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Pakistani writer unveils the life stories of young defiant countrywomen in new book

The National (April 30, 2019)

A mix of comedy, heartfelt empathy and raging women's empowerment, Hijabistan is a collection of short stories that give a powerful insight into the lives of Pakistani women. Reflecting the voices of the supporters and opposers, the book is a cultural conversation which ... Read More

Pink Riders hold an all-female bike rally in Karachi

The Daily Times (April 29, 2019)

Nearly 100 women participated in a Bike rally in Karachi over the weekend, in order to push for a message of female empowerment and a life of independence. "That's what I wanted for these women, who may be housewives, students, doctors, nurses or ...Read More

Low participation of women in labor force: Survey

The Urdupoint (April 29, 2019)

ISLAMABAD, (UrduPoint / Pakistan Point News - APP - 29th Apr, 2019) :Punjab Commission on Status of Women conducted a survey here Monday revealed that in Punjab the Labor Force Participation rate of women was low as it comprised up to only 36.3 ...Read More

Women can change fate of Muslim world

The News (April 27, 2019)

ISLAMABAD: Women members of Saudi Arabia's Consultative Assembly (Majlis-e- Shura) met International Islamic University President Dr. Ahmed Yousif Al-Draiweesh and addressed a seminar on 'progress of Muslim world and women' here on Friday ... Read More

6 digital skills nurturing women's empowerment in Pakistan

The Phone world (April 25, 2019)

In recent years, there have been significant improvements in fostering gender equality in Pakistan. Pakistani women today are more likely to participate in the labor force, the private and public sectors, and access health and education services, than previous ... Read More

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Federal govt criticised for failing to check Hindu women's abduction, conversion

The Dawn (April 23, 2019)

BADIN: Qaumi Awami Tehreek (QAT) president Ayaz Latif Palijo on Monday lashed out at the federal government for its failure to protect the women belonging ... Read More

Early marriages restrict women participation in social, economic activities: report

The Pakistan Today (April 21, 2019)

ISLAMABAD: A survey conducted by Punjab Commission on Status of Women here Thursday revealed that early marriages and early motherhood restrict choices for women to participate in any kind of activity... Read More

Pakistan's women marched for their rights. Then the backlash came

The Diplomat (Mar 20, 2019)

On March 8, International Women's Day, thousands of women in Pakistan came out and marched to show solidarity with their fellow women to push for accountability and restorative justice against violence, harassment, ... Read More

Plight of working women in Pakistan

The Nation (April 21, 2019)

As the world moves a step closer towards gender-equality, working woman still experience a torment of injustices at workplaces and beyond. According to the UN Women, only 5% of the lead Fortune 500 companies are ... Read More

Only 56pc women have CNICs in rural Punjab: survey

The Pakistan Today (April 19, 2019)

ISLAMABAD: A Survey conducted by Punjab Commission on Status of Women here Friday revealed that in rural areas of Punjab only 56 percent of young women have Computerized National Identity Cards (CNIC) ... Read More

UK-funded Karandaaz signs accords with women entrepreneurs

The Business Recorder (April 18, 2019)

The UK-funded Karandaaz Thursday signed investment agreements with seven women-led businesses to help women's small and medium enterprises in Pakistan. These include New Age Flour and General Mills, Web Work ... Read More

Promotion of women entrepreneurship imperative for Pakistan's prosperity

The Pakistan Today (April 18, 2019)

ISLAMABAD: Former State Bank of Pakistan governor and Karandaaz Board Chairperson Dr Shamshad Akhtar said on Thursday that promotion of women entrepreneurship is the only way forward to reduce poverty and ... Read More

Only women can stop the apocalypse

The foreignpolicy.com (April 15, 2019)

Nearly three decades after the end of the Cold War, nuclear conflict remains the single greatest immediate threat to global security. The United States, Russia, China, France, the United Kingdom, ... Read More

Unsafe transport affecting women's performance: report

The Pakistan Today (April 14, 2019)

ISLAMABAD: Unsafe public transport has become a main barrier for women to work confidently in educational activities and affecting the ability to engage in independent activities. It was revealed in report published ... Read More

Lack of self-belief stops women's businesses from taking off

The News (April 14, 2019)

Islamabad: The third Women Entrepreneurship Conference'19 (WECON '19) brought together women entrepreneurs, stakeholders and industry experts from diverse backgrounds under one roof at a local hotel on Saturday ... Read More

The unfulfilled promise of women empowerment in KP

The Dawn (April 14, 2019)

Even a decade after its formation, the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Commission on the Status of Women has failed to deliver on its promise of empowering women in the province by checking gender-based violence and inequality ... Read More

Pakistan meets UN goals on female participation in peacekeeping: Maleeha

The Express Tribune (April 12, 2019)

NEW YORK: Pakistan is increasing women participation in United Nations' (UN) peacekeeping missions and has met the 15 per cent goal of female peacekeepers set by the global body, the country's UN Ambassador ... Read More

President for enhancing women professional role

The Business Recorder (April 11, 2019)

ISLAMABAD: President Dr. Arif Alvi on Thursday expressed the need for further enhancing participation of women professionals to improve the country's economy. The president was addressing at the 'Women's Day ... Read More

Women's empowerment

The Express Tribune (April 10, 2019)

KARACHI: Women's empowerment has always been one of the biggest challenges for Pakistan and the prevailing stereotypes have hindered the progress towards this end to quite an extent ... Read More

Women's economic development must for political empowerment

The News (April 09, 2019)

Islamabad: MNA Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja, has said that political empowerment of women can never be materialised without their economic empowerment. Ms Fatima was speaking at a public-private dialogue on ... Read More

One-third of all Punjab women have faced violence: survey

The Pakistan Today (April 08, 2019)

ISLAMABAD: One in every three women in Punjab aged between 15 and 64 years has suffered violence, according to a survey conducted by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) ... Read More

Entrepreneurship and Pakistan women

The Daily Time (April 08, 2019)

Does Entrepreneurship whether social or commercial need women? The answer is yes because poverty has a woman's face and mostly women are often not "allowed growing" due to their predetermined role in care ... Read More

What do Pakistani men think about working women

The devdiscourse.com (April 06, 2019)

In patriarchal societies—as in most of Pakistan—men exert much influence over the lives of their female relatives and almost always have exclusive control over household income. Having a supportive father or husband is therefore critical for women and determines ... Read More

Top 10 facts about girl's education in Pakistan

Borgan Magazine (April 6, 2019)

The Pakistani culture consists of patriarchal authority and dated traditions that greatly affect the women of the country. The struggle of gender inequality has made it extremely difficult for women to obtain an education in Pakistan. In terms of educational standards, ... Read More

Only 39pc rural girls attend secondary schools: Speakers

The Nation (April 04, 2019)

ISLAMABAD - Only 39 percent of rural girls in the country have the opportunity of attending school up to secondary level, far fewer than boys, speakers said on Wednesday. Federal Ministry for Education and Professional Training and Pakistan Alliance for Girls ... Read More

Need to empower the women with disabilities

The Urdupoint (April 02, 2019)

ISLAMABAD, (UrduPoint / Pakistan Point News - APP - 2nd Apr, 2019) :Human Rights activists, Nasreen Azhar here Tuesday said that the Person With Disabilities (PWDs) and their empowerment to bring them into main stream of the society is dire need for ... Read More

Vision of Naya Pakistan cannot be achieved without women: President

The News (April 02, 2019)

ISLAMABAD: President Dr. Arif Alvi has underlined the government's commitment to give women protection and their due place in society. Addressing Young Women Leadership Conference in Islamabad on Tuesday, he said equal opportunities for women need to be ... Read More

Including women in workforce can help build economy: EWCCI founder

The Express Tribune (April 01, 2019)

ISLAMABAD: Women should not be discriminated against and they should be allowed to fully exploit their potential which would automatically address poverty. Eighty percent of stitching and sewing jobs in Pakistan are done by men while in Bangladesh 90 percent of ... Read More

Dame Riders-Pakistan's first all women food delivery worker are breaking stereotypes

Daily Pakistan Observer (April 1, 2019)

LAHORE- Women's empowerment is a complex process having multiple dimensions which are economic, social, cultural and political. Pakistan's women development model is very much a work in progress where deep-rooted challenges remain but in the past few ... Read More