



# ANNUAL REPORT 2025

Center for International Strategic Studies,  
Azad Jammu and Kashmir  
(CISS AJK)

## Message from the Executive Director



Since its establishment in November 2022, Centre for International Strategic Studies, Azad Jammu and Kashmir (CISS AJK) has pursued a singular and demanding ambition, it is to build, from the ground up, a centre of intellectual excellence capable of shaping consequential debates in national and regional security, nuclear policy, and strategic affairs.

Three years on, I am pleased to report that this ambition is being realized, steadily, substantively, and with a growing measure of international recognition. The path from institutional founding to credible policy influence is rarely linear. It demands sustained

investment in research quality, the cultivation of scholarly networks, and an institutional culture that prizes rigour over expediency. At CISS AJK, we have worked deliberately to build each of these foundations and the results are reflected in the depth and breadth of our output this year.

As the first think tank to be established in Azad Jammu and Kashmir, CISS AJK carries a particular responsibility. We are not simply producing research; we are building the institutional infrastructure through which AJK's scholars can engage with the world's foremost policy challenges on equal terms. That means investing in mentorship, in professional development, and in the creation of a research culture that can endure beyond any single cohort or leadership team.

The significance of this pioneering role is not lost on us. Every paper published, every seminar convened, and every emerging scholar supported represents a brick in a structure that will serve the country's intellectual life for decades to come. We take that responsibility seriously and it continues to drive the standards we set for ourselves.

CISS AJK's growing prominence in Pakistan's national policy landscape is a development we regard with both pride and purpose. Our rise in national think tank rankings, our increasing citation in policy discussions, and our sustained presence in media commentary reflect something more than institutional visibility, they reflect the recognition that our analysis is trusted, our methodology is sound, and our commitment to Pakistan's strategic interests is unwavering.

As we close the chapter on 2025 and look toward the years ahead, I am conscious that the conditions shaping our region and the global order are in considerable flux. The questions of nuclear stability, great-power competition, and regional governance that have anchored our research agenda are not becoming simpler. They are becoming more urgent. The journey we began in 2022 is far from complete but the foundation we have built gives me every confidence in the road that lies ahead.

**Executive Director**  
**Centre for International Strategic Studies**  
**Azad Jammu and Kashmir (CISS AJK)**  
**2025**

## Research Areas



### **Emerging Technologies, Strategy, and Warfare**

Zohaib Altaf & Nimra Javed



### **Strategic Stability in South Asia**

Syeda Tahreem Bukhari & Abdul Basit



### **Arms Control and Disarmament**

M. Shahzad Akram & Tayyaba Khurshid



### **Nuclear Global Order and Geopolitics**

Moneeb Mir & Qurat-ul-Ain Shabbir



### **Export Control Regimes**

Nazia Sheikh



### **Jammu and Kashmir Conflict, State and Society**

Saba Ghulam Nabi & Abdul Rehman



### **Cyber Warfare and Biological Weapons Convention**

Rimsha Malik



### **Peaceful use of Nuclear Technology**

Hira Bashir

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# STRATEGIC PERSPECTIVES

## Journal of Strategic Affairs

Centre for International Strategic Studies AJK is proud to announce that CISS AJK's research journal "Strategic Perspectives" has been officially recognized by the Higher Education Commission (HEC) under the 'Y' category.

### HEC RECOGNIZED Y - Category

#### Vol. II No. 2, Summer 2025

Indian Military Modernization and Its Implications on Strategic Stability in South Asia  
Bilal Zubair and Zain Rashid Tarar

New Media as a Tool of Hybrid Warfare: Analyzing Pakistan's Case  
Afsah Qazi and Faiz Ali Shah

Arms Control Beyond New START: Challenges and Prospects in a Multipolar World  
Anum Riaz and Mobeen Jafar Mir

Rise of Populism in the Post-Truth Era: A Case Study of Modi's Regime  
Saad Riaz and Junaid Khan Jhandad

Forging New Frontiers: India-GCC Engagement under the Act West Policy and Implications for Pakistan  
Sardar Jehanzaib Ghalib and Muhammad Ahmad Khan

#### Vol. III No. 1, Winter 2025

Theoretical Approaches to the Root Causes of Terrorism: An Analysis of ISIS and Al-Qaeda in the post-9/11 Middle East  
Rabbab Abbas Khan & Sarwat Rauf

The Hypersonic Missile Race: An Analysis of Global Dynamics and South Asian Strategic Stability  
Ghazala Yasmin Jalil & Muskan

Indian Naval Modernization: From Buyers to Builders Navy and Implications for Indian Ocean Region Security  
Abdul Moiz Khan & Usman Haider

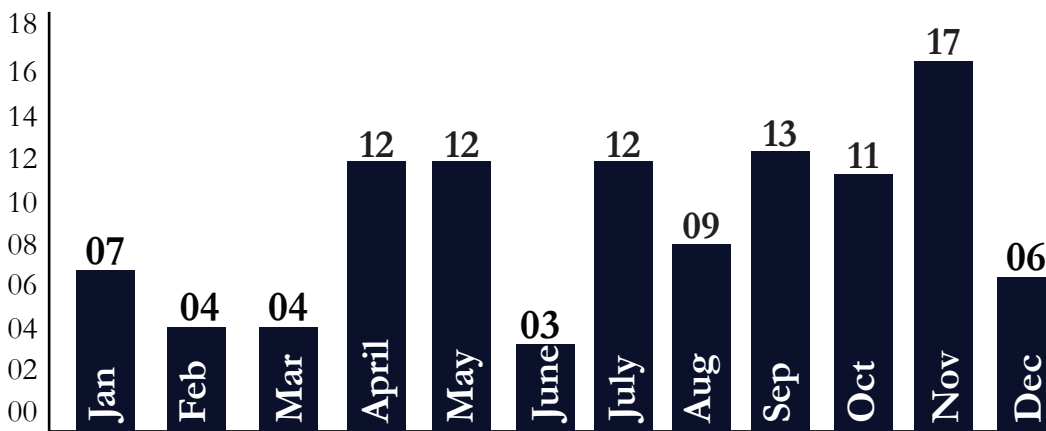
India-US Defense Relations: Convergences and Divergences  
Ahyousha Khan

Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir and Palestine: A Comparative Study of Identity Crisis, and Narratives of Resistance and Occupation  
Syeda Saba Israr

## STRATEGIC FORECAST Digital Blog Series

Strategic Forecast, has become an effective platform for promoting Pakistan's narrative and expanding the institute's outreach. It has cultivated a significant readership by attracting expert contributors, both young and seasoned, from premier institutions. These contributors specialize not only in traditional domains but also in emerging areas like cyberwarfare, quantum computing, and other disruptive technologies, resonating strongly with a young audience that has the potential to grow in the future.

### Strategic Forecast January-December 2025



## STRATEGIC SPECTRUM Monthly Newsletter

The Center for International Strategic Studies AJK (CISS AJK) publishes a monthly Strategic Spectrum edition, highlighting CISS AJK's key activities and engagements for each month.

**STRATEGIC SPECTRUM**

Your Premier Source for Strategic Updates, Intellectual Debates, and Informed Perspectives

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# **FLAGSHIP CONFERENCES**

## 27th February: An Affirmation of Pakistan's Resolve to the Kashmir Conflict, Peace, and Stability





The event “27th February: An Affirmation of Pakistan’s Resolve to the Kashmir Conflict, Peace, and Stability” was a high-level national conference Organized by the Centre for International Strategic Studies Azad Jammu & Kashmir (CISS AJK). The primary aim of the conference was to reaffirm Pakistan’s commitment to regional peace, strategic stability, and the Kashmiri people’s right to self-determination, while also

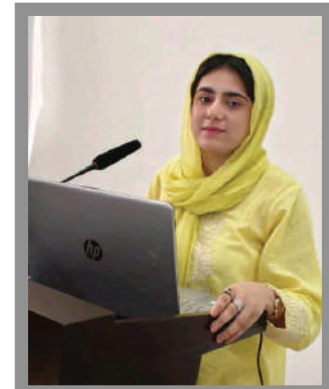
highlighting India’s aggressive behaviour, militaristic ambitions, and disinformation campaigns.

**Key Speakers:**

1. Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja Executive Director (CISS AJK) Delivered introductory remarks
2. Major General (Retd ) Syed Shahab Shahid, Director General Arms Control and Disarmament ,Strategic Plans Division
3. Lt Gen Sarfaraz Sattar, Advisor NCA
4. Rana Qasim Muhammad Noon (Parliamentary Kashmir Committee)
5. Ramesh Singh Arora (Minister, Government of Punjab)
6. Chaudhry Latif Akbar (Acting President, AJK)

## Vice Chancellors’ Consultative Meeting – “Networking, Research & Academic Collaboration

On Nov 11, 2025, CISS AJK Organized Vice Chancellors’ Consultative Meeting “Networking, Research & Academic Collaboration. The Vice Chancellors’ Consultative Meeting provided a valuable platform for academic leaders to deliberate on strengthening inter-university networking, research collaboration, and academic excellence in Azad Jammu & Kashmir. The discussion highlighted shared challenges in higher education, including research capacity, digital learning, and institutional coordination. Participants reaffirmed their commitment to collective academic growth through sustained collaboration and joint initiatives. The meeting concluded with a consensus on developing coordinated frameworks to enhance research quality and academic impact across the region.







# **SEMINARS**

## Interactive session featuring Ambassador (Retd.) Masood Khan

On 13 January 2025, CISS AJK organized an interactive session featuring Ambassador (Retd.) Masood Khan, former President of Azad Jammu & Kashmir, which was attended by the faculty of the University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir (UAJK) and the research faculty of CISS AJK.



Ambassador Masood Khan shared his strategic insights on regional geopolitics, foreign policy trends, and the evolving global security landscape. The session fostered meaningful dialogue and intellectual exchange between senior practitioners and academic researchers. Participants engaged with Ambassador Khan on key issues affecting South Asia, including peace, conflict, and diplomatic engagement. The event underscored CISS AJK's commitment to enhancing scholarly discourse and bridging academic and policy communities.

## Kashmir Solidarity Day – Honoring Resilience, Amplifying Voices

On 3 February 2025, CISS AJK, in collaboration with the Institute of Regional Studies (IRS) Islamabad, organized a joint seminar to commemorate Kashmir Solidarity Day.



The event aimed to highlight ongoing human rights violations in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK) and reaffirm solidarity with the oppressed Kashmiri population. The seminar featured distinguished speakers, including Senator Mushaid Hussain as keynote, Major General (R) Dr. Samrez Salik (HI M), Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja and Dr. Muhammad Khan, with welcome remarks by Ambassador

Jauhar Saleem. Participants discussed the grave human rights situation, the role of the international community, and the need for urgent global intervention to ensure justice, self-determination, and protection of fundamental rights. The seminar emphasized Pakistan and AJK's continued commitment to supporting Kashmiris and strengthening diplomatic efforts to raise awareness about the Kashmir issue at regional and global forums.

## Commemoration Youm-e-Tashakur

On 17 May 2025, CISS AJK organized a roundtable discussion of its research faculty to commemorate Youm-e-Tashakur, led by Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director CISS AJK. In her opening remarks, Dr. Khawaja congratulated the team on the successful culmination of Operation Bunyan-ul-Marsoos and Marka-e-Haq, encouraging researchers to contribute to national interests



through academic writing and policy research. Syeda Tahreem Bukhari, Associate Director, highlighted strategic stability post-Kashmir crisis, the need for a resolution of the Kashmir issue, and the potential risks of future Indian aggression. Zohaib Altaf, Associate Director, emphasized the technological and multi-domain dimensions of Pakistan's operations, while Tayyaba Khurshid discussed post-crisis communication mechanisms, confidence-building measures, and challenges posed by India's rhetoric. Researchers also deliberated on the internationalization of the

Kashmir issue and strategies for advancing Pakistan's case globally. The event concluded with a cake-cutting ceremony and prayers for the unity and strength of the Pakistani nation.

## Nuclearization of the Indian Ocean: Strategic Implications



On 28 May 2025, CISS AJK, in collaboration with the National Institute of Maritime Affairs (NIMA), hosted a joint seminar titled "The Indo-Pacific Strategy and the Nuclearization of the Indian Ocean: Strategic Implications", marking the conclusion of its three-day workshop on Strategic Stability in Nuclear South Asia. The seminar featured two thematic sessions: Session I on Evolving Security Architecture, moderated by Syeda Tahreem Bukhari, Associate Director, CISS AJK, included presentations by Zohaib Altaf (Associate Director, CISS AJK), M. Shahzad Akram (Research Officer, CISS AJK), and Dr. Rubina Waseem (Assistant Professor, NUST). Session II on Nuclearization of the Indian Ocean and Strategic Stability, moderated by Tayyaba Khurshid, Research Officer, CISS AJK, featured Dr. Baber Bilal Haider (Vice President, NIMA), Commodore (Retired) Raheel Masood (Senior Research Fellow, NIMA), Dr. Fasiha Safdar (Research Fellow, NIMA), and Commander Anees Muhammad Khan (Retired) (Senior Research Associate, NIMA). Opening remarks and the certificate distribution ceremony were conducted by Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director, CISS AJK. The seminar concluded with a commemorative Youm-e-Takbeer cake-cutting ceremony and a group lunch, fostering academic exchange and reaffirming Pakistan's strategic deterrence posture.

## Indian Hegemonic Ambitions and Kashmir

On 29 May 2025, CISS AJK hosted Dr. Muzzammil Ayyub Thakur, President of the World Kashmir Freedom Movement, for an interactive session under the "In Conversation with Thought Leaders" series on "Indian Hegemonic Ambitions: Historical Roots, Regional Repercussions, and



the Future of the Kashmir Conflict.” Dr. Thakur analyzed India’s ideological and strategic posture, highlighting the Hindutva project, systemic persecution of Kashmiris, and its implications for regional security. He emphasized the need for a cohesive national strategy involving academic institutions, policymakers, media, and civil society to counter India’s escalatory potential. The session underscored realist dynamics of international alliances, the significance of human rights advocacy, and the importance of

coordinated global messaging on Kashmir. Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director CISS AJK, acknowledged Dr. Thakur’s insights and reaffirmed the center’s commitment to strategic clarity, peace, and justice in South Asia. The event concluded with an interactive Q&A with CISS AJK research faculty.

## Building Resilient Youth Communities at Educational Campuses



On 26 June 2025, CISS AJK hosted the Pakistan Zindabad Seminar titled “Building Resilient Youth Communities at Educational Campuses”, jointly organized with the Islamic Research Institute (IIUI) and the Paigham-e-Pakistan Centre for Peace. The event brought together scholars, officials, students, and researchers to discuss youth empowerment and strategies to prevent violent extremism. Key speakers included Zohaib Altaf (Associate Director, CISS AJK), Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zia ul Haq (DG, IIUI), Syeda Tahreem Bukhari

(Associate Director, CISS AJK), and Nimra Javed (Research Officer, CISS AJK), who highlighted the role of educational campuses, civic education, and AI tools in countering extremist narratives. Peer Mazhar Saeed Shah, Minister for Information AJK, served as Chief Guest, emphasizing community-based awareness to safeguard national identity. The seminar was moderated by Abdul Basit (ARO, CISS AJK) and conducted in collaboration with the EU, UNODC, NACTA, and Prime Minister’s Youth Programme, reinforcing youth as drivers of peace, resilience, and national progress.

## Academic Linkages and Collaboration

On 28 August 2025, CISS AJK organized the event “Academic Linkages and Collaboration,” aimed at strengthening partnerships between academic and research institutions in Azad Jammu & Kashmir. The session featured participation from Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Associate Directors Syeda Tahreem Bukhari and Zohaib Altaf, and Dr. Nasir Jamal Khattak, the newly appointed Vice Chancellor of the University of Azad Jammu & Kashmir (UAJK). Speakers discussed opportunities for joint research, faculty exchange, curriculum development, and collaborative academic programs to bridge knowledge gaps and enhance scholarly engagement in the region. The initiative underscored the importance of institutional linkages in fostering research excellence and strategic capacity building. The event facilitated meaningful dialogue between CISS AJK and

partner institutions, reinforcing collective commitment toward advancing education, innovation, and policy-oriented scholarship in AJK.



## Yom-e-Tasees: Reaffirming the Struggle for Kashmir Cause and the Vision of Azad Jammu and Kashmir



On October 25, 2025, CISS AJK organized a seminar titled “Yom-e-Tasees: Reaffirming the Struggle for Kashmir Cause and the Vision of Azad Jammu and Kashmir” to commemorate the foundation of the Government of Azad Jammu and Kashmir on October 24, 1947. The seminar explored the historical, political, and strategic dimensions of the Kashmir struggle. Distinguished speakers Saba Ghulam Nabi, Abdul Rehman, Ghulam Muhammad Safi, and Altaf Hussain Wani shared their insights, while the

session was moderated by Syeda Tahreem Bukhari, Associate Director, CISS AJK. The event highlighted CISS AJK’s continued commitment to research, dialogue, and advocacy for justice and peace in Jammu and Kashmir.

A desk setup with two monitors. The left monitor displays a Zoom webinar grid with several participants' names and initials. The right monitor displays a Zoom webinar control panel with a list of participants and their status. In the foreground, there is a keyboard, a mouse, a notebook, and a mug.

# **WEBINARS/ INTERNATIONAL HYBRID WEBINARS**

## Assessing the Developments in the CD: Likely Outcomes and Future Trajectories

April 21, 2025

### Speakers



Brig (R) Dr. Zahir Kazmi



Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja



Tahir Hussain Andrabi



Shams uz Zaman

### Moderator



Malik Qasim Mustafa Khokar



Tayyaba Khurshid

## From Article 370 Revocation to the Pahalgam Crisis

Aug 7, 2025

### Speakers



Prof. Mohammad Mujeeb Afzal



Altaf Hussain Wani



Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja



Robert Fantina

### Moderator



Syeda Tahreem Bukhari

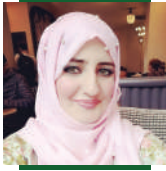


Saba Ghulam Nabi

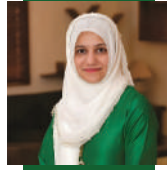
## October 27: The Illegitimate Occupation of Jammu and Kashmir and the Unyielding Spirit of Resistance

October 27 2025

### Speakers



Advocate Rehana Ali



Farzana Yaqoob



Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja



Shamim Shawl

### Moderator



Abdul Rehman



Abdul Basit

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## Jammu Genocide: A Policy from The Hindutva Playbook

November 6, 2025

### Speakers



Dr. Mubeen Shah



Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja



Duke Salman Khan

Bashir Ahmed Chaudhary

### Moderator



Saba Ghulam Nabi



Syeda Tahreem Bukhari

# Hindutva, Systematic Discrimination, and the Treatment of Minorities in India

Dec 17, 2025

## Speakers



Advocate Rehana Ali



Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja



Salman Javed Javed



Naila Altaf Kiani

## Moderator



Qurat-ul-Ain



**BOOK  
LAUNCH**

## Strategic Reckoning: Perspectives on Deterrence and Escalation Post-Pahalgam



CISS AJK successfully hosted the launch of “Strategic Reckoning: Perspectives on Deterrence and Escalation Post-Pahalgam” on 25 November 2025. The event was moderated and organized by Tayyaba Khurshid, Research Officer at CISS AJK. Key speakers included Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director CISS AJK; Brig (R) Zahir Haider Kazmi, Arms Control Advisor SPD; Prof. Dr. Zafar Nawaz Jaspal, Dean QAU; Dr. Atia Ali Kazmi, President GPS Forum; and Dr. Rabia Akhter, Editor of the volume and Dean University of Lahore. The speakers highlighted the continued relevance of nuclear deterrence, Pakistan’s shift toward an integrated deterrence framework, and emerging cyber and grey-zone challenges.



**INTERNSHIP  
PROGRAM**

From 21 July to 22 August 2025, CISS AJK conducted a one-month internship program designed to provide emerging scholars and young professionals with a structured platform for strategic research, policy analysis, and practical learning. Participants engaged in workshops, research projects, and mentorship sessions aimed at enhancing their analytical, critical thinking, and policy formulation skills. The program offered hands-on exposure to contemporary security and strategic issues in South Asia, fostering professional development and academic growth. It also encouraged networking with experts, policymakers, and CISS AJK faculty to cultivate future leaders in strategic studies. This initiative reflected CISS AJK's commitment to capacity building and nurturing the next generation of researchers.

## Evolving Regional Dynamics, Contemporary Media Narratives, and Pakistan's Strategic Posture



On 29 July 2025, CISS AJK organized an academic engagement on “Evolving Regional Dynamics, Contemporary Media Narratives, and Pakistan's Strategic Posture” aimed at capacity building for scholars and students. The session explored the impact of media on strategic perceptions, regional security trends, and Pakistan's policy responses to evolving geopolitical challenges. Participants engaged in interactive discussions, scenario analyses, and policy-oriented exercises to enhance understanding of

complex regional dynamics. The program emphasized critical thinking, analytical skills, and strategic awareness among participants. This initiative reflected CISS AJK's commitment to strengthening academic expertise and fostering informed discourse on national and regional security matters.

## Nuclear Proliferation and Weapon Technology



On 7 August 2025, CISS AJK conducted a capacity-building session on “Nuclear Proliferation and Weapon Technology” aimed at enhancing understanding of strategic and security challenges in South Asia. The session examined nuclear deterrence, proliferation risks, and technological advancements in weapon systems, highlighting their implications for regional and global security. Participants engaged in discussions on policy responses, risk mitigation, and strategic foresight to address emerging

security threats. The program emphasized analytical thinking, technical knowledge, and informed decision-making for scholars and professionals in the field. This initiative underscored CISS AJK's commitment to advancing expertise in strategic studies and security affairs.

## The Strategic Role of Youth in Sustaining National Cohesion



On 8 August 2025, CISS AJK organized an academic session on “The Strategic Role of Youth in Sustaining National Cohesion.” The program highlighted the role of youth in promoting national unity, social resilience, and strategic awareness, while encouraging young scholars to develop analytical skills and actively contribute to Pakistan’s security and development.

## Jammu & Kashmir Dispute, Youth Perspectives, Academic Opportunities & Collaborative Prospects



On 12 August 2025, CISS AJK organized a capacity-building and outreach program focused on “Jammu & Kashmir Dispute, Youth Perspectives, Academic Opportunities & Collaborative Prospects.” The initiative provided students and young scholars with an interactive learning experience on the historical and contemporary dimensions of the Kashmir conflict. Participants explored policy perspectives, strategic challenges, and

avenues for academic collaboration, including visits to the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI) and the Army Institute of Military History. The program emphasized critical thinking, research skills, and engagement with strategic experts. This activity highlighted CISS AJK’s commitment to fostering informed youth participation and strengthening academic and institutional linkages.



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# WORKSHOPS



## Strategic Stability in Post-Nuclear South Asia



From 26 to 28 May 2025, CISS AJK organized a Three-Day Strategic Workshop aimed at providing students with a deeper and practical understanding of the complex security environment in South Asia. The workshop focused on nuclear deterrence, regional rivalries, and evolving strategic trends, offering participants hands-on exposure to contemporary

security challenges. Sessions included lectures, scenario analyses, and interactive discussions facilitated by experts in strategic studies. The program emphasized critical thinking, policy-oriented analysis, and the development of informed perspectives on regional and international security dynamics. This initiative highlighted CISS AJK's commitment to fostering the next generation of scholars and practitioners in strategic affairs.



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# **STRATEGIC OUTREACH PROGRAM**


## Districts Covered




<b>05</b> Sessions	<b>03</b> Districts	<b>1100+</b> Teachers & Students
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## Government Boys Middle School Kakrool, Sudhnoti

 June 12, 2025

 Tayyaba Khurshid

As part of its Strategic Outreach initiative, Tayyaba Khurshid, Research Officer conducted a visit to Government Boys Middle School Kakrool in Sudhnoti, engaging students and youth in discussions on strategic issues and geopolitical awareness. She highlighted that Jammu and Kashmir is an internationally recognized disputed territory and examined India's ongoing unilateral and illegal measures aimed at altering the region's special status.

## Government Post Graduate College for Women, Muzaffarabad

 Oct 20, 2025

 Syeda Tahreem Bukhari, Saba Ghulam Nabi, Nimra Javed and  
Qurat-Ul-Ain Shabbir

The Centre for International Strategic Studies, Azad Jammu & Kashmir (CISS AJK) organized a Strategic Outreach Program at Government Post Graduate College for Women, Muzaffarabad. The outreach session was conducted by AD Syeda Tahreem Bukhari, along with Research Officers Saba Ghulam Nabi, Nimra Javed, and Qurat-ul-Ain Shabbir. The session fostered informed dialogue and academic interaction, reflecting CISS AJK's commitment to intellectual outreach in the region.

## University of Poonch, Rawalakot


 Dec 17, 2025

 Tayyabba Khurshid, Abdul Rehman, Abdul Basit and Hira Bashir

Centre for International Strategic Studies, Azad Jammu & Kashmir (CISS AJK) conducted a Strategic Outreach Session at the University of Poonch, Rawalakot. The session was attended by BS International Relations students and was led by Abdul Basit (ARO), Abdul Rehman, and Hira Bashir.

The discussion focused on strategic stability in South Asia, escalation dynamics, and the peaceful applications of nuclear technology. Students actively participated in an interactive dialogue, followed by an assessment and a lively Q&A session. The program concluded with closing remarks by Dr. Uzma Munshi, Head of the Department of International Relations, who appreciated CISS AJK's role in enhancing strategic awareness among youth.

## Muhammadan Science College, Hajira

 Dec 18, 2025

 **Tayyabba Khurshid, Abdul Rehman, Abdul Basit and Hira Bashir**

CISS AJK held a Strategic Outreach Session at, engaging over 300 Muhammadan Science College, Hajira BS students. The session was conducted by RO Tayyabba Khurshid, Abdul Rehman, ARO Abdul Basit, and Hira Bashir.

The speakers introduced students to CISS AJK's research mandate, highlighted academic and research opportunities, and discussed key strategic, security, and policy-relevant issues, including environmental security and arms control. The session concluded with remarks by the Principal, Dr. Tariq Mahmood, who commended the initiative for promoting critical thinking and research-oriented learning.

## Cadet College Pallandri

 Dec 19, 2025

 **Tayyabba Khurshid, Abdul Rehman, Abdul Basit and Hira Bashir**

On December 19, 2025, CISS AJK conducted a Strategic Outreach Program at Cadet College Pallandri, District Sudhnoti, where the research faculty interacted with approximately 400 cadets from Matric and FSc classes.

The session, led by Abdul Rehman, Hira Bashir, Tayyabba Khurshid, and Abdul Basit, covered contemporary strategic and security issues, including the peaceful uses of nuclear technology, fundamentals of arms control and disarmament, and environmental security challenges. The cadets showed keen interest and actively engaged in discussions, reflecting strong enthusiasm for national and regional security issues.

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**ACADEMIC  
ENGAGEMENTS  
WITH LOCAL  
UNIVERSITIES  
AND NATIONAL  
THINK TANKS  
(SIGNING OF  
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## CISS Signed MOUs with

1. Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI) Islamabad  
Jan 10, 2025

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2. Center for Aerospace and Security Studies Islamabad  
Jan 21, 2025

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3. Institute of Regional Studies, Islamabad (IRS)  
Feb 3, 2025

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4. Islamabad Policy research Institute (IPRI)  
Feb 18, 2025

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5. National Institute of Maritime Affairs (NIMA), Islamabad  
Mar 27, 2025

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6. Al-Khair University, Bhimber  
Nov 11, 2025

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7. Mohi-ud-Din Islamic University, Nerian Sharif AJ&K  
Nov 11, 2025

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8. University of Hawelli – Kahuta Campus  
Nov 11, 2025

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9. Women University of Azad Jammu & Kashmir, Bagh  
Nov 11, 2025

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10. Mirpur University of Science and Technology (MUST), Mirpur  
Nov 11, 2025

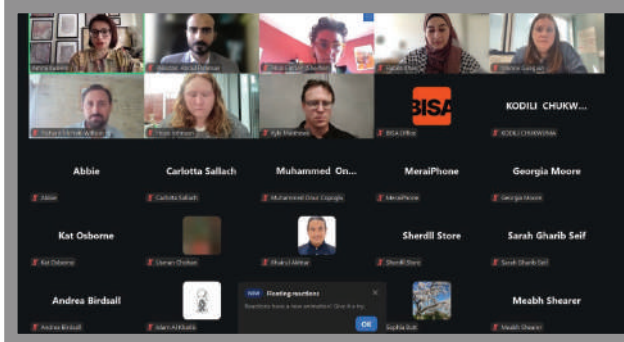






# **RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS**

## The Panopticon State: Analyzing Surveillance Practices in Indian Administered Kashmir



On Sep 9, 2025 Research Officer Abdul Rehman represented his research paper titled “The Panopticon State: Analyzing Surveillance Practices in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir” at the Critical Studies on Terrorism Annual Conference organized by the Critical Studies on Terrorism Working Group of the British International Studies Association (BISA). The paper examined how pervasive surveillance mechanisms

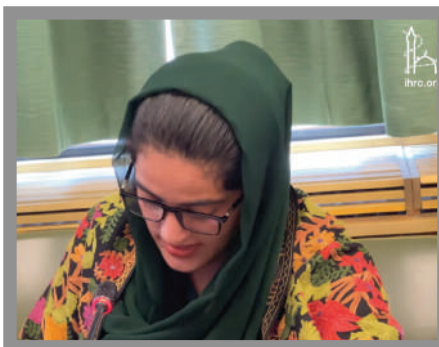
reshape subjectivity control and dissent in IIOJK, state power surveillance and human security in conflict zones.

## Demographic Change and Global Stability



On 19 September 2025, Syeda Tahreem Bukhari, Associate Director Research, represented the institute at a seminar held in Geneva on the sidelines of the 60th session of the UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC). She presented her paper titled “Demographic Change and Global Stability,” highlighting how India’s settler-colonial policies are deliberately altering the demographic structure of Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK).

## UNHRC Sideline Event



On 22 September 2025, Syeda Tahreem Bukhari made a substantive intervention at a UNHRC sideline event on the suppression of pro-Palestinian protests. She drew a clear parallel between the crackdown on pro-Palestinian voices and the situation in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK). Highlighting patterns of censorship, criminalization of dissent, and narrative control, she argued that freedom of expression is systematically curtailed to delegitimize resistance and suppress legitimate political struggles. Her intervention underscored the global nature of shrinking civic spaces under securitized state practices.

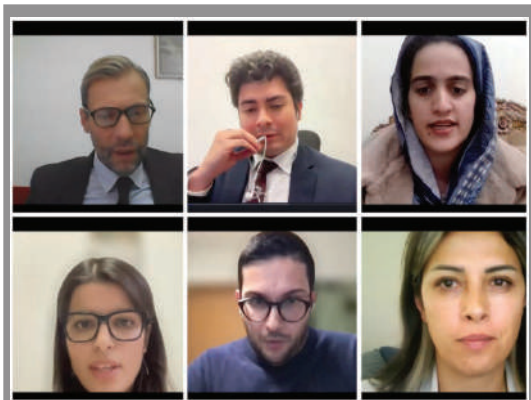
## Women at the Frontlines of Conflict: Sexual Violence, Reproductive Health, and Social Disruption in Kashmir



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violations in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK).

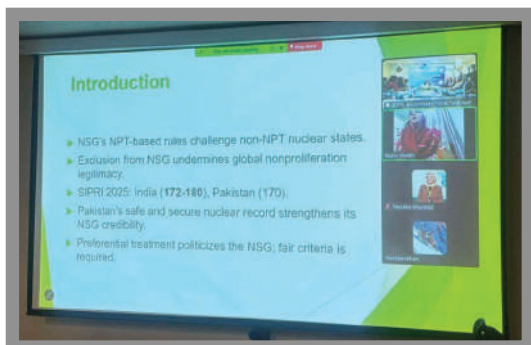
## India's Strategic Autonomy in the Age of Great Power Rivalry



On 21 November 2025, Syeda Tahreem Bukhari, Associate Director Research at CISS AJK, virtually presented her paper titled “India's Strategic Autonomy in the Age of Great Power Rivalry” at an international conference organized by DiPAM, Turkey. She analyzed India’s strategic positioning amid intensifying global power competition and its implications for South Asian regional security. Her presentation examined India’s defense modernization, multilateral engagements, and efforts to maintain strategic autonomy. She also highlighted how these moves affect regional stability and power dynamics. The session

contributed to informed discourse on great power rivalries and their local and global impacts.

## The NSG, Non-NPT States and the Future of Nonproliferation Norms in South Asia



On 26 November 2025, Nazia Sheikh, Research Officer, presented her paper at the conference titled “The NSG, Non-NPT States and the Future of Nonproliferation Norms in South Asia,” organized by Balochistan Think Tank Network (BTTN), Quetta. She discussed the challenges and prospects of nuclear nonproliferation in South Asia, focusing on the role of Non-NPT states and their integration into global frameworks like the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG). Her presentation highlighted the

implications of exclusionary practices on regional security and strategic stability. She emphasized the need for inclusive norms that address proliferation risks while promoting responsible nuclear stewardship. The session provided critical insights into shaping future nonproliferation policies in the region.

## NPT in the Third Nuclear Age: Reassessing the Treaty's Relevance amid Emerging Realities



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# INFOGRAPHICS

Infographics cut through the noise by turning fifty pages of technical analysis into something you can take in at a glance. They take complicated ideas like shifting trade alliances or emerging security threats and make them visible, so readers and policy makers alike can see the patterns without wading through dense text. More importantly, they keep the main story front and center, ensuring that the most important findings do not end up buried in the back pages where they are easily overlooked.

## Nuclear Micro-Reactors: Small-Scale Clean Energy

Nuclear micro-reactors are small, compact nuclear reactors designed to provide clean, efficient energy on a smaller scale, often for remote or off-grid locations.  
Under development in the United States



### Features

Micro reactors are not defined by their fuel form or coolant. Instead, they have three main features:

**1. Factory Fabricated.**



**2. Transportable**



**3. Self-Adjusting**



### Benefits

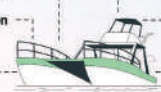
<p><b>Small &amp; Portable</b></p>  <p>Produce 1-20 Megawatts of Thermal Energy</p> 	<p><b>Simple Design</b></p>  <p>Generate Clean and Reliable Electricity for Commercial Use</p> 	<p><b>Quick On-Site Installation</b></p>  <p>Support Non-Electric Applications like District Heating, , Water Desalination &amp; Hydrogen Fuel Production</p> 
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## AMAN-MAJOR ACTIVITIES


### Harbour Activities

- Maritime Counter Terrorism Demo by SSG (N)/ Pak Marines
- Arrival of Participating Units
- Table Top Discussions (TTDs) on Professional Topics
- Opening Ceremony at PN Dockyard
- Calls & Visits including Ship Visits
- Wreath Laying
- International Band Display
- Friendly Sports Matches
- International Cultural Display & Food Gala



### AMAN Dialogue


- Summit of Chiefs of Navy/ Coast Guards
- Seminar encompassing Academic Activities of AMAN Dialogue
- Bilateral Meetings between Delegations



### Sea Activities

(1) International Fleet Review (IFR) - Scheduled at Sea on 11 February 2025

- RAS (L) Token
- Counter Piracy Demo by PN MSW Team
- Rocket Depth Charge (RDC) firing
- Surface Firing on Killer Tomato
- Fly Past by Air Units
- Man and Cheer Ship in honor of the Chief Guest



(2) Sea Activities including various Exercises to Practice Response against Maritime Security Threats in a Multinational Environment will be undertaken

### Special Operation Forces (SOF), Explosives Ordnance Disposal (EOD) and Marines Teams Participation

- Frontline Role against the Threat of Maritime Terrorism & other Crimes
- Number of exercises to develop Tactics, Techniques and Procedures (TTPs) for Combined Action by Multinational Forces


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## AMAN - OBJECTIVES

### Exercise AMAN

-  Promote Peace & Regional Cooperation
-  Enhance Interoperability with Regional and Extra-Regional Navies, Serving as a Bridge between Regions
-  Display United Resolve against Terrorism & Crimes in the Maritime Domain

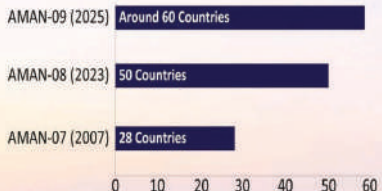
### AMAN Dialogue

-  Promote Shared Understanding of Regional Maritime Security Challenges & their Link to the Blue Economy
-  Assess Current Maritime Cooperation and Explore Innovative Solutions for Evolving Challenges at Sea
-  Formulate Suitable Strategies in Order to Enhance Maritime Security
-  Showcase Potential Contribution of Blue Economy towards overall Economic Growth of the Country

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## Exercise AMAN: A Growing Global Maritime Cooperation

<b>Total Exercises Held</b>	<b>9th Exercise Planned</b>	<b>Countries Participated in AMAN-2023</b>	<b>Countries Participating in AMAN-2025</b>
08	7-11 Feb 2025 Karachi, Pakistan	50	Around 60



AMAN-09 (2025): Around 60 Countries  
 AMAN-08 (2023): 50 Countries  
 AMAN-07 (2007): 28 Countries

### Purpose & Impact

- Global Trust & Confidence in Pakistan Navy's efforts
- AMAN Dialogue launched alongside AMAN-25
- Forum for Senior Leadership
- Focus: Regional Security & Evolving Maritime Challenges

#### Participants

Chiefs of Navies  
Coast Guards  
Defence Forces

#### Includes

Keynote Addresses  
Seminars on Maritime Affairs  
Multilateral & One-on-One Meetings

**AMAN Exercise: Building Maritime Security & Collaboration Worldwide**

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## AMAN 2025

### Pakistan's Commitment to Regional Peace and Security

#### Core Values

-  Peaceful Coexistence
-  Promotes Regional Harmony
-  Supports Global Stability

#### Key Contributions

-  UN Peacekeeping Missions
-  Active in Combined Maritime Task Forces 150 & 151
-  Participation in Multilateral Military Exercises

#### Pakistan Navy's Initiative

**AMAN Exercise**

- Launched in **2007**
- Held Biennially
- Aims to Enhance Regional & Global Cooperation
- "**Together for Peace**" Motto

**Call-to-Action**

**Pakistan's Ongoing Commitment to Global Peace & Security**

#### Historical Role

- Bridge for Regional Cooperation
- Facilitates Peaceful Collaboration between Nations

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## Conference on Disarmament (CD)

### What is the Conference on Disarmament (CD)?

- Established 1979
- Objective: Primary Multilateral Disarmament Negotiation Forum
- Members: 65 states
- UN Relationship: Independent body but Reports to UNGA
- Budget: Covered by the UN

### Background of CD and its Evolution

TNDC	Ten Nation Disarmament Committee	1960	ENDC	Eighteen Nations Disarmament Committee	1962-1969
CCD	Conference on Committee on Disarmament	1969-1979	CD	Committee on Disarmament	1979
CD	Renamed as Conference on Disarmament	1984			

### Key Treaties Negotiated by CD

- Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT)
- Biological & Toxic Weapons Convention (BTWC)
- Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC)
- Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT)
- Environmental Modification & Seabed Treaties

### Agenda

- Nuclear Disarmament
- FMCT Fissile Material Cut-off Treaty
- Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space (PAROS)
- Negative Security Assurances NSAs

### 2025 Plenary Meetings

- Started: January 20, 2025
- First Public Plenary Session: January 21, 2025
- Location: Palais des Nations, Gene

### Sessions

1st	20 January - 28 March	2nd	12 May - 27 June	3rd	28 July - 12 September
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### Presidency of CD: Four Working Weeks

Italy	20 January - 14 February	Japan	17 February - 14 March	South Korea	17-28 March & 12-23 May	Denmark	26 May - 20 June	Malaysia	23-27 June & 28 July-15 August	India	18 August - 12 September
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## Molten Salt Reactors (MSRs): A Game Changer in Nuclear Energy

### What Are MSRs?

Molten Salt Reactors (MSRs) are nuclear fission reactors that use molten salts as primary coolant/fuel, at low pressure.

### Key Potentials

- High Heat Absorption
- High Temperature Operation
- Industrial Use
- Hydrogen Production
- Minimal Nuclear Waste
- Cost-Effective & Efficient Energy Production
- Low Carbon Footprints
- Sustainable Fuel Cycle (U, Pu & Th)
- Passive Safety Features

### Leading Countries (Targeting Mid-2030s Deployment)

China, Canada, Russia, USA

### IAEA's Role

IAEA supports MSR development through workshops, standardization Nuclear Harmonization and Standardization Initiative (NHSI), research publications, and the Advanced Reactors Information System (ARIS) reactor database.

Molten Salt Reactors can help Pakistan achieve cost-effective and efficient energy production, but their high upfront cost remains a challenge. To address this, Pakistan can explore public-private partnerships, government subsidies, and international funding options.

## Social Media Usage in Pakistan

YouTube	71.7 million users
Facebook	44.5 million users
TikTok	54.38 million users
Instagram	17.3 million users

## Emerging Developments in Regulation of Artificial Intelligence Act 2024

Ministry of Information Technology & Telecommunication recently opposed the Regulation of Artificial Intelligence Act 2024 saying that it would be too early to come up with a Regulation for Technology that is Emerging since the Ecosystem is yet to develop.

### Regulation of Artificial Intelligence Act 2024

- Bill was tabled in Senate on August 09, 2024 by PMLN Senator Afnan Ullah Khan
- Draft Referred to Senate's Standing Committee on IT for further Deliberations

### Objectives

- To Monitor, Regulate, Superintend, and Supervise the dissemination of data and information at both national and international levels
- To establish a "secure and well-protected" AI system to drive growth and productivity in the country
- To establish a "National Artificial Intelligence Commission" with its headquarters in Islamabad
- To protect the privacy and safety of AI users and advocates for transparency in AI data collection, storage, and usage

Seeks to regulate the use of AI to mitigate "Various risks" associated with AI

Violations could result in fines ranging from Rs 1.5 - Rs 2.5 bn

Digital Rights Activists raise concerns about proposed legislation

## International Day for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Awareness (March 5th)

### Introduction

Established by: United Nations General Assembly

Resolution: A/RES/77/51

Adopted on: December 7, 2022

### Purpose of the Day

- Educating people on disarmament and non-proliferation
- Reducing the threat of armed conflicts
- Controlling the spread of dangerous weapons
- Addressing the impact of weapons on civilians

### Why Disarmament Matters?

<b>Today's Reality</b>	<b>Call to Action</b>
Over 12,500 nuclear weapons exist worldwide. Global military spending: \$2.2 trillion (2023). Arms control treaties face increasing challenges.	Support Disarmament Treaties & Agreements Promote Peace Education & Awareness Advocate for Stronger Non-Proliferation Policies

### Pakistan's Position on Disarmament

Supports non-discriminatory and balanced disarmament efforts

Advocates for universal disarmament

- Ensure undiminished security for all
- Genuine international efforts for resolution of long standing disputes

## Central Asian Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone (CANWFZ) Treaty: A Step Toward Nuclear Weapons Free World

Signed: September 8, 2006 | Entered into Force: March 21, 2009

### Member States:

Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan

### Background

Moscow declared itself an NWFZ, providing a regional role

Alanya Declaration endorsed CANWFZ

Final draft endorsed in Istanbul

### Treaty Obligations

- No Stockpiling: No acquisition or transfer of nuclear arms
- No Transfer: Prohibited nuclear weapons
- No Manufacture: No development, production, acquisition, storage, holding, transfer or use of nuclear weapons
- Verification & Compliance: IAEA safeguards required
- Final NWFZ Treaty: Must be completed

### Significance of the Treaty

Strengthening Asia's security

Enhancing regional stability

Negative Security Assurances (NSAs) from Nuclear Weapon States

Preventing nuclear risks & enhancing regional security

Preventing disarmament & non-proliferation

Strengthening global arms control efforts

### Pakistan's Role in NWFZ Proposals

Pakistan proposed South Asian NWFZ after 1995 nuclear tests in 1998

Supported call for NWFZ in South Asia

India: Rejected NWFZ proposal, preferred nuclear test ban in 1998

### Highlights

- IAEWZ promotes nuclear security
- Integrates disarmament, non-proliferation, and arms control
- Highlights the importance of regional cooperation

## UN EXPERTS CONDEMN INDIA

### UNLAWFUL USE OF FORCE & WATER COERCION AGAINST PAKISTAN

"India's actions appear to violate international law and fundamental human rights" — UN Experts

### PAHALGAM ATTACK 22 April 2025

26 Civilians killed

Terrorism must not Justify Unlawful Force

### VIOLATION OF INT'L LAW

- Breach of UN Charter Article 2(4)
- Use of Force Deemed Illegal

### ILLEGAL STRIKES ON PAKISTAN

- Air & Missile Attacks
- Civilian Casualties
- No Lawful Basis for Self-Defence

### MILLIONS AT RISK

- 250M People Impacted
- 80% of Pakistan's Agriculture Water & Food Security Threatened

### COURT REBUKE

Treaty cannot be Unilaterally Suspended

### UN DEMANDS ACCOUNTABILITY

- End Unlawful Force
- Restore Treaty Obligations
- Protect Human Rights

Source: UN Special Rapporteurs & Independent Expert | AL-IND/10/2025

### CEND Initiative: Advancing Global Arms Control & Disarmament

Launched 2019 | Participants 40+ Countries | Focus Areas Nuclear Disarmament, Arms Control, Emerging Threats

#### Why CEND

**Global security challenges**

- Expanding nuclear arsenals
- New delivery systems for weapons
- Regional crises
- Emerging technologies

**Traditional disarmament talks**

- Slow or stalled progress

#### How CEND Works

**Innovative Approach**

- Informal, open dialogue (vs. scripted national positions)
- Focus on "how to" achieve disarmament
- Generates practical solutions instead of consensus texts

**Diverse Participation**

- NPT Nuclear-Weapon States (NWS)
- NPT Non-Nuclear-Weapon States (NNWS)
- States outside the NPT

#### Structure

- 3 Subgroups
- Virtual & In-Person Meetings

#### Meetings

- 2019: First plenary – trust-building & identifying barriers.
- 2020-2023: Risk reduction, verification, regional security
- 2024: Vienna – focus on technology and regional tensions

#### Goal

Break the gridlock, introduce fresh ideas, and advance nuclear disarmament through inclusive, constructive discussions.

### Cost and Frequency of Cyber Attacks in Pakistan

**Financial Sector Cyberattacks**  
11.6% year-on-year increase in financial malware attacks

**Mobile Device Threats**  
Increasing vulnerability to financial cyberattacks

#### Top Threat Types

- Ransomware
- Phishing
- Espionage/Industrial Espionage

#### User Impact

Industrial Sector: 29.51% of ICS targeted in Pakistan

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### 3rd Meeting of States Parties to the TPNW 2025

3-7 March 2025 | UN Headquarters, New York, USA

94 Signatories | 73 States Parties | Host: United Nations | President: H.E. Ambassador Akan Rahmetullin (Kazakhstan)

#### Agenda

- Advancing Treaty Implementation
- Strengthening Multilateral Cooperation for Nuclear Disarmament
- Adoption of a Political Declaration

**Outcomes**

- Rejected Nuclear Deterrence
- Nuclear Risk = Global Threat
- Called for a Nuke-Free World as a Global Public Good

#### Key Decisions Adopted

- International Structure Established
- International Trust Fund for Victim Assistance & Environmental Cleanup
- Mandate to Review or the Scientific Advisory Group

#### Upcoming Milestone

1st TPNW Review Conference New York, 30 Nov-4 Dec 2026

#### Pakistan's Stand on TPNW

- Collaborative
- Based on Mutual Security for all States
- Inclusive

### Islamic Republic of Pakistan – BWC Overview

BWC Group NAM & Other States | BWC Ratification: 25 September 1974

#### Prohibitions & Legal Measures

- Export Control Act (2004): Defines biological weapons
- Patent Code (1997): Section 27A: Spreading diseases
- Anti-Terrorism Act (1997): Section 2(2)(b): The Term use & existence
- Judicial Precedent: Application to biological & chemical weapons (2014, 2015)

#### Main Laws

- Export Control Act (2004)
- Export Policy Order (2014)
- Licensing Rules (2014)

#### Biosecurity & Biosecurity

Regulatory Framework: Biosafety Rules (2005), Bio Safety Order (2014), Bio Safety Order (2014)

Institutions: Pakistan Institute of Biotechnology (PIBT), Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), National Institute of Health (NIH)

#### National Coordination

Lead Agency: Ministry of Foreign Affairs (National Contact Point)

Other Departments: Health, Science & Tech, Defense, Customs

#### UNSCR 1540 Reports

- 2004
- 2005
- 2008-09
- 2017
- 2020

#### BWC Working Papers

- 2015: Proposal for Article 3 Cooperation Mechanism
- 2022: Proposal for Art-IVC Working Group (2022)

#### Confidence Building Measures (CBMs)

- Submission 2019, 2019-2022, 2024 & next possible update

### Resetting the Disarmament Debate

#### Pakistan vs India

Pakistan	India
Proposes FMCT including all stockpiles in Treaty Scope	Lip service to FMCT - takes Pakistan's cover
Seek strategic balance, shuns inequality	Actually retains unsafeguarded 3000 kg Pu stockpile with 500+ warheads
NSAs and PAROS low hanging fruit	Favors non-binding norms over codifying PAROS (PPWT)

#### Outer Space Conduct

Pakistan	India
Party to all 5 UN space treaties, incl. Moon Agreement	Not a party to the Moon Agreement
Advocates PAROS as a legal priority	Conducted a kinetic ASAT test (2019) created 400+ debris pieces
Co-sponsors draft: PAROS (PPWT)	No assurance against targeting the space assets of partners

#### Negative Security Assurances (NSAs)

**Pakistan**

- Supports legally binding NSAs to protect non-nuclear states

#### Strategic Posture

Pakistan	India
Full Spectrum Deterrence within scope of Credible Minimum Deterrence	Fastest growing and largest unsafeguarded nuclear weapons program
No ICBMs	ICBMs and SLBMs (intercontinental range)
India Centric, no extra regional ambitions	MTCR guidelines relaxed, allowing vertical proliferation of missiles
	NISAR with U.S. in dual-use nature facilitates missile and military space ambition

**Pakistan advocates universal, verifiable, and non-discriminatory disarmament**

### The Cost of War for India – Economic Fallout of a 4-Week Conflict

**Total Estimated Economic Loss: \$100 Billion** (4-Week Conventional War)

**Refuses 20% Reduction of \$20 Billion Loss (During Postwar Standstill)**

**Loss Exceeds 10% of Current GDP (\$4.3 Trillion in 2024)**

**Comparable to IMF Assistance:** Argentina (2001), Greece (2010), Japan (2011)

**Flash Loss Example (2018 Air Strikes):** Within 10 minutes India Lost ~\$100 Million

**Nuclear Risk:** A limited nuclear exchange would have devastating and long-term effects on India's economy

**Systemic Vulnerabilities in India:**

- 1.2 Billion people live in poverty
- Only 2% high-income households
- Widespread corruption
- Widespread ill health

**Invisible Cost of War:** "Not just who 'wins' - includes Stranded Lives, Stranded Assets, Stranded Jobs, Stranded Confidence"

**Final Message:** War is an Economic Suicide. India's Growing Economy Sits in a Glass House - Peace is the Only Way to Protect it

### Resetting the Disarmament Debate Conference on Disarmament

Established: 1998 | Last Treaty: 1997 | Since 2016: No Progress of Work Done

**General & Complete Disarmament:** Inclusive, verifiable, non-discriminatory

#### CD & Strategic Selectivity Western Approach

Proposes Fissile Material Cut-off Treaty (FMCT)

FMCT - will retain huge stockpiles. It's cost free

Monitors incur no cost for the IAEA. Its stockpiles remain responsible

**Avoids Progress by:**

- Diversions tactics on PAROS
- Reluctance to give Negative Security Assurances (NSAs) to non-nuclear states

Disarmament must move from symbolism to substance – reinforcing the security of all states, not just a few

### Chashma-1 Longest Operational Run in Pakistan's Nuclear Energy History

**400 Days** Continuous Operation | **365 Days** Previous Record (Chashma Units C-2 & C-4)

**Total Nuclear Plants in Pakistan: 6**

- Chashma Plants (C-1 to C-4) Located in Islamabad
- Karachi Plants (K-2 & K-3)

**Chashma-1 Energy Output: 1,533 MW**

**100% compliance with Operational & safety standards**

**Value:** Support UN SDG-7 for affordable, reliable, and sustainable energy

### PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE 2025 NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE

Third Session | 28 April - 3 May 2025 | United Nations Headquarters, New York

**Background of NPT**  
 Opened for signature: July 1968 | Entry Into Force: 1970 | Extended indefinitely in 1995

**Multilateral Treaty (aimed at limiting the spread of nuclear weapons)**

- 01 Prevent the spread of nuclear weapons
- 02 Promote peaceful uses of nuclear energy
- 03 Further goals of nuclear disarmament

**Key Obligations under the NPT**

- States without nuclear weapons will not acquire them
- States with nuclear weapons will not transfer nuclear technology
- All states can access nuclear technology for peaceful purposes under IAEA safeguards

**Review Process in NPT**  
 Article VIII of the NPT: Mandates Review Conferences every 5 years since 1975. Since 1975, States agreed to strengthen the review process

**PrepCom Meetings**

- Held in each of the 5 years before a Review Conference
- Each meeting lasts 10 days
- If reached, a 4th PrepCom may occur in the year of the Review Conference

**Mandate**

- Address substantive and procedural issues
- Consider principles, objectives, and measures

**To Promote Full Treaty Implementation**

- 1 Focus on universality
- 2 Middle East resolution (1986)
- 3 Post-Review Conference outcomes

### Preparatory Committee for the 2025 NPT Review Conference

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**NPT Review Conferences Since 1995 (held every 5 years to assess Treaty implementation)**

- 1995**
  - Consensus reached
  - Final Document adopted with 13 practical steps toward disarmament
  - Review & Extension Conference
  - Treaty extended indefinitely
  - New Strengthened Review Process adopted
- 2000**
  - Consensus reached
  - 64-point Action Plan adopted
  - Focus on Middle East WMD-Free Zone
- 2005**
  - No consensus
  - Major disagreements on disarmament & Middle East
- 2010**
  - No consensus
  - Disputes on Middle East again stalled progress
- 2015**
  - No consensus
  - Russia objected to language on Ukraine war
- 2022**
  - No consensus
  - Russia objected to language on Ukraine war

**Summary**

- Only 2 of 5 Review Conferences since 1995 achieved consensus
- Increasing divisions over disarmament, security guarantees, and regional issues

### National Synergy in Operation Bunyan-ul-Marsus Lead to Mark-e-Haq

**Military success enabled by:**

- Armed forces preparedness
- Tactical superiority and operational readiness
- Scientific and technological community
- Diplomatic corps
- Political unity across all parties
- Supportive media
- Youth engagement in digital warfare, Public morale and prayers

**Mark-e-Haq stands as a comprehensive demonstration of Pakistan's integrated military strength, technological competence, and national unity in defence of sovereignty.**

### Pakistan Responds to Indian PM's Allegations

**Baseless Allegations Rejected**  
 Indian PM's remarks termed provocative, misleading, and politically motivated.

**Call for Restraint**  
 India urged to resolve disputes through dialogue—not warmongering.

**Peace or Weakness**  
 Pakistan committed to peace, but ready to defend its sovereignty.

**Clear Warning**  
 Any aggression will face a firm, proportionate response.

**Global Appeal**  
 World must note India's hate-driven rhetoric threatening regional peace.

**Violation of UN Charter**  
 Indian threats breach international law and responsible statecraft norms.

**Anti-Terror Stand**  
 Pakistan is a reliable partner in global counter-terrorism efforts.

**Kashmir Highlighted**  
 Human rights abuses in IIOJK exposed; Kashmiris' struggle reaffirmed.

### Key Resilient Features of Small Modular Reactors (SMRs)

- Black Start**: SMRs can start without external power, helping the grid recover from outages.
- Islanding**: Can operate independently or with a microgrid, powering critical facilities like hospitals and military bases.
- Underground Construction**: Built underground to withstand extreme weather, earthquakes, and EMP threats.
- Fuel Security**: On-site fuel storage allows SMRs to operate for up to a decade without external supply interruptions.
- Modularity**: Modular design with passive cooling systems ensures safe operation without the need for electric pumps or operator intervention.

### Pakistan's Four Disarmament Resolutions Adopted by UN First Committee

United Nations | 8 Nov 2025 | 80th UNGA Session

**Pakistan's Leadership in Global and Regional Disarmament Reaffirmed**

**Adopted Resolutions**

- Regional disarmament - unanimously Adopted
- Confidence-Building Measures (CBMs) - Unanimously Adopted
- Negative Security Assurances - Adopted with Overwhelming Majority
- Conventional Arms Control (regional/sub-regional) - Adopted with Overwhelming Majority

**Key Themes**

- Peace
- Security
- Trust
- Restraint

Pakistan will continue these efforts through the Conference on Disarmament, UN Disarmament Commission, and UNGA First Committee.

### Marka-e-Haq 22 April 2025 to 10 May 2025

Trigger: Indian military attacks on the night of 6-7 May 2025  
 Pakistan's Response: Operation Bunyanum Marsous (initiated 9-10 May 2025)

**Mission Objectives**

- Avenge the loss of innocent civilians (women, children, elderly)
- Deter further aggression
- Target military installations responsible for attacks and terrorism

**Technological Edge**

- Real-time situational awareness
- Network-centric warfare
- Seamless tri-services joint operations
- Precision engagement and high operational tempo
- Advanced cyber warfare and unmanned systems

**Precision Strikes**

**Platforms Used**

- Falch F1 & F2 missiles (Army)
- Long-range lobbing munitions
- Precision-guided munitions (PAF)
- Long-range artillery

**Key Indian Targets Destroyed**

- 26 military installations including airbases, command HQs, logistics depots
- Brahmos storage sites (Bass & Nagrota)
- 8-400 systems (Adampur & Bhuj)
- Proxy training camps and intelligence units (Rajauri & Naushera)

**Air Defence & Aerial Victories**

**Indian Aircraft Destroyed:**

- 3 Rafales
- 1 SU-30
- 1 Mig-29
- 1 Heron UAV
- 1 Mirage 2000 fighter jet

**No Pakistani aircraft lost**

### IAEA Board of Governors Meeting 9-13 June, 2025

Theme: Nuclear Energy: Safer, Smarter, Stronger

**Ukraine Nuclear Status**

- Zaporizhzhya: Cold shutdown remains in place
- Chernobyl: Damage reported from drone strikes
- IAEA Support: Ensuring safety and supporting new builds

**Fukushima Monitoring**

- Treated Water Discharges: Within safety limits
- Tritium Levels: Verified safe
- International Oversight by Experts from China, Russia, South Korea, Switzerland

**AI & Nuclear Integration**

- AI applications: Accelerating reactor deployments
- Nuclear Energy: Powering data centers

**Iran Nuclear Status**

- IAEA cannot confirm peaceful intent without full transparency
- Urges diplomacy and strong verification for regional stability

**Women in Nuclear**

- 760+ fellows from 129 countries

**Amnon Akhtar reaffirmed Pakistan's commitment to peaceful nuclear use, equitable safeguards, nuclear safety, gender parity, and support for small Modular Reactors**

### CJSC General Sahir Shamshad Mirza NI (M)-IBIS Shangri-La Dialogue 2025

**Asia-Pacific at a Crossroads**

Fragile and reactive crisis management mechanisms. Strategic trust must come before systems.

**Inclusion & Dialogue**

- No stability without equal participation
- Ad hoc responses are not enough; structured protocols are essential

**Tech Outpaces Doctrine**

- AI, cyber threats converge: decision-making speed
- Need modern tools for modern risks

**Don't Ignore South Asia**

- Kashmir remains a flashpoint
- Two nuclear powers, one volatile region excludes at your peril

**Post-Pahalgam Realities**

- Escalation threshold dangerously low
- Water diversion, civilian strikes are red lines

**From Management to Resolution**

- Revive existing frameworks no need for new ones. Conflict resolution > crisis control.

**Final Call**

- Peace in South Asia needs Kashmir resolution under UN mandates
- Strategic discipline, restraint, and respect must define future engagements.

### IAEA Board of Governors Meeting 9-13 June, 2025

Theme: Nuclear Energy: Safer, Smarter, Stronger

**Global Nuclear Snapshot**

- 416 Total Reactors
- 31 Countries with Nuclear Power
- 376+ GW Total Capacity

**Electricity Contribution**

- 25% Global Low-Carbon Energy
- 10% Global Electricity

**Small Modular Reactors (SMRs)**

**Next Session**

**Regional Growth in Nuclear Energy**

- Asia & Europe:** China accelerating builds; Japan restoring safety; South Korea expanding exports; Europe regions confidence.
- Africa Rising:** Egypt 4 new reactors; Ghana, Nigeria, Morocco, Sudan, Uganda, Niger.
- Americas:** United States invests in SMRs & microreactors; Brazil & Argentina advancing nuclear programs.

### Attacks on Nuclear Facilities: A Violation of International Norms

IAEA Resolutions on Attacks Against Nuclear Facilities

**1983** First resolution condemning attacks (Geneva Option)

**1984** Pakistanes (underdeveloped, undeveloped, undeveloped)

**1986** Concern over rising threats, emergence IAEA sites

**1987** Nuclear terrorism, encourage reporting of attacks

**1989** Pakistanes (undeveloped, undeveloped)

**2000** Safeguards must be used to target installations

**1990** Detonate attacks a crime against international peace

**IAEA and US Strikes 2025**

All under IAEA safeguards as per NPT obligations

IAEA confirmed the strikes as violation of international law

Attacks Violate

- IAEA Statute Article 8.B (Prohibit use of nuclear energy)
- IN Chapter Article 3(A) (Prohibition of threat or use of force)
- Customary international law (Prohibition of civilian infrastructures)

### Pakistan's National AI Policy 2025

Approved by: Federal Cabinet

Aligned with: PM Shehbaz Sharif's Digital Nation Vision

Goal: Ethical, Inclusive, and Innovative AI for National Progress

#### 6 Strategic Pillars of Pakistan's AI Policy

- AI Innovation Ecosystem**: Launch of National AI Fund (NAIF), 7 Centres of Excellence in Major Cities, Support for R&D and Commercialization
- Awareness & Readiness**: Train 200,000 Individuals/Year, Award 3,000 Scholarships, Offer 20,000 Paid Internships, AI Literacy for Marginalized Groups
- Secure AI Ecosystem**: Regulatory Sandboxes, Cybersecurity Protocols, Transparency & Data Protection Frameworks
- Transformation & Evolution**: AI Adoption in Health, Education, Agriculture, Governance, Sectoral Roadmaps & Workforce Upskilling, Performance Evaluation Systems
- AI Infrastructure**: National Compute Grid, Centralized Datasets & AI Hubs, Cloud-Based Resources for Scalability
- International Partnerships**: Joint Research Projects, Cross-Border AI Collaboration, Compliance with Global Standard

### Pakistan's Statement at OEWG on PAROS

22 July 2025

"Space must remain a realm of Peace, Not Warfare"

**Holistic Threat Assessment**: "No Blind Spots", Consider all Threats—Kinetic and Non-Kinetic—Build a Meaningful Arms Control Foundation

**Dual Focus: Capabilities & Behaviours**: "Balanced and Proven Approach", Tackle What States Possess and How They Act, not on Number of Chemical Weapons Treaties

**Legally Binding Treaty**: "We Need Rules, not Rhetoric", Support a Formal International Treaty Built on Prior UN Work Like the OGE on PAROS

**UN Coordination, No Duplication**: "Work Together, Stay Focused", Avoid Overlap with Bodies like COPIC, Keep CIVIC Treaty Focused on Arms Race Stoppage

**Equity & Non-Discrimination**: "Space is for Everyone", Prevent Space from Becoming a Fewer Monopoly, Ensure No State Locks in Unfair Military Advantage

**Peaceful Access for All**: "Guarantee the Right of all States—Especially Developing Ones—to Use Outer Space for Peaceful Purposes"

### Why India Legally Cannot Stop Pakistan's Water?

The UN Water Courses Convention Article 5 (1)

"Provide the maximum benefit to each state from the uses of the waters with the minimum detriment to each."

The Madrid Declaration 1991

"The regime of rivers and lakes, contiguous or successive, could not be altered by one state to the detriment of a co-riparian without the consent of the other."

Declaration of Montevideo 1933 Article 2

"No state may, without the consent of the other riparian state, introduce into water courses of an international character, for industrial or agricultural exploitation of their waters, any alterations which may prove injurious to other interested states."

Helinski Rules 1988 on the Uses of the Waters of International Rivers Article 4, Chapter 2

"Each Basin State is entitled, within its territory, to a reasonable and equitable share in the beneficial uses of the waters of an international drainage basin"

Under international law, India as the upper riparian cannot divert Indus waters to Pakistan's detriment without prior approval.

Source: Dr. Aruna Shrivastava's book on Sharing Rivers With China and Pakistan

### Can India "Turn Off the Tap"?

The 1960 Indus Waters Treaty

Mediator: World Bank

Pakistan Received: Indus, Jhelum, Chena

India Received: Ravi, Beas, Sutlej

### Can India Block Pakistan's Water? Only if you ignore

Terrain, Hydrology, Basic Engineering

India's Live Storage on Western Rivers: 4.5 BCM

Pakistan's Annual Need: 120+ BCM

Project	Capacity	Type
Ishanganga	330 MW	Run-of-the-river
Baglihar	900 MW	Run-of-the-river
Rate	850 MW	Run-of-the-river

Designed to generate electricity, not block rivers

Can India Divert the Flow East? Only if it wants to

- Defy the Himalayan gradient
- Dig through tectonic fault lines
- Risk ecological collapse

That's not strategy—it's self-harm at scale.

Why Does This Narrative Keep Coming Back?

- It sells
- It scores headlines
- "Starve the enemy" sounds tough in echo chambers

### Timeline of High-Profile Visits and Indian False Flag Operations in IOJK to Hailin Pakistan

Incidents	High-Profile Visits	Later Revelations
Chattisinghpura 2009: 34 Sikh civilians were killed	Visit of U.S. President William J. (Bill) Clinton to India	Lt Gen Gill (Retd) confirmed Indian army's role in the massacre.
Baramulla 2003: 2 children and women were killed	Pakistan's visit to Russia	India framed Kashmiri Muslims to justify draconian laws and impunity.
UN 2016: 19 Indian soldiers were killed	Pakistan's significant international diplomatic and military events	False flag to isolate Pakistan during UN speech, SAARC summit, and Russia drills.
Pahalgam 2018: 44 Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) personnel were killed	Visit of Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman to Pakistan	L.O. Satya Pal Malik called it a political stunt; BJP used it for votes.
Pahalgam 2019: 30 civilians, including tourists were killed	Visit of U.S. Vice President J.D. Vance to India	False flag to blame Pakistan; propaganda still unfolding.

### RAW Exposed: False Flag Operation in Pahalgam

Major Revelations

- Telegram leak from RAW to Pahalgam attack
- From Pakistan & ISI, very global opinion, gain sympathy
- Sign of internal dissent within RAW against military agenda

Strategy Breakdown

- Pre-Attack: Media assets estimated 24-36 hrs ahead, Promote blame on Pakistan's official channel
- Disinformation: Fake videos, AI addresses, 300+ social accounts, Request to close the northern command
- Narrative Control: Shift focus from Kashmir to global "Islamic terror", Deploy "Battered Spies" to spread disinformation
- Contingencies:
  - Escalation in the region: India may lose its case of blame, Used threat to pressure US to lead in global and UN discussions
  - Operational Failures: 3-6 hrs for follow-ups or diversions
  - Additional Challenges & Risks: Incomplete control, "Terror-3000" for implementing, Risk of spill-over to regional stability, Risk of blame on CRPF and domestic intelligence.

Aftermath Protocol

- Operative go back to normal (6-8 hrs)
- Final order deactivating channel by April 20, 2025

### 5th February: Kashmir Solidarity Day

#### Pakistan's Economic Support for AJK

Electricity subsidies: Affordable Energy for AJK Residents

Producers	Produce
2,362.820 MW (AJK)	30,000 MW (EPK)

Rs. 03 per unit (first 100 units)  
Rs. 05 per unit (next 200 units)

Rs. 23.59 per unit (first 100 units)  
Rs. 30.07 per unit (next 100 units)

#### Wheat Subsidies: Ensuring Food Security

Pakistan's Largest Wheat Producer

State	Price Range
Punjab	Rs. 60 - Rs. 100 per kg
AJK	Rs. 140 - Rs. 170 per kg

Financial Support: Pakistan as AJK's Economic Backbone

Category	Value
Total AJK Budget (2024-2025)	Rs. 264.033 billion
AJK's Own Revenue	Rs. 95.170 billion (47%)
Pakistan's Contribution	Rs. 105 billion (52%)

Additional Support

- Rs. 1 billion in water usage charges
- Rs. 23 billion in special funds

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##### Pakistan's Human & Infrastructure Development in AJK

Human Development Index (HDI)

Region	HDI
AJK	0.71
IOJK	0.68

Infrastructure and Connectivity

Road Density

Region	Road Density (km per sq. km)
AJK	0.78
IOJK	0.1214

### Misplaced Concerns: Reassessing Pakistan's Ballistic Missile Program in a Regional Context

Pakistan's Strategic Doctrine: An India-Centric Approach

India Focused: Nuclear Deterrence, Regional Influence, No ICBM program, Defense Posture

Global & Regional & Targets: Long-Range Intercontinental, Power Projection, Regional Assistance, Forwarding Arsenal

Material Advancements:

- Pakistan: Shaheen-III, Focus on Efficiency
- India: Agni-V & Agni-VH, Highlights Extended Range due to Composite Materials

External Assistance:

- Pakistan: Indigenous Development
- India: Assistance from US, France, Israel, and France; Tech Types (e.g., Solid-Fuel Tech, ICBM, Guidance Systems)

Double Standards in Non-Proliferation Policies:

- Pakistan: Sanctions, Shamed Scrutiny
- India: Proliferation Record Scrutinized for MTCR Membership, No Sanctions, Unhindered Access to Emerging Technologies

US Sanctions: Counterproductive Impact

Sanctions — Strategic Imbalance — Increased Tensions — Regional Instability

### Comparative Analysis: Pahalgam vs. BrahMos Incidents

Pahalgam Attack (April 22, 2025)	BrahMos Missile Incident (March 9, 2022)
Location: Baramulla Valley, Pahalgam, IOJK	Location: Crossed international border fall in Man Chattru, Kharnool District, Punjab, Pakistan
26 civilians (25 tourists, 1 local Muslim)	No casualties reported
India's Response: Suspended Indus Waters Treaty, Ban Pakistani nationals under the SAARC Visa Scheme, Expel Pakistani military advisers and recall Indian ones	India's Response: No ceasefire, no apology, or joint investigation response stayed limited to internal action
Pakistan's Response: Demanded for an independent and credible inquiry from third party or by a joint team from Pakistan and India	Pakistan's Response: Diplomatic protests by Pakistan, Demanded joint investigation, Concerns over command and control systems in India

### DON'T CROSS THE LINE OPERATION SWIFT RETORT

#### The Balakot Misadventure

Mirage 2000's

Around 3:30 AM

One Crow killed  
Few Precious Pine Trees Damaged

#### Operation Swift Retort

JF-17 Thunder, Mirage III Rose

Around 9:15 AM

Indian Jets, a MiG-21 Bison and an SU-30 Shot Down by PAF

Indian Wing Commander Abhinandan Varthaman captured

Mi-17 Helicopter Shot Down by IAF

Source: DAWN

### Operation Swift Retort: Pakistan's Response to Indian Aggression

**Key Message**

- Strategic & Proportionate Response by the Pakistan Air Force (PAF) to Indian Airforce Violation
- Demonstrating Pakistan's Military Readiness & Commitment to Regional Peace
- Capture of Wing Commander Abhinandan, Reaffirming Pakistan's Deterrence Capability

**Timeline of Events (February 14-27, 2019)**

February 14	February 15-16	February 17	February 18	February 19	February 20	February 21	February 22	February 23	February 24	February 25	February 26	February 27
India Launches Balakot Strike	PAF Launches Swift Retort	PAF Captures Abhinandan	India Shoots Down PAF Jets	PAF Shoots Down Indian Jets	India Shoots Down PAF Helicopter	PAF Releases Abhinandan	India Withdraws SU-30	PAF Withdraws JF-17	India Withdraws Mirage III	PAF Withdraws Mirage III	India Withdraws SU-30	PAF Withdraws JF-17

**Strategic Messaging & Responses**

- Indian Narrative:** "Surgical Strike on Terrorist Camps", "SU-30 Shot Down by PAF", "Abhinandan Showed Bravery"
- Pakistan Response:** "No Surrender, only Peace with KR in Jammu Forest", "No PAF is was Last (Confirmed by US and Experts)", "Captured, Treated with Dignity and Later Released"

**The Abhorrent & Global Reactions**

- India Nations Called for Restraint & Dialogue
- China Urged De-escalation
- US Intelligence Confirmed there were no Camps
- Russia Offered Mediation
- India Media Wary of Global War Escalation

**Pakistan's Key Takeaways:**

- No Compromise on Sovereignty - Retained Escalation Control
- Deterrence Achieved - Proving Military & Diplomatic Maturity
- Peaceful Inset Surrendered - Wing Commander Abhinandan was Released

### Kashmiri Women's Resistance Day 23rd February 2024

There are several incidents related to mass rape, disgrace, and molestation of women by Indian armed forces. Indian forces are using rape as a weapon of war in IOJK.

- 7 March 1990 - Chhapanora Mass Rape
- 10 August 1990 - Padipora Mass Rape
- 23 February 1991 - Kunan Poshpora Mass Rape
- 5 October 1991 - Doad Mass Rape
- 10 October 1993 - Chak Salkipora Mass Rape
- 20 July 1995 - Haran Mass Rape
- 10 October 1995 - Chak Salkipora Mass Rape
- 22 April 1997 - Wevooas Mass Rape
- 27 May 2009 - Shopian Rape and Murder Case
- 10 January 2018 - Kathua Rape Case

Article 27 of International Convention Law states that: "women shall be specially protected against any attack on their honor, in particular against rape, forced prostitution, or any form of indecent assault."

### Pulwama Crisis: Brecher's Four-Stage Crisis Model

- 1. Onset Phase (Pre-Crisis)**

Trigger Event: February 14, 2019 - Suicide attack in Pulwama

India's Reaction: No investigation, accused a banned organization, alleged Pakistan's involvement.

Escalation Signs: India revoked Pakistan's Most Favored Nation (MFN) status, imposed 200% tariffs on Pakistani goods, denied involvement, India used incident for political gains.
- 2. Escalation Phase (Peak Crisis)**

Military Response: February 26, 2019 - India conducted an airstrike in Balakot, claimed to have targeted a terrorist training camp (later disproved).

Pakistan's Retaliation: February 27, 2019 - Pakistan strikes took Indian military installations on target, fired near them to avoid escalation, major incident, Pakistan shot down two Indian jets, captured Indian pilot Abhinandan Varthaman.

Nuclear Threats: Indian Leadership Flashed the use of nuclear weapons, Pakistan Called NCA Meeting.
- 3. De-escalation Phase (Mutually Agreed Schemed)**

Pakistan's Strategic Move: Returned the captured Indian pilot.

A peace gesture towards de-escalation: The US, China and international community urged restraint.
- 4. Post-Crisis Phase (Long-Term Impact)**

Worsening Tensions: India revoked Articles 370 & 35A, scrapped special status of IOJK further escalating bilateral tensions, escalating bilateral tensions, Indian leadership offensive rhetoric continues.

**Key Takeaway**

Pakistan responsibly de-escalated the situation

Escalated India's response to nuclear threats

Long-term damage remains unclear

Source: IOJK Journal, vol. 37, 2023, pp. 29-33

### The K-5 Conundrum: India's Rising Missile Reach and the Global Blind Spot

**K-5's True Significance**

- A quiet transformation from regional deterrence to global reach
- Mobile Strike Capability
- Not tethered to static geography, the K-5 possesses latent intercontinental strike capability
- Global Targets Within Range: US, Europe, Russia, and China. Pacific territories within range
- Silence from Major Powers
- Triggered little concern among the very states that once championed non-proliferation
- MTCR and Dual-Use Tech
- Facilitated rather than constrained India's access to sensitive system
- Pakistan Sanctioned, India Enabled
- U.S. sanctioned Pakistan while remaining silent on India's ICBM development
- Prestige, Not Necessity
- India's missile trajectory shaped by ambition, not necessity
- Strategic Autonomy, Strategic Leverage
- It is not value-neutral—it is a doctrine of leverage
- Arms Control Contradictions
- Architecture of the global non-proliferation regime now reinforcing them
- Western Complicity
- The world's silence is not neutrality—it is complicity

### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2025 Rights | Equality | Empowerment

## MARCH 2025

#### Suffering of Kashmiri Women in IOJK : Violation of Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Agenda

- 1. Visibility and audibility**
  - Sufferings and sacrifices missing from conflict landscape of IOJK
- 2. Failure in Protection**
  - Over 11,000 cases of molestation and rape
- 3. Lack of Prevention**
  - Over 2,353 women martyred
  - Over 22,980 widowed
  - 2500 half widows
- 4. No Relief and Recovery in IOJK**
  - Psychological trauma untreated
  - 50% women - probable depression
  - 36% Anxiety Disorder
  - 22% Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
  - Infertility ratio 17.5 % in IOJK due to trauma

### War Chronicles 1965

**STRENGTH**

Category	Pakistan	India
Infantry	260,000	700,000
Aircraft	280	700+
Tanks	756	720
Artillery	552	628

**LOSSES**

Category	Pakistan	India
Territory Captured	446 sq. miles	1617 sq. miles
Human Losses	1033	9500
Tanks Lost	165	475
Aircrafts Destroyed	14	110

Source: South Asia Times

### International Day of PEACE SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

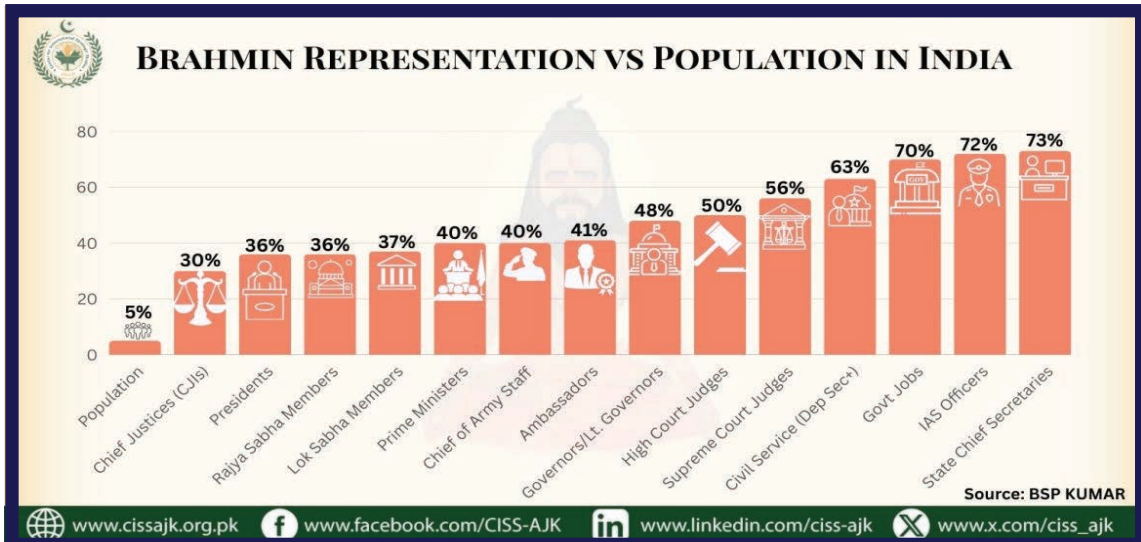
#### HUMAN RIGHT VIOLATIONS IN IOJK

The International Day of Peace and its call to 'Act Now for a Peaceful World' highlights the urgency of addressing the protracted conflict in IOJK, where decades of Indian occupation, violence, and displacement have denied Kashmiris their right to self-determination. Sustainable peace remains unattainable without justice and dignity for the people of IOJK.

#### HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN IOJK SINCE 1989

Children Orphaned: 107,941	Children Arrests: 168,939
Pellet Victims: 25,000	Custodial Killings: 7,322
Women Molested: 11,259	Structures Destroyed: 110,509

Source: Legal Forum for Kashmir



### INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

December 10, 2025

**"No one shall be subjected to torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment."**  
Article 05, Universal Declaration of Human Rights

<b>179,755</b> Civilian Arrested	<b>110,562</b> Structures Destroyed	<b>108,007</b> Children Orphaned	<b>22,991</b> Women Widowed
<b>11,269</b> Women Molested	<b>96,480</b> Total Killings	<b>7,408</b> Fake Encounters	

Human Rights Violations in IIOJK (January 1989 to Nov 2025)

Source: KMS

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### PAKISTAN-IAEA PARTNERSHIP

#### Tackling Cancer Through Peaceful Nuclear Technology

**The Global Cancer Crisis**

- Pakistan: 100,000+ Deaths Every Year
- Worldwide: 10+ Million Deaths Annually
- By 2025: 75% Increase in Cancer Deaths
- Greatest Impact: Developing Countries

**IAEA's Rays of Hope Initiative**

- Radiotherapy & Imaging
- Modern Treatment Equipment
- Support, Training & Education
- Safe Nuclear Technology

**Pakistan's Response**

- 21 Cancer Hospitals
- Skilled Oncology Workforce
- KINOR Inaugurated
- Institute of Nuclear Medicine Oncology & Radiotherapy

**Advanced Cancer Care**

- NORI & INMOL Hospitals
- First Public-Sector CyberKnife

**Capacity Building & Leadership**

- Strengthening Cooperation
- Expanding Access to Care
- Fighting the Cancer Crisis

**United for a Cancer-Free Future**

# **NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENTS**



# 60th Session of the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC)

From 16 to 27 September 2025, Syeda Tahreem Bukhari, Associate Director Research at CISS AJK, attended the 60th Session of the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) in Geneva. Representing the Kashmiri perspective, she engaged in discussions on human rights violations, political repression, and the ongoing crisis in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK). Her participation highlighted the plight of Kashmiri civilians, particularly women and marginalized groups, and emphasized the need for international accountability. Tahreem Bukhari's contributions underscored CISS AJK's commitment to global advocacy and raising awareness on critical human rights issues. The session provided a platform for networking with international experts, policymakers, and civil society representatives to advance dialogue on human rights and conflict resolution.



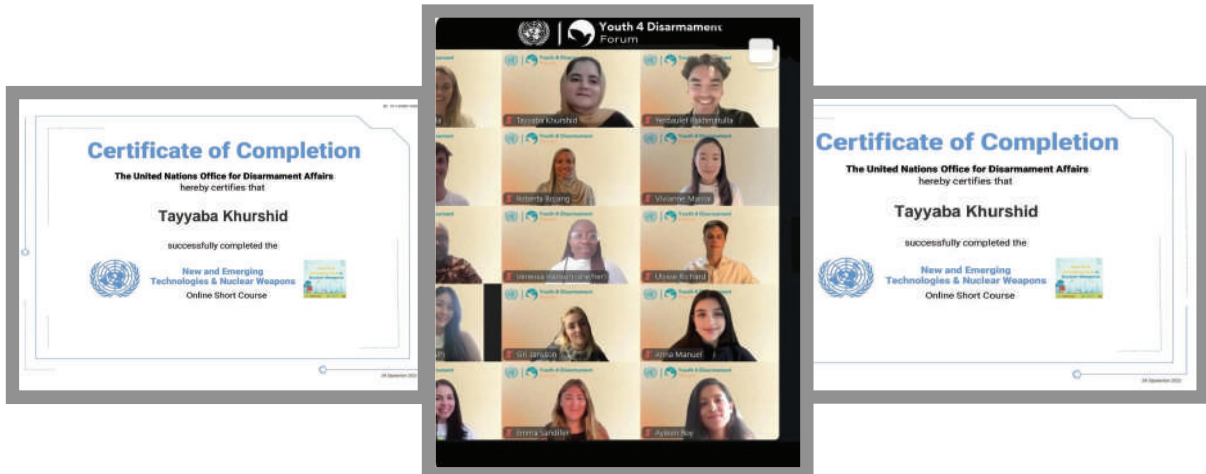
# UN Youth4Disarmament Forum 2025

In October 2025, Tayyaba Khurshid, Research Officer at CISS AJK, was selected by the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs to participate in the UN Youth4Disarmament Forum 2025 held in New York. She engaged virtually in this three-month program, attending thematic webinars, workshops, and panel discussions, while also contributing to UNODA's social media advocacy through recorded videos. Her participation highlighted youth leadership in promoting disarmament, strategic awareness, and global security education. This engagement underscored CISS AJK's active role in international peacebuilding initiatives and its collaboration with UN platforms, while also providing opportunities to interact with global experts and contribute to policy-relevant discussions on arms control and strategic stability.



On 15 September 2025, Tayyaba Khurshid represented CISS AJK as a speaker and panelist in an international engagement organized by the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs. She addressed emerging challenges in global disarmament, arms control, and youth engagement in peace and security initiatives, emphasizing the importance of multilateral cooperation, awareness campaigns, and policy interventions in advancing sustainable security practices. Her participation reflected CISS AJK's continued contribution to international discourse on strategic stability and global governance, while also facilitating knowledge exchange among experts, scholars, and young leaders.

From August to November 2025, her engagement under the UN Youth4Disarmament Program reflected a structured and impactful contribution to global disarmament discourse. During this period, she attended two thematic webinars and completed two specialized online certifications on "Youth and Disarmament" and "New and Emerging Technologies and Nuclear Weapons," strengthening her subject expertise. She actively contributed to advocacy efforts by producing video content for Youth4Disarmament social media platforms and participated as a speaker in the 2nd thematic webinar. Demonstrating collaborative engagement, she worked with over 30 participants on the Youth4Disarmament Outcome Document and authored a news story on the thematic webinar, which was published on the Youth4Disarmament Forum website. Additionally, she was selected as a panelist for the High-Level Opening Session of the United Nations Youth4-Disarmament Forum 2025; however, her participation in this session could not materialize due to visa constraints.



## Quantifying Electoral Politics of Congress and BJP



On 9 January 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja participated in the launch of the Special Study titled “Quantifying Electoral Politics of Congress and BJP” at the India Study Centre, Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI). The event marked the release of this first-of-its-kind quantitative analysis of India’s 18th Lok Sabha elections, examining political trends through metrics such as caste, religious affiliation, wealth, and familial ties. Dr. Khawaja joined a distinguished panel of experts who provided

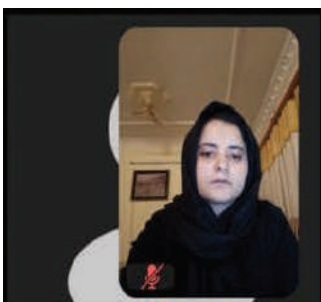
insights on the study’s findings and the broader implications for Indian electoral politics. She highlighted critical observations regarding the state of Indian democracy and challenged dominant narratives about political representation. The session contributed to informed discussion on electoral dynamics and democratic governance in India.

## Kashmir Cultural Festival



On 27 January 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja and Research Officer Saba Ghulam Nabi participated in the Kashmir Cultural Festival, organized by the Institute of Kashmir Studies at the University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir (UAJK), Muzaffarabad. The event celebrated Kashmiri heritage, arts, and cultural expressions while fostering deeper appreciation of regional identity. Both representatives engaged with scholars, artists, and students, highlighting the importance of cultural preservation in sustaining community resilience and solidarity.

## 5th February Kashmir Day



On 3 February 2025, Research Officer Tayyaba Khurshid represented CISS AJK at the 5th February Kashmir Day event, organized by the Jammu & Kashmir Development and Freedom Forum (JKDFF). She participated in commemorative activities and discussions that highlighted the historical significance of Kashmir Solidarity Day and ongoing struggles in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK). Her presence underscored CISS AJK’s solidarity with Kashmiri aspirations for rights, justice, and self-determination. The event served as a platform to amplify awareness and reinforce commitments toward the Kashmir cause.

## Kashmir Solidarity and Voices of Youth

On 4 February 2025, Research Officer Tayyaba Khurshid and Associate Research Officer Abdul Basit participated in the “Kashmir Solidarity and Voices of Youth” event organized by the



Institute of Policy Studies Islamabad in collaboration with multiple think tanks. The session brought together youth leaders, researchers, and policy practitioners to amplify Kashmiri voices and discuss avenues for meaningful engagement in regional and international discourse. Tayyaba Khurshid and Abdul Basit contributed to discussions on youth perspectives, advocacy strategies, and Institute of Policy Studies Islamabad in collaboration with multiple think tanks. The session brought together youth leaders, researchers, and policy practitioners to amplify Kashmiri voices and

discuss avenues for meaningful engagement in regional and international discourse. Tayyaba Khurshid and Abdul Basit contributed to discussions on youth solidarity initiatives. Their participation highlighted CISS AJK’s commitment to empowering youth and shaping inclusive narratives on the Kashmir issue. The event fostered inter-organizational collaboration and youth-led dialogue on peace and justice.

## Kashmir Solidarity Day: A Commitment to Peace, Rights, and Self-Determination



On 7 February 2025, Tayyaba Khurshid, Research Officer at CISS AJK, participated in the event “Kashmir Solidarity Day: A Commitment to Peace, Rights, and Self-Determination,” organized by the India Study Center (ISC) at the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI). The session underscored Pakistan’s enduring support for the Kashmiri struggle and emphasized peace, human rights, and self-determination as core principles. Tayyaba Khurshid contributed to discussions on strengthening narratives of solidarity and international engagement for the Kashmir cause. Her participation highlighted CISS AJK’s active role in policy dialogues and knowledge platforms that reinforce global awareness and commitment to justice for Kashmir.

## Revitalizing AJK’s SDG-2030 Roadmap: Pathways to Sustainable Development

On 8 February 2025, Hira Bashir, Associate Research Officer (ARO) at CISS AJK, participated in The National Conference on Revitalizing AJK’s SDG-2030 Roadmap: Pathways to Sustainable Development, organized by the University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir (UAJK). The conference



brought together policymakers, academics, development practitioners, and civil society to deliberate on actionable strategies for advancing sustainable development goals in Azad Jammu & Kashmir. Hira Bashir contributed to thematic sessions on inclusive growth, environmental resilience, and institutional partnerships, emphasizing evidence-based

approaches to SDG integration. She highlighted the importance of multi-stakeholder engagement and long-term planning to achieve regional sustainability targets. Her participation underscored CISS AJK’s support for collaborative efforts geared toward advancing the SDG-2030 agenda in AJK. The event strengthened dialogue on development pathways and reinforced commitments to socio-economic transformation in the region.

## Understanding Fundamentals of India's Contemporary Strategic Culture



On 27 February 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director of CISS AJK, participated in the seminar “Understanding Fundamentals of India’s Contemporary Strategic Culture,” organized by the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI). The session brought together strategic thinkers and policy experts to explore the foundational drivers of India’s security doctrine, defense postures, and geopolitical outlook. Dr. Khawaja contributed insights on the interplay between India’s historical strategic traditions and its modern policy choices, particularly in the South Asian context. She emphasized the implications of India’s strategic culture for regional stability and bilateral relations with Pakistan. Her participation highlighted CISS

AJK’s engagement in critical discourse on regional strategic dynamics and knowledge exchange with leading research institutions.

## Nuclear Deterrence in the Age of Emerging Technologies



On 23 April 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja participated as a speaker in the “Nuclear Deterrence in the Age of Emerging Technologies” session at the CISS Islamabad International Conference, organized by CISS Islamabad. The session also featured contributions from Associate Director Zohaib Altaf, Research Officers Nimra Javed and Tayyaba Khurshid, who engaged in discussions on how evolving technologies such as cyber capabilities and artificial intelligence are reshaping deterrence paradigms.

Dr. Khawaja’s insights focused on strategic stability challenges, doctrinal adaptations, and the implications of techno-strategic shifts for South Asian security dynamics.

## Kashmir Conflict and Emerging Scenarios



On 23 April 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director of CISS AJK, participated as a speaker in the special session “Kashmir Conflict and Emerging Scenarios,” organized by the Institute of Policy Studies (IPS), Islamabad. Her presentation addressed the strategic, political, and humanitarian dimensions of the Kashmir conflict, particularly in the wake of the Pahalgam attack, and assessed evolving security scenarios in the region. Dr. Khawaja emphasized the implications of contested narratives, regional power dynamics, and

international engagement on the conflict’s trajectory. She highlighted the need for sustained policy focus and collaborative research to inform conflict resolution strategies. Her participation underscored CISS AJK’s contribution to high-level policy dialogues and scholarly discourse on South Asian security challenges.

## Pahalgam Attack: Motives, Agenda, and Consequences



On 23 April 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director of CISS AJK, and Syeda Tahreem Bukhari, Associate Director Research at CISS AJK, participated as speakers in the session “Pahalgam Attack: Motives, Agenda, and Consequences,” organized by the Departments of Political Science and Economics at The Islamia University, Bahawalpur. Their presentations examined the historical context, strategic motives, and broader implications of the Pahalgam incident for regional security and public perception. Dr. Khawaja provided strategic analysis on implications for South Asian stability, while Tahreem Bukhari highlighted the socio-political impacts and narrative dynamics surrounding the event. Together, they engaged with faculty and students in a comprehensive discussion on conflict drivers and policy responses. Their participation reflected CISS AJK’s commitment to academic outreach and informed discourse on critical security issues.

## Pahalgam Attack and India's Aggressive Posturing: Implications and Response Options for Pakistan



On 2 May 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director of CISS AJK, participated as the speaker in the session “Pahalgam Attack and India’s Aggressive Posturing: Implications and Response Options for Pakistan,” organized by the India Study Center (ISC) at ISSI Islamabad. She analyzed India’s strategic decisions following the Pahalgam attack, assessing heightened military and diplomatic postures and their implications for Pakistan’s security environment. Dr. Khawaja highlighted viable response options grounded in

strategic deterrence, diplomatic engagement, and narrative management. Her insights underscored the necessity of calibrated national strategies to safeguard regional stability and national interests. The session contributed to a nuanced understanding of evolving bilateral tensions and policy priorities.

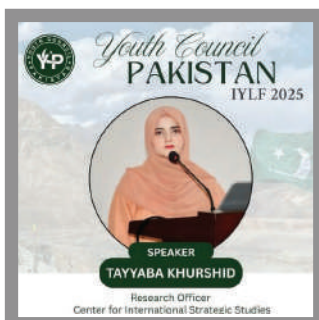
## Deciphering the Pahalgam False Flag Operation: Agenda and Consequences



On May 5, 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director CISS AJK, and Syeda Tahreem Bukhari, Associate Director CISS AJK, participated as speakers in a webinar titled “Deciphering Pahalgam False Flag Operation: Agenda and Consequences”. The event was organized by the Centre for South Asian Studies, University of the

Punjab. The webinar examined the historical context of false flag operations by India, India’s attempts to blame Pakistan without evidence, and the resulting escalation of tensions between the two neighbors. The speakers provided analysis of the political and strategic consequences, emphasizing the importance of evidence-based discourse and regional stability.

## Emerging Contours of Arms Control and Disarmament Amidst Great Power Competition



On 11 July 2025, Research Officer Tayyaba Khurshid participated as a speaker in the event “Emerging Contours of Arms Control and Disarmament Amidst Great Power Competition,” organized by Youth Council Pakistan. She offered insights into how intensifying rivalries among global powers are reshaping arms control frameworks and disarmament prospects, with implications for regional and international security. Tayyaba Khurshid highlighted the challenges posed by technological advancements, strategic mistrust, and evolving doctrines that complicate traditional arms control mechanisms. Her

presentation underscored the need for adaptive policy approaches and multilateral dialogue to address emerging security dilemmas. The session facilitated youth engagement and broadened discourse on disarmament in a rapidly changing geopolitical landscape.

## Shifting Power Dynamics in South Asia: The Influence of Strategic Culture on Regional Stability



On 21 July 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, participated as a speaker in the session “Shifting Power Dynamics in South Asia: The Influence of Strategic Culture on Regional Stability,” organized by NUST University, Islamabad. She examined how strategic culture shapes state behavior, security doctrines, and regional stability in South Asia, with a focus on evolving threat perceptions and policy adaptations. Dr. Khawaja

highlighted the interplay between historical legacies, institutional norms, and contemporary geopolitical pressures in influencing strategic choices. Her presentation underscored the implications of strategic cultural shifts for conflict prevention and confidence-building measures. The event facilitated robust academic exchange and deepened understanding of regional security paradigms among students and faculty.

## Indian Strategic Culture



On 22 July 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, participated as a speaker in the session “Indian Strategic Culture,” organized by the Maritime Centre of Excellence at Pakistan Navy War College, Lahore. She provided an in-depth analysis of India’s strategic culture, examining its historical roots, doctrinal evolution, and contemporary policy implications for maritime and regional security. Dr. Khawaja highlighted how strategic norms and threat perceptions shape India’s defense postures and influence South Asian stability dynamics.

Her presentation emphasized the importance of understanding strategic culture to effectively frame policy responses and enhance national strategic planning. The event fostered critical dialogue between academic and defense communities on emerging security challenges.

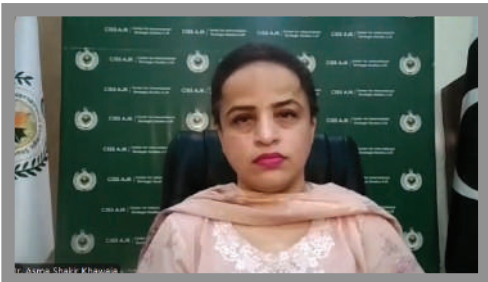
## Lecture at Kashmir Institute of International Relations for the Summer Internship program 2025



On 25 July 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, delivered a lecture as a speaker for the Summer Internship Program 2025 at the Kashmir Institute of International Relations (KIIR). Her session focused on key themes in international relations, strategic studies, and practical insights for young interns pursuing careers in policy research and diplomacy. Dr. Khawaja highlighted the importance of analytical rigor, critical thinking, and contextual understanding of regional security issues, including the Kashmir conflict. The lecture provided valuable guidance to emerging scholars and practitioners,

enhancing their academic and professional capacities. Her participation reinforced CISS AJK's commitment to mentoring the next generation of strategic thinkers and fostering intellectual engagement in policy arenas.

## Lecture at Kashmir Institute of International Relations for the Summer Internship program 2025



On 4 August 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, participated as a speaker in a webinar commemorating the 6th anniversary of the revocation of the special status of Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK), organized by the Center for International Strategic Studies Sindh (CISSS) in Karachi. The event marked six years since India's unilateral decision to strip IIOJK of its constitutional autonomy, underscoring ongoing human rights abuses, political repression, and

demographic manipulation in the region. Dr. Khawaja highlighted the implications of this revocation for regional stability, human rights, and international law, calling for sustained global attention and accountability. The session brought together policymakers, scholars, and civil society to reaffirm support for Kashmiris' rights and to advocate for a peaceful, rights-based resolution of the conflict. Her participation reflected CISS AJK's active role in strategic dialogues on South Asian security and justice for oppressed populations.

## Lecture at Kashmir Institute of International Relations for the Summer Internship program 2025

On 26–27 August 2025, the SVI National Conference on “Strategic Stability in South Asia: Regional Security and Global Dynamics” was held in Islamabad, organized by the Strategic Vision Institute (SVI) to deliberate on key strategic, security, and geopolitical issues facing South Asia. The conference brought together eminent scholars, policymakers, and practitioners to discuss themes including nuclear deterrence, arms control, escalation dynamics, and confidence-building measures in the context of evolving regional and global security challenges. Rimsha Malik and Hira Bashir, research faculty from CISS AJK, participated in the event, engaging with peers and

contributing to discussions aimed at enhancing strategic stability and mitigating security risks in the region. The sessions fostered informed dialogue on practical policy options for managing strategic competition and promoting peace in South Asia. Their participation underscored CISS AJK's commitment to collaborative research and knowledge exchange with national think tanks.



## Syed Ali Shah Geelani: His Struggle & Legacy



On 8 September 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, participated as a speaker in the event “Syed Ali Shah Geelani: His Struggle & Legacy,” organized by the Institute of Policy Studies (IPS) in collaboration with the Legal Forum for Kashmir (LFK). In her address, Dr. Khawaja paid tribute to Geelani’s lifelong struggle for the rights and self-determination of the Kashmiri people, reflecting on his strategic influence and enduring legacy. Her

remarks emphasized the importance of remembering principled resistance and advocating for justice and human rights. The event brought together scholars, activists, and policymakers to honor Geelani’s contributions and reinforce solidarity with the Kashmiri cause.

## Contemporary Challenges in Arms Control, Disarmament, and Regional Security Dynamics



On 13 September 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director of CISS AJK, participated as a speaker in an academic engagement jointly organized by the Arms Control and Disarmament Centre (ACDC) and the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI). She discussed contemporary challenges in arms control, disarmament, and regional security dynamics, emphasizing the implications of emerging technologies on strategic stability. Dr. Khawaja highlighted the importance of evidence-based policy formulation and

multilateral cooperation to address evolving security threats. Her session engaged scholars and policymakers in discussions on enhancing confidence-building measures and promoting sustainable security practices in South Asia. This engagement reflected CISS AJK's commitment to contributing to informed strategic and policy debates at the national and regional levels.

## Climate Emergency in Pakistan: Risks, Challenges & Road Ahead



On 22 October 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director of CISS AJK, participated as the keynote speaker in an academic engagement organized by the Centre for South Asian Studies (CSAS), University of the Punjab, Lahore. She addressed the climate emergency in Pakistan, discussing its risks, challenges, and policy implications for sustainable development and regional resilience. Dr. Khawaja highlighted the intersection of environmental security with economic, social, and geopolitical dynamics,

emphasizing the need for coordinated national and regional responses. Her lecture provided insights into strategic planning, risk mitigation, and climate-adaptive governance. The session engaged scholars, students, and policymakers, fostering informed dialogue on pressing environmental challenges in Pakistan and South Asia.

## Meeting with Dr. Muhammad Ali Shah, Vice Chancellor of the University of the Punjab



On 23 October 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director of CISS AJK, held a meeting with Dr. Muhammad Ali Shah, Vice Chancellor of the University of the Punjab. The discussion focused on strengthening academic collaboration, research partnerships, and joint initiatives between CISS AJK and Punjab University. Dr. Khawaja emphasized opportunities for faculty exchanges, capacity building, and collaborative projects in strategic and policy research. The meeting highlighted CISS AJK's commitment to fostering institutional linkages and advancing scholarly engagement in Pakistan.

## Geo-Strategic Scenario and National Security



On 27 October 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, participated as a speaker in an academic engagement organized by the Bhimber Garrison. She delivered a lecture on the geo-strategic scenario and national security, emphasizing regional security dynamics, strategic challenges, and policy responses relevant to Pakistan. Dr. Khawaja highlighted the importance of informed strategic planning, cross-domain deterrence, and risk assessment in maintaining national stability. Her session engaged military personnel and

scholars in discussions on strategic foresight and defense preparedness. This engagement reinforced CISS AJK's role in providing expertise on security, policy analysis, and strategic studies.

## Emerging Technologies and Strategic Stability

On 7 November 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director of CISS AJK, participated as a speaker in an academic engagement organized by the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI). She delivered a lecture on emerging technologies and strategic stability, discussing how technological advancements influence regional security, deterrence dynamics, and international strategic calculations. Dr. Khawaja emphasized the importance of adaptive policy frameworks, risk mitigation, and multilateral cooperation to maintain strategic balance. Her presentation engaged scholars, policymakers, and security practitioners in discussions on managing uncertainty and fostering resilient security architectures. This session reflected CISS AJK's ongoing commitment to informed strategic analysis and thought leadership.



## Nuclear Deterrence and Strategic Stability in Europe and South Asia



On 17 November 2025, Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja, Executive Director of CISS AJK, participated as a speaker in the 10th CISS–IISS Workshop on Nuclear Deterrence and Strategic Stability in Europe and South Asia, organized jointly by CISS AJK and the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS). She addressed contemporary challenges in nuclear deterrence, strategic stability, and regional security dynamics, highlighting the implications of emerging technologies and cross-domain threats. Dr. Khawaja

emphasized the need for adaptive strategies, risk mitigation, and international collaboration to maintain strategic balance. Her participation engaged scholars, practitioners, and policymakers in critical discussions on maintaining stability and preventing escalation. This workshop underscored CISS AJK’s role in providing expert analysis and contributing to global strategic discourse.

## Academic Engagement Organized Jointly by the Pakistan Army and the AJK Government

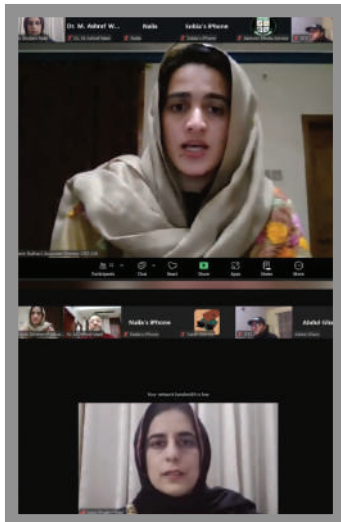
On 19 November 2025, the research team of CISS AJK participated in an academic engagement organized jointly by the Pakistan Army and the AJK Government. The event focused on regional security, strategic planning, and collaborative approaches to governance and defense preparedness in Azad Jammu & Kashmir. CISS AJK’s participation emphasized knowledge-sharing, policy dialogue, and strengthening institutional linkages between research organizations and governmental bodies. The engagement reflected the center’s commitment to contributing to informed decision-making and strategic capacity building in the region.




## 64th International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISODARCO) Winter Course

In December 2025, Nimra Javed of CISS AJK was selected to participate in the 64th International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISODARCO) Winter Course held in Italy. The course, titled “Nuclear Risk, Technological Disruption, and International Conflict in an Age of Turbulence,” provided advanced training on nuclear risk assessment, emerging technologies, and conflict analysis. Nimra Javed’s participation highlighted CISS AJK’s engagement in international capacity-building initiatives and strategic research. The program offered opportunities to interact with global experts, enhance knowledge on nuclear and security issues, and contribute to informed policy discussions.

## Nuclear Risk, Technological Disruption, and International Conflict in an Age of Turbulence



Syed Tahreem Bukhari, Associate Director, and Saba Ghulam Nabi, Research Officer at CISS AJK, participated as speakers in the webinar titled “Suppression and Silent Suffering: Women’s Perspectives on Militarization in Kashmir,” organized by Kashmir Media Service (KMS) in collaboration with the United Kashmir Journalists Association (UKJA). Syed Tahreem Bukhari underscored that despite enduring decades of militarization and systemic violence, Kashmiri women remain resilient political actors, contributing through leadership, legal resistance, documentation of abuses, and preservation of collective memory. Saba Ghulam Nabi highlighted the deep psychological and social toll of prolonged conflict on Kashmiri women, emphasizing its impact on their mental health, sense of security, and overall well-being.



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## Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja



**January 30, 2024**



Appeared on PTV News Room with Omar Khalid Butt to discuss political violence, minority persecution, economic challenges, Jammu and Kashmir, and the Manipur conflict under Narendra Modi.

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**February 02, 2025**



Appeared on PTV News show Kashmir Today with anchor Yasir Rehman on February 2, 2025, to discuss the situation in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir.

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**February 05, 2025**



Appeared on PTV World's Game Changer with Maryam Zia to discuss Kashmir Solidarity Day and the need to shift from conflict management to conflict resolution in Kashmir.

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**March 18, 2025**



Appeared on Live Forum with Javed Khan Jadoon on Suno FM 89.4/96 to discuss the Jaffer Express terrorist attack, security challenges, civilian impact, and preventive measures.

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**March 24, 2025**



Appeared on PTV Newsroom with Omar Khalid Butt to discuss the BJP's campaign targeting Muslim heritage in India.

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**April 07, 2025**



Appeared on PTV World's News Room with Omar Khalid Butt to discuss the controversial Wakf Amendment Bill passed by the Indian Parliament.

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**April 18, 2025**



Appeared on The Forum with Javed Khan Jadoon on Suno FM 89.4/96 to discuss the expulsion of Afghans and its humanitarian and regional implications.

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**April 28, 2025**



Appeared on The Forum with Javed Khan Jadoon on Suno FM 89.4/96 to discuss the post-Pahalgam situation.

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May 03, 2025



Appeared on Kashmir Today with Yasir Rehman to discuss the Pahalgam false flag operation and India's strategic motives.

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May 04, 2025



Appeared on News1 to discuss India's war hysteria and its regional and diplomatic implications.

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May 05, 2025



Appeared on The Forum with Javed Khan Jadoon on Suno FM 89.4/96 to discuss India's state-sponsored transnational terrorism and the lack of international accountability.

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May 08, 2025



Appeared on The Forum with Javed Khan Jadoon on Suno FM 89.4/96 to discuss Pakistan's response to Indian aggression and the importance of deterrence and diplomacy.

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May 10, 2025



Appeared in a special transmission on Operation Bunyan-un-Marsoos to discuss Pakistan's strategic preparedness, deterrence capabilities, and regional stability.

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May 12, 2025



Appeared on a TV show, highlighting Pakistan's advanced air power and strong deterrence.

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May 14, 2025



Appeared on Suno FM 89.4. The Forum, discussing India's use of terrorism and the need for regional vigilance.

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May 20, 2025



Appeared on The Forum, highlighting accountability under international law and regional security.

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May 31, 2025



Appeared on PTV World, discussing Indian leadership's statements after the Pahalgam incident.

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May 31, 2025



Discussed the post-May crisis narrative highlighting Pakistan's strategic restraint and modern military coordination.

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June 04, 2025



Appeared on The Forum, discussing Modi's G7 snub and global pushback against India's aggression.

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June 10, 2025



Appeared on a morning show, highlighting post-crisis dynamics in Gaza and regional stability concerns.

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June 11, 2025



Appeared on a morning show, highlighting India's diplomatic isolation and failed Kashmir narrative.

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June 12, 2025



Appeared on Kashmir Siasat, highlighting how Modi's strikes on Pakistan backfired.

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June 12, 2025



Appeared on PTV World Newsroom, addressing Pakistan's transparency in Operation Bunyan-un-Marsoos and India's use of misinformation.

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June 13, 2025



Appeared on a morning show, discussing India's nuclear risks and misaligned leadership after the May crisis.

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June 30, 2025



Appeared on a morning show, discussing India's great power delusions and its regional isolation.

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July 14, 2025



Appeared on PTV World show Newsroom, discussing India's suspension of the Indus Waters Treaty and its revisionist approach.

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July 15, 2025



Appeared on The Forum, discussing India's arms race and its impact on regional stability.

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**July 24, 2025**



Appeared on Suno FM show The Forum, analyzing Operation Sindoor and India's military-civilian divide.

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**July 29, 2025**



Appeared on Suno FM show The Forum, noting P. Chidambaram's admission and stressing evidence-based analysis in security matters.

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**August 01, 2025**



Appeared on Kashmir Today show PTV News, addressing India's post-May crisis narrative and Amit Shah's gaps in preparedness.

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**August 05, 2025**



Appeared on Radio Pakistan show Youm-e-Istehsal Special, outlining India's illegal actions in Jammu and Kashmir and reaffirming Pakistan's support for the Kashmiri cause.

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**August 05, 2025**



Appeared on PTV World show Game Changer, addressing Kashmir Exploitation Day and urging genuine conflict resolution in IIOJK.

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**August 20, 2025**



Appeared on Kashmir Digital Show Kashmir Siasat, analyzing Modi government's post-May 2025 crisis policies and coercive approach.

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**September 04, 2025**



Appeared on The Forum, examining the SCO Summit 2025 and its regional security commitments.

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**September 09, 2025**



Appeared on The Forum, examining China's new mega dam and its impact on Sino-India relations.

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**September 09, 2025**



Appeared on The Forum, show of SUNO FM, noting India's failed attempt to exploit the SCO platform for its political agenda.

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**September 09, 2025**



Appeared on IPS TV, reflecting on Syed Ali Shah Geelani's legacy of Kashmiri resistance and principled struggle.

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**September 30, 2025**



Appeared on The Forum, addressing the Indo-Israel nexus and its threat to regional peace.

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**October 03, 2025**



Appeared on Kashmir Today, addressing the Ladakh curfew and developments in Manipur, urging restraint and dialogue.

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**October 13, 2025**



Appeared on Pakistan TV, stressing that Afghanistan must not serve as a safe haven for terrorists and warning of Pakistan's potential use of force.

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**October 29, 2025**



Appeared on The Forum, addressing terror networks operating from Afghan soil.

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**November 03, 2025**



Appeared on Pakistan Television, commenting on India's use of espionage and proxies following strategic setbacks.

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**November 05, 2025**



Appeared on The Forum , analyzing the Bihar elections as a crucial political test for the BJP.

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**November 15, 2025**



Appeared on Kashmir Today, examining justice concerns and the Bihar elections' impact on India's democratic image.

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**November 24, 2025**



Appeared on The Forum, outlining Pakistan's stance against destabilization efforts and India's use of proxies and propaganda.

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**November 26, 2025**



Appeared on Pakistan Television, rejecting Rajnath Singh's Sindh remarks as legally baseless and driven by expansionist ideology.

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**December 10, 2025**



Appeared on World View, addressing rising global pressure on the Taliban and calls for coordinated action.

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December 10, 2025



Appeared on The Forum, raising concerns over the saffronization of India's armed forces and shrinking space for dissent.



December 10, 2025

Appeared on Talking Politics, analyzing Putin's India visit and Modi's strategic optics.



December 17, 2025



Appeared on Kashmir Today, marking Human Rights Day by addressing India's conduct in IIOJK and the wider Kashmir dispute.



December 21, 2025



Appeared on Pakistan Television, addressing the Sydney attack and countering disinformation with verified evidence.



December 21, 2025



Appeared on Suno FM, addressing Afghanistan's rejection of Pakistan's aid and stressing leadership accountability.



December 30, 2025



Appeared on PTV News, addressing India's worsening minority crisis and its global reputational impact.



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January 31, 2025



**Tayyaba Khurshid**

Tayyaba Khurshid appeared on Kashmir Today, addressing India's occupation, human rights violations, and challenges in Jammu and Kashmir.

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February 03, 2025



**Abdul Basit**

Abdul Basit appeared on PTV Newsroom, addressing human rights violations and oppression in IIOJK and the Afghan interim government.

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February 05, 2025



**Tayyaba Khurshid**

Tayyaba Khurshid appeared on Kashmir Today, addressing India's genocidal intent and human rights violations in IIOJK.

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March 21, 2025



**Tayyaba Khurshid**

Tayyaba Khurshid appeared on PTV Newsroom, addressing Pakistan's rebuttal of India's claims on IIOJK and regional issues.

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April 11, 2025



**Tayyaba Khurshid**

Tayyaba Khurshid appeared on PTV World with Omar Khalid Butt, discussing Pakistan's rebuttal of India's claims on IIOJK and Israeli actions in Gaza.

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May 10, 2025



**Qurat-ul-Ain**

Qurat-ul-Ain Shabbir appeared on Kashmir Siasat, analyzing Iran's regime change rumors and regional political implications.

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May 16, 2025



**Tayyaba Khurshid**

Tayyaba Khurshid appeared on PTV World, addressing unresolved Kashmir issues and regional water disputes.

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November 04, 2025



**Qurat-ul-Ain**

Qurat-ul-Ain Shabbir appeared on Kashmir Siasat, addressing India's political failures in Ladakh and rising international pressure.

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November 04, 2025



**Qurat-ul-Ain**

Qurat-ul-Ain Shabbir appeared on Kashmir Siasat, addressing India's political failures in Ladakh and rising international pressure.

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December 03, 2025



**Zohaib Altaf and Nimra Javed**

Zohaib Altaf and Nimra Javed appeared on a program hosted by Dr. Lokman Karadag, discussing responsible AI in South Asia and the need for dialogue between India and Pakistan.

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December 12, 2025



**Abdul Basit**

Abdul Basit appeared on The Public Team Podcast, addressing systematic human rights violations in IIOJK and their regional security risks.

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## Podcasts

On April 27, 2025, **Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja** appeared on Salman Javed Official Podcast, examining the post-Pahalgam situation and India's strategic approach in Jammu & Kashmir.

On February 25, 2025, **M. Shahzad Akram** appeared on CISS AJK YouTube Channel, examining the Pulwama–Balakot crisis and its electoral implications under Modi.

On February 5, 2025, **Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja** appeared on Radio Pakistan Podcast, reflecting on Kashmir Solidarity Day and support for Kashmiri rights.

On February 25, 2025, **Qurat-ul-Ain Shabbir** appeared on Kashmir Today, reviewing Operation Swift Resort and its regional security implications.

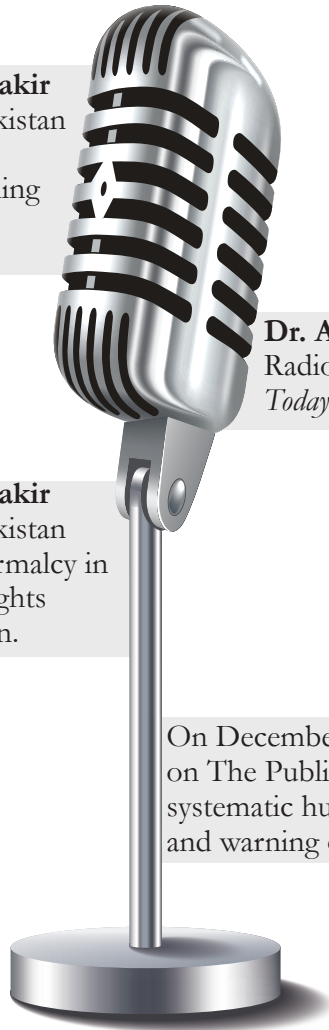


On August 5, 2025, **Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja** appeared on a Radio Pakistan Podcast, assessing six years after Articles 370 and 35A and reaffirming support for Kashmir's right to self-determination.

**Dr. Asma Khawaja** participated in a Radio Pakistan podcast titled *Where We Today Stand on Kashmir* on Aug 6, 2025.

On August 6, 2025, **Dr. Asma Shakir Khawaja** appeared on a Radio Pakistan Podcast, challenging claims of normalcy in IIOJK and pointing to ongoing rights violations and political suppression.

On December 12, 2025, **Abdul Basit** appeared on The Public Team Podcast, examining systematic human rights violations in IIOJK and warning of ideology-driven regional risks.



## Launch of YouTube Channel

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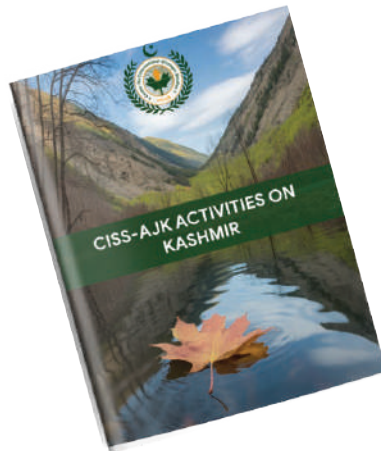
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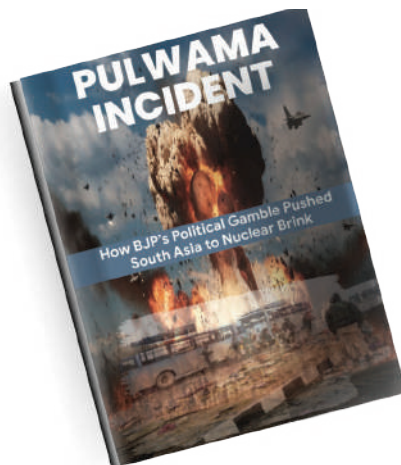


## CISS AJK Activities on Kashmir



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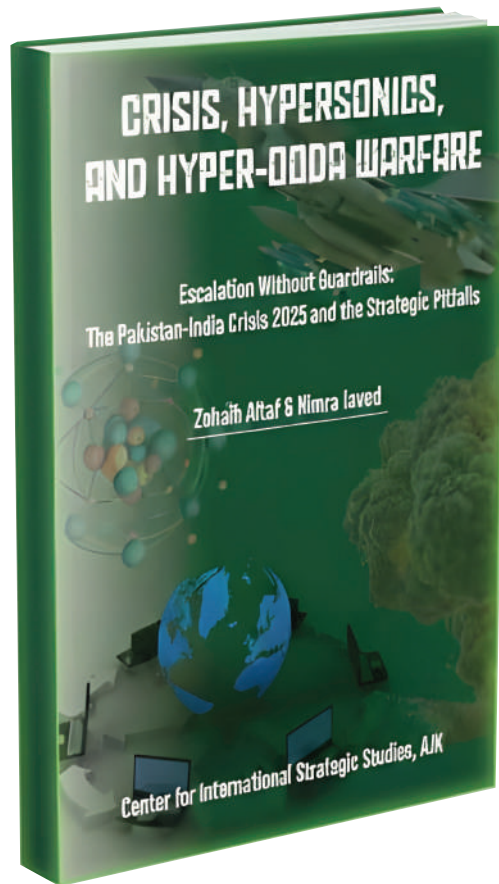


To investigate the Pulwama incident and how the BJP's political gamble brought South Asia to the brink of nuclear war.



Research authored by Abdul Rehman and Shahzad Akram garnered international attention for its analytical critique of the 2019 Pulwama incident. By challenging mainstream accounts and characterizing the event as a "false flag" attack, the work prompted a high-level response from Disinfo Lab. This response has been described as containing a distinct Indian bias, focusing on the chronological alignment of the publication and alleging that the research sought to establish a specific narrative foundation ahead of the Pahalgam attack in April 2025.

## Crisis, Hypersonics, and Hyper-OODA Warfare



The April–May 2025 India–Pakistan crisis, triggered by the 22 April Pahalgam attack in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK), rapidly escalated into one of the most dangerous confrontations in decades, marked by India’s unilateral actions and Operation Sindoor’s missile and air strikes, which provoked a full-spectrum Pakistani response. The crisis witnessed the largest aerial dogfight since World War II, involving over 125 aircraft alongside drones, cruise missiles, and Electronic Warfare (EW) systems. In the aftermath, India embarked on an accelerated modernization drive across land, air, naval, space, and cyber domains, reflecting a doctrinal shift toward escalation dominance and preemptive strategies. For Pakistan, India’s expanding Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (ISR) network, hypersonic capabilities, and AI-driven combat cloud pose significant challenges to decision-making and deterrence stability. To address these threats, the study recommends enhancing Pakistan’s deterrence posture, improving survivability, and expanding the Army Rocket Force (ARF) through integrated missile–drone packages and satellite support to create strategic buffers inside India, while simultaneously reinforcing crisis-management mechanisms and engaging with the international community to prevent future escalations.

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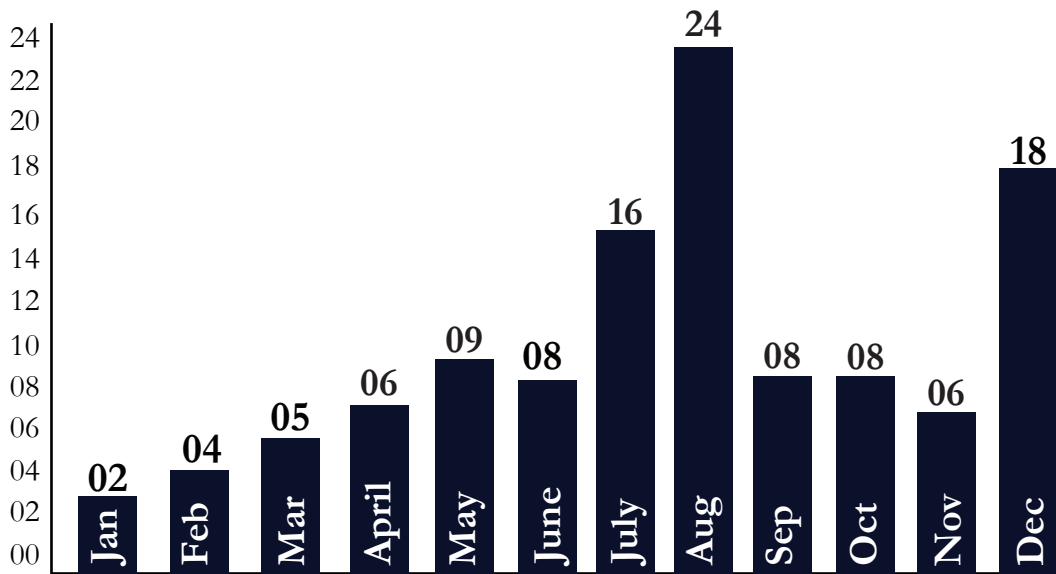
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