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Debt Management

- Avoiding debt default
- External debt sustainability
- External debt utilization
- Domestic debt sustainability
- Crowding-out and effect on business activities
- Circular debt
- Debt swaps and debt relief
- Debt management office: assessing the efficacy
- Subnational debts
- Public Sector Enterprises (PSE) debt and liabilities

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Financial Market

- The support structure: state of financial sector development
- Financial markets sustainability
- Private sector investment vs sovereign debt funding
- External financing gaps and options
- Sovereign risk rating and borrowing constraints
- Role of central banks for treasury functions
- Calculating sludge and easing the state of permission economy

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Fiscal Discipline

- Government spending - efficacy and adequateness (public expenditure reviews of three tiers)
- Budgeting in post-18th amendment environment
- Public Sector Enterprises (PSE): The way forward
- Finding the way out of balance sheet crises
- Tax potential & reforms
- Tax avoidance: what, how and why
- State-oversight or sludge: finding the equilibrium
- Commodity operations vs letting the markets work: finding efficient solution
- Fiscal federalism in post 18th amendment scenario and fiscal responsibility laws
- Public Financial Management Act: implementation issues
- PSDP projects: prioritization, management and utilization of borrowed money
- Rationalizing government footprint
- Realizing revenue potential

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Foreign Aid

- National priorities and international aspirations: is there a mismatch?
- Aspiring human capital: how and what to prioritise
- Natural calamities and international commitments: exploring climate finance
- Foreign aid effectiveness
- Procurement and implementation policies
- Governance and accountability in foreign aid utilization
- Foreign aid and domestic capacities
- Foreign aid, grants and loans conundrum

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Power, Politics & People

- Electoral reforms
- Local governments and development
- Cities development, economic activity and the issue of dead capital
- Reimagining markets
- Developing markets and making these work
- Political economy
- Nudge, sludge and drive to grow; Where to start from
- Civil service reforms

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Others

- Any other topic deemed important for Pakistan Development Agenda

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