive visit to Fudan University and Hainan University, China, to strengthen academic linkages and explore future collaboration. At Hainan University, he met with Deputy Vice Chancellor Prof. Sun Yang and representatives of the Hainan Institute of World Watch to discuss joint research and faculty exchange. At Fudan University, discussions with Dr. Zhang Jiadong focused on long-term academic partnerships and collaborative initiatives aligned with the Belt and Road and CPEC. The visit marks a significant step in expanding the University of Gwadar's international academic engagement.

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PCT&VI Team Completes Professional Training Program at Shandong Institute of Commerce and Technology, China



Pak China Technical & Vocational Institute (PCT&VI) congratulates its team members on successfully completing a one-month professional training program at the Shandong Institute of Commerce and Technology (SICT), a partner institute under the MoU. The training was conducted through the efforts of Executive Director PCT&VI, Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed. PCT&VI is confident the trainees will contribute positively to the institute's growth by applying their skills and expertise. The trainees also expressed sincere gratitude to SICT for its hospitality and support.

University of Gwadar's 5th Syndicate meeting



The 5th Syndicate meeting of the University of Gwadar was held at the Pak-China Technical and Vocational Institute under the chairmanship of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir. The forum approved the minutes of the previous meeting, reports of the Academic Council and Finance & Planning Committee, and discussed key academic, administrative, and financial matters. Several important initiatives and policy documents, including the revised HEC Best University Teacher Award (BUTA) framework and faculty appointment criteria, were also approved.

University of Gwadar's 9th Academic Council meeting



The 9th Academic Council meeting of the University of Gwadar, chaired by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, reviewed previous decisions, presented the QEC report, and approved key academic matters including program renaming, BS thesis guidelines, semester rules, enrollment system, student fees, and Boards of Studies proceedings. The Council also approved reserved FATA seats, an Iqbal Corner in the library, and federal education policies, concluding with the Vice Chancellor honoring members for their contributions.

University of Gwadar's 10th Academic Council meeting



The 10th Academic Council meeting of the University of Gwadar, chaired by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, approved key academic decisions including mandatory certifications, internships, the 2025 HEC Anti-Harassment Policy, a Coastal Affairs Research Center, and BoS recommendations. The Vice Chancellor highlighted aligning programs with national and regional needs to promote quality education, research, and institutional growth.

University of Gwadar Affiliated Institutions to Uphold High Academic Standards



The first meeting of the Affiliation Committee of the University of Gwadar was held at PCT&VI-UG, chaired by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir and attended by senior university officials and the Director Colleges Balochistan. The committee discussed the affiliation of degree and postgraduate colleges in District Gwadar and emphasized maintaining high academic standards to promote quality higher education in the region.

VC University of Gwadar Stresses Financial Discipline & Institutional Growth



The 7th Finance and Planning Committee meeting of the University of Gwadar, chaired by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, approved FY 2024–25 expenditures, faculty packages, and MS/MBA fee structures while discussing financial management and budget strategies. The Vice Chancellor emphasized financial discipline, academic excellence, and employee welfare, appreciating contributions from committee members and external representatives.

UG First Advanced Studies and Research Board (ASRB) Meeting



The First Meeting of the Advanced Studies and Research Board (ASRB) of the University of Gwadar in progress at the Pak-China Technical & Vocational Institute, presided over by *Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, with participation of Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed, Registrar Dr. Dolat Khan, Controller of Examinations Dr. Rahim Bakhsh Mehr, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences Prof. Dr. Jan Muham-mad, Dean Faculty of Science & En-gineering Dr. Mohib Ullah, Director ORIC Dr. Muhammad Irshad, and Di-rector QEC Dr. Rabia Aslam.

Board of Studies Approves Landmark Reforms in BS Chemistry Program at UG



The BoS of PCTVI, University of Gwadar, approved a modernized BS Chemistry curriculum with HEC-aligned, future-focused courses such as AI, Pharmaceutical, Agricultural, and Marine Chemistry. The reforms include bridging semester and interdisciplinary modules to enhance practical skills and employability. Experts stressed upgraded labs and AI-driven research training to prepare students for global scientific and industrial challenges.

Department of Education, University of Gwadar Holds 4th Board of Studies Meeting



The Department of Education, University of Gwadar, held its 4th Board of Studies meeting on September 30, 2025, adopting updated HEC-prescribed curricula for B.Ed. (4, 2.5, 1.5 years) and M.Phil. programs. Four specializations—Educational Leadership & Management, Teacher Professional Development, Education for Sustainable Development, and Curriculum Studies—were approved, along with the programs' vision, mission, and objectives. The meeting included external members Dr. Mahnaz Aslam (University of Turbat) and

Dr. Niamatullah (LUAWMS), reaffirming the department's commitment to advancing teacher education and research.

University of Gwadar Students Bid Farewell to Outgoing Seniors



The University of Gwadar held heartfelt farewell ceremonies for graduating students of the Departments of Management Sciences, Commerce, and Education. Junior students organized programs featuring speeches, poetry, performances, and nostalgic videos celebrating their seniors' academic journey. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir praised the seniors' dedication and encouraged them to continue lifelong learning with integrity. Prof. Dr. Jan Muhammad, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, highlighted education's role in shaping character and purpose. Senior students expressed gratitude to faculty and juniors. The events concluded with cake-cutting and group photos, capturing the joy and camaraderie of the occasion.

University of Gwadar Launches "Education For All" Initiative to Support Local Schools



The Department of English at the University of Gwadar launched its Education For All (EFA) initiative under the Civic and Community Engagement course, providing educational support to underprivileged students in Gwadar. University students collected and distributed school essentials to three government schools, conducted interactive classroom sessions, and offered career guidance to motivate young learners. The visits included Girls High School Shamby Ismail, Girls High School Gwadar, and Government Boys High School Gwatri Bazar. The EFA program highlights the university's commitment to community empowerment, student-led leadership, and advancing education in the region.



UG honored Mr. Sameer Miya a BBA Student and cabinet member of YPCD Gwadar chapter the education standard at the University.



PCT&VI Approves New Courses and Program Revisions at 3rd Board of Studies Meeting



The Pak-China Technical & Vocational Institute (PCT&VI) held its 3rd Board of Studies meeting on 17 October 2025, chaired by Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed. Attendees included Prof. Dr. Jan Muhammad and Dr. Mohibullah from the University of Gwadar. The Board approved new programs in boat making, boat engine repair, electrical work, mobile repair, and logistics, and replaced the Mechatronics program with Robotic Engineering to align with industry needs.

University of Gwadar Strengthens AI Education with Revised Computer Science Curriculum



The University of Gwadar's *Department of Computer Science* held its 5th Board of Studies meeting, chaired by *Dr. Mohib Ullah*, to review and restructure the BS Computer Science and AD Computing programs in line with the latest HEC framework. The Board approved *market-driven specializations, a new course coding scheme, and guidelines for the Final Year Project, emphasizing AI-driven education. **Dr. Mohib Ullah* highlighted that equipping graduates with emerging AI skills is key to Pakistan's digital transformation, reinforcing the university's goal to become a center of excellence in Artificial Intelligence.

Chinese Ambassador Special Scholarship Awarded to 41 Students at University of Gwadar



The second Board of Studies meeting of the Pak-China Technical and Vocational Institute (PCT&VI) was held on Tuesday, June 3, 2025, under the chairmanship of Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed, Executive Director and Chairman BoS. The meeting reviewed course allocations and approved amendments to program schemes to enhance academic quality. The Board also discussed an international 1.5-year technical training program for PCT&VI students at Shandong Institute of Commerce and Technology (SICT), China. China Overseas Port Holding Company Limited (COPHCL) will sponsor travel expenses for 18 students, while PCT&VI and SICT will cover other academic, visa, accommodation, and tuition-related costs. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair and participants.

University of Gwadar Hosts Seminar on “The Role of Teachers in Ensuring Quality Education” to Mark World Teachers’ Day



The Department of Education, University of Gwadar, in collaboration with the Quality Enhancement Cell (QEC), organized a seminar on “The Role of Teachers in Ensuring Quality Education” to mark World Teachers’ Day. The event highlighted teachers as the backbone of educational quality and institutional development. The program began with Quran recitation, followed by welcome remarks from Prof. Dr. Rahim Bakhsh Mehr, emphasizing teachers’ foundational role in shaping the nation’s future. Chief Guest Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed, Pro Vice Chancellor, addressed “The Transformative Role of Teachers in Higher Education,” noting teachers as agents of change who inspire critical thinking and societal contribution. Speakers included District Education Officer Female, Madam Balqees Suleman, who stressed teacher training and professional development, and Mr. Jamil Qasim, President of Gwadar Private Schools Association, who highlighted modern pedagogical methods for quality education. A panel discussion on “The Central Role of Teachers in Educational Administration and Policy Implementation” featured senior educators and administrators, emphasizing teachers’ involvement in decision-making for policy success. In his concluding remarks, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir recognized teachers’ pivotal role in shaping intellect, character, and society, reaffirming the University’s commitment to supporting them. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Rabia Aslam and presentation of shields and souvenirs to the guests.

Unveiling of Syed Zahoor Shah Hashmi’s Statue at PCT&VI Gwadar



A statue of renowned Balochi poet, scholar, and lexicographer Syed Zahoor Shah Hashmi was unveiled at the PCT&VI, Gwadar, in a ceremony attended by academics, literary figures, students, and faculty. The statue, crafted by internationally acclaimed sculptor Hassan Yadgarzadeh, was jointly unveiled by Chairman GPA Noor-ul-Haq Baloch, artist Hassan Yadgarzadeh, Mir Karvan head Mir Arshad Kalmati, Registrar UG Dr. Dolat Khan, and Baloch Poet Dr. Rahim Mehr. Speakers described the installation as a significant cultural milestone honoring Syed Hashmi’s contributions to the Balochi language and literature. Chairman GPA emphasized that nations honor their intellectual heroes to preserve their legacy. Participants also highlighted the role of PCT&VI, particularly Executive Director Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed, in promoting cultural and artistic initiatives in Gwadar.

University of Gwadar Wins Best Speaker Award at Uraan Pakistan National Debates 2025



A student of the Department of English at the UG, Badria Rafiq, won the Best Speaker Award at the Uraan Pakistan National Debates 2025 held in Islamabad, competing against participants from 65 universities across Pakistan. She achieved this distinction under the guidance of the Director of Students' Affairs, Farooq Haider. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir and Pro Vice Chancellor Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed congratulated the student and praised the achievement as a reflection of the university's growing academic excellence and student talent. The award, along with a trophy and cash prize, was presented by Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Special Initiatives Ahsan Iqbal.



University of Gwadar Promotes Sports Excellence Through Diverse Activities and Inter-University Achievements



The Directorate of Sports at the University of Gwadar actively promotes physical fitness, sportsmanship, and competitive excellence. In 2025, it expanded student engagement through university, inter-university, and community-level sporting activities. A major highlight was the Second Annual Sports Week 2025, featuring traditional and innovative events, including beach volleyball, futsal, and tug of war—uniquely utilizing Gwadar's coastal setting. Competitions in cricket, football, volleyball, badminton, chess, table tennis, and other indoor and outdoor sports fostered teamwork and healthy competition across campus. The University also achieved notable success at the Balochistan Inter Universities Sports Festival 2025, where the football team secured the runner-up trophy, and the cricket team delivered strong performances. Additionally, students performed commendably at the Meer Kalmati Inter Educational Institute Sports Festival 2025, showcasing skills across multiple disciplines.

Governor Inaugurates Three Days Media Literacy Training in Quetta for Faculties and PRO's, CM Distributes Certificates to Participants



A strong emphasis on education, responsible media use, and youth development emerged in Balochistan as Chief Minister Mir Sarfaraz Bugti and Governor Jaffar Khan Mandokhail addressed key challenges facing the province. Speaking to university faculty, the Chief Minister highlighted that youth are the nation's future and teachers play a vital role in guiding them through research and mentorship. He warned about the dangers of misinformation and irresponsible social media use, urging the promotion of truth, dialogue, and social responsibility. He also noted governance reforms, including the recruitment of 16,000 teachers, reopening of 3,200 schools, and improvements in public healthcare. Meanwhile, in Quetta, the Governor inaugurated a three-day Media Information Literacy (MIL) training program for university faculty, organized by Individualland Pakistan with support from the European Union. The program aims to strengthen critical thinking, fact-checking skills, and responsible media use among educators across Balochistan.

Strengthening Disaster Risk Reduction Through University-NDMA Collaboration




A delegation of Vice Chancellors from public sector universities of Balochistan, including Abdul Razzaq Sabir, visited National Disaster Management Authority headquarters in Islamabad on 1 January 2026 to sign a Letter of Agreement for collaboration in disaster risk reduction. The partnership focuses on joint research, capacity building, student internships, and field activities addressing Balochistan's disaster risks. It also includes establishing NDMA Hubs and Centers of Excellence in universities to strengthen preparedness and develop skilled professionals for disaster management.

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