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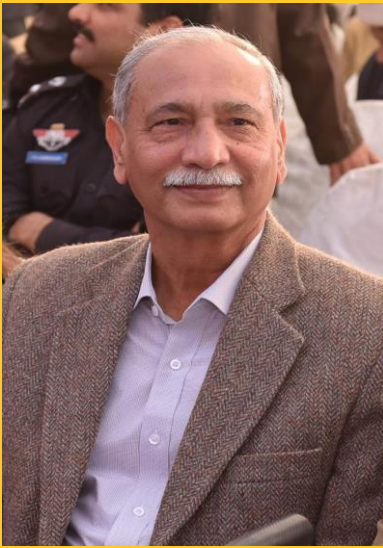


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## Director's Note



National Initiative against Organized Crime (NIOC) is the first-ever initiative in Pakistan launched by a group of committed professionals and experts with law enforcement, media and other public service backgrounds. NIOC aims to build community resilience and influence public policy to combat organized crime. Initially launched as a pilot project with effect from November 1, 2019, it aimed to jump start not only the discussion around transnational organized crime in Pakistan, but also to facilitate the work being done by various stakeholders of both the federal and provincial governments.

With a complex governance structure having multiple layers of stakeholders, the criminal justice system and law enforcement apparatus require better coordination and capacity building. NIOC is trying to identify the gaps and suggest improvements in the system.

NIOC is a three- tier organization: It has six advisory board members, four directorate staff, three consultants and eight subject experts.

Team NIOC believes in going together on a TRIP:

- **T** stands for trust and transparency.
- **R** stands for reputation which is gained from trust.
- **I** stand for innovation.
- **P** stands for progress and pursuit of excellence.



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There are some key law enforcement institutions dealing with Organized Crime at the national level: Federal Investigation Agency (FIA), National Counter Terrorism Authority (NACTA) and Ministry of Narcotics Control/Anti-Narcotics Force (ANF). NIOC not only collaborated with these organizations but also provided them valuable inputs. It has also gained traction and credibility with policy community. Secondly, the research studies and policy briefs that the NIOC has produced and disseminated have generated a debate and discussion amongst various stakeholders on the issue of Organized Crime. Thirdly, the NIOC website is providing credible source of information for civil society, academia, students, researchers and relevant stakeholders.

We are determined to make a difference in pursuit of our mission to forge an organized response to organized crime in Pakistan.

**Tariq Khosa**

January 2021

# **Activities Brief since Inception**

The following are the main features of NIOC work undertaken from November 2019 to December 2020.

## **November 2019**

The first meeting of the advisory board of the National Initiative against Organized Crime (NIOC) was held on November 9, 2019, in Islamabad. Following decisions were taken:

- Orientation of new briefing on its aims and linked measures.
- Some key decisions were taken to delegate roles and responsibilities in terms of preparing strategy papers, and a monthly newsletter, holding a stakeholders' roundtable, and developing a network of experts.
- Four organized crime categories approved to develop nation-wide strategies: terror financing, drug trafficking, human trafficking, and cyber-crimes.

After board meeting, the first stakeholders' roundtable conference was held on November 22, 2019. Representatives of different departments and organizations not only appreciated the NIOC but also promised to fully help and support its initiatives as follows:

- Consensus on developing modalities for effectively curbing terror financing and linking the discourse to FATF.
- Deliberations on how NIOC could help government's policy on narcotics control, including through learning from world's best practices.
- Progress made for an institutionalised collaboration and cooperation with different related departments and experts.



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First advisory board meeting of NIOC-Pakistan held on Nov 09, 2019 at Islamabad Club



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First stakeholder's roundtable on organized crime in Pakistan held on Nov 22, 2019 at Islamabad Club



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# December 2019

In the month of December, the second advisory board meeting was held on December 5, 2019 in Islamabad. Following decisions were taken

- Issuance of draft analysis paper on terror financing in December/January 2019
- Issuance of analysis paper on anti-narcotics in December 2019
- NIOC signed a Letter of Engagement with Kashif Noon as a strategist and lead researcher in the NIOC team with clear TORs
- Second Stakeholders' Consultation Meeting would be conducted during January 2020
- NACTA has nominated DIG Shahzada Sultan as a focal person for coordination with NIOC. He will be asked to prepare an analysis paper on terror financing in which issues like legal mandate, involved stakeholders, FATF conditions would be included along with our present standing in this regard.

NIOC issued first monthly November newsletter and disseminated it widely to relevant stakeholders. The newsletters contained updates, alerts and excerpts [from relevant NIOC articles] focussing the four categories of organized crime on the NIOC's mandate: terror financing, drug trafficking, human smuggling and cybercrime.

Director NIOC Tariq Khosa represented NIOC Pakistan at a workshop in Dubai on 8-11 December 2019 that was organized by the National Defence University Washington DC on "Countering Illicit Networks in the Levant and Gulf. "Drugs Trafficking in Pakistan: An Analysis," a policy analysis paper was presented on behalf of NIOC along with power point presentation in a 4-day workshop in Dubai on

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Organized Crime. Mr Khosa also discussed with NESAs and NDU USA to organize a 2-day workshop in Islamabad from NIOC platform on Organized Crime in 2020.



Second advisory board meeting of NIOC-Pakistan held on December 05, 2019 at Islamabad Club



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On invitation of the Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime (GI-TOC) Director Tariq Khosa participated in a Consultation Meeting in Bangkok on December 13, 2019 on “The Future of Organized Crime”. This consultation was one in a series of thematic and regional consultations with GI Network members to explore the current global trends on organized crime. These consultations were to feed into a drafting process for a wide-ranging report on global organized crime trends that the GI-TOC hopes will contribute towards ongoing organized crime discussions at the UN, including for the 2020 Crime Congress and the UNTOC CoP in 2020.

NIOC directorate meeting was held on December 20, 2019 to plan the activities for January 2020.





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December, 2019

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- ▶ 2nd Advisory Board Meeting of NIOC Pakistan
- ▶ Director NIOC participates in Dubai Moot
- ▶ Global Initiative Consultation Meeting in Bangkok
- ▶ Drug Trafficking in Pakistan

### About NIOC Pakistan

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# January 2020

During January 2020, the third NIOC advisory board meeting was held on January 17, 2020 in Islamabad. Following were the salient features of the meeting:

- A monthly December newsletter issued that contained updates, alerts and excerpts of relevant articles in the four categories of organized crime that NIOC was addressing.
- Improvement to NIOC website will be made from international best practices perspective.
- Analysis Paper on Drug Trafficking has been shared with Ministry of Narcotics Control for feedback and would be disseminated before the end of January 2020.
- The analysis paper on terror financing is work in progress. Its draft would be ready by mid-February.
- NIOC is establishing a network, on the lines of GI-TOC, of committed individuals working against organized crime all over the country.
- Member AB Zubair Habib, in collaboration with ANF, was requested to get a survey carried out about the extent of drug abuse among the students of Karachi. This would be an important project for which UNODC's support would be enlisted.
- For better visibility on social media space, Secretary NIOC Mr. Amir Rana was requested to launch NIOC on PIPS Facebook as well as Twitter handle
- Op-Eds to be written on NIOC and its mission in DAWN - a leading newspaper of Pakistan
- NACTA will arrange a special briefing/presentation for NIOC on terror financing. Modalities will be worked out soon between NC NACTA and Director NIOC

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Third advisory board meeting & consultation session with stakeholders of NIOC-Pakistan held on January 17, 2020 at Islamabad Club



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- Mr. Kashif Noon and Mr. Ali Nekokara will get in touch with FIA focal persons on Human Trafficking and Cyber Crimes and start work on analysis papers in the two categories of organized crimes.

A consultation session with stakeholders was held on January 17, 2020. Director NIOC welcomed senior officers who attended the Consultation Session after the AB Meeting. DG CTF Mr. Muhammad Iqbal and Mr Abbasi from NACTA; ADGs Ahmed Mukarram and Mr. Ehsan Sadiq from FIA; and DDG ANF Mr. Ghulam Qadir They made a significant contribution to the discussions during the consultation session. The following decisions were taken after NIOC presentations on Terror Financing (TF) and Drug Trafficking by Consultant Mr. Kashif Noon:

- NACTA will arrange a special briefing/presentation for NIOC on TF. Modalities will be worked out soon between NC NACTA and Director NIOC.
- DDG ANF undertook a feedback by MNC and ANF on NIOC Drug Trafficking Paper.
- TF Presentation will be fine-tuned and shared with NACTA soon.
- Kashif Noon and Mr. Ali Nekokara will get in touch with FIA focal persons on Human Trafficking and Cyber Crimes to start work on analysis papers in the two categories of organized crimes.

President, Director, Secretary and Advisory Board members of NIOC participated in Dialogue Pakistan 2020 held on January 25, 2020 at Hotel Margala, Islamabad. Mr Tariq Parvez-President and Mr Tariq Khosa-Director National Initiative against Organized Crime in Pakistan, and AB member Mr Zahid Hussain, were given an opportunity to speak in a session "Have We won the War against Terrorism". They discussed in detail the challenges faced to Pakistan in terms of organized crimes and especially terror financing.

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- ▶ Minutes of 3rd NIOC AB Meeting and Consultation Session
- ▶ NIOC Leadership Participated in Dialogue Pakistan, 2020
- ▶ Pakistan and the FATF
- ▶ FIA cyber crime cell registers over 15,000 cases
- ▶ NIOC Pakistan Featured on GI-TOC Website



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# February 2020

In the month of February, the fourth advisory board meeting was held on February 7, 2020 in Islamabad. Following were the main points:

- Analysis paper on Drug Trafficking and two policy briefs on Afghan Drug impact on Pakistan and Domestic Drug Abuse Menace were shared with the Joint Secretary Ministry of Narcotics Control for peer review and further feedback
- A drug abuse survey amongst students of Karachi was also to be conducted by CPLC in collaboration with the ANF
- AB approved to hold 2-day International Conference on Organized Crime at Islamabad Club on 21-22 March 2020
- Improved the design and quality of NIOC Brochure
- Redesigned the NIOC website
- Prepared analysis paper on each focus area of the NIOC preferably to be ready by March 15, 2020
- Draft Analysis Paper on Terror Financing issued.



Forth advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on February 07, 2020 at Islamabad Club



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NIOC engaged the following two experts to write research papers on two of Its thematic areas:

- Mr Jameel Hussain Junejo wrote a paper on Drug situation in Karachi.
- Mr Asad Jamal worked on an Analysis Paper on Cybercrime legislation and related rules: Recommended Way Forward

Police District of Dadu in collaboration with National Initiative against Organized Crime (NIOC) Pakistan organized Inter School Sindhi language declamation contest among the youth of the district on February 15, 2020 in Dadu, Sindh. The thematic focus was 'Drug Abuse is a Menace for Society'. Students from 12 schools of the districts participated in the contest. The event was attended by journalists, teachers and other respected citizens of Dadu District of Sindh Province.



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NIOC directorate started preparation for the International Conference on Organized Crimes to be held on March 21-22, 2020. In this regard, it sent out invitation letters to relevant stakeholders, experts and officials, and nominations letters to relevant departments.



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Inter School declamation contest by Dadu Police

To watch the short video report please click on the following link below  
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- ▶ NIOC Pakistan finds a prominent space in Global Initiative network bulletin
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- ▶ Afghanistan drug addiction on the rise as conflict continues
- ▶ The Organized Crime and Terrorist Nexus: Overhyping the Relationship
- ▶ NIOC for addressing structural loopholes to overcome organised crimes



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# March 2020

During March, the fifth advisory board meeting was held on March 6, 2020. Following were the main points of the meeting

- NIOC distributed its brochure [printed copies] among all the relevant stakeholders including foreign missions, CSOs and think-tanks.
- NIOC Newsletter for February 2020 was reviewed and approved for circulation by PIPS.
- NIOC website was developed and launched to improve outreach of its activities and products ([www.nioc.pk](http://www.nioc.pk)). Participants agreed that more professional material would be added to make it purposeful.
- NIOC has established a Network of Experts working in the areas of organized crime. All Advisory Board Members were asked to nominate Experts and Champions of Change from among the civil society for approval by NIOC AB in next meeting to be held on Friday, 3 April 2020.
- A Paper on Drug Trafficking was approved by the AB. It would be sent to GI-TOC for circulation globally.
- GI-TOC Discussion on fragility and violence was found to be especially useful by advisory board. Kashif Noon, Consultant, was tasked to prepare its summary for discussion during AB Meeting on 3 April 2020
- Finally, draft of the analysis paper on Terror Financing was presented to the AB by Consultant Kashif Noon. Particularly useful discussion was held and feedback and review by DIG Shahzada Sultan of NACTA was appreciated.



Fifth advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on March 06, 2020 at Islamabad Club



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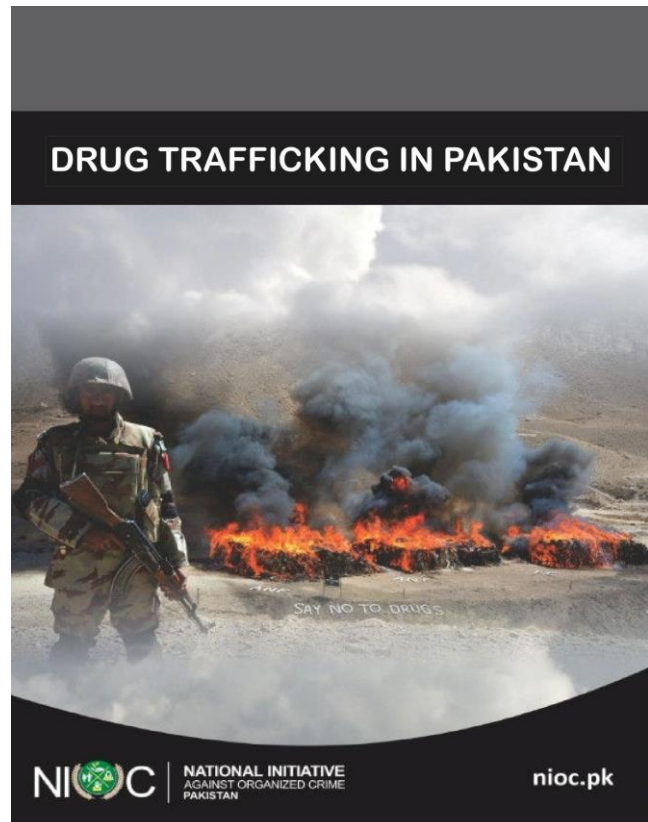
Mr Jameel Hussain Junejo finalised the paper on the drug situation in Karachi and shared with AB members for their feedback. Mr Asad Jamal was writing an analysis paper on “Cybercrime legislation and related rules: Recommended way forward.” Due to the current coronavirus situation, he will submit the paper in the first week of April. Mr Kashif Noon-Consultant has finalised the papers on terror financing and drug trafficking during the current month but also started to produce first draft of paper on human trafficking.

NIOC directorate had started preparations for the said International Conference. It was decided to postpone

the 1st International Conference on Organized Crime earlier scheduled for 21-22 March. New dates are 13-14 April 2020, subject to relaxation of restrictions imposed by the government on meetings and conferences.

Community outreach plan with Islamabad Police for public awareness about drug abuse among school and college students had to be postponed.

Mr Tariq Khosa released a video message On March 23, 2020 (Pakistan Day) for AB members, partners, directorate staff and civil society about the activities and updates of National Initiative against Organized Crime. The video was titled "We celebrate this because Pakistan Resolution was passed in 1940". Some message highlighted were as follows: “We are facing this crisis of Coronavirus. According to our national motto “Unity, Faith, Discipline,” we will certainly as a resilient nation overcome this challenge. Community outreach activities are [continuing to be] suspended, although we are practicing social distancing. However, we are digitally connected and pursuing our research work.”





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Healthcare systems may not be the only ones to step up recruitment powers ahead of the Financial Action Task Force's June 2020 deadline.
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- ▶ Healthcare systems may not be the only ones to step up recruitment
- ▶ Pangolins no longer wanted



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# April 2020

In the month of April, the sixth advisory board meeting was held on April 3, 2020 in Islamabad. Some main points were:

- In order to support Global Initiative's Covid Crime Watch, NIOC AB decided to launch Organized Crime and Pandemic Nexus in Pakistan Project. The weekly reviews involve mapping and monitoring of criminal activities in the four categories of OC: terror financing; drug trafficking; human trafficking and cybercrimes. An additional aspect of terrorist incidents was also to be included. Secretary NIOC is tasked to compile a Weekly Update and Analysis that is shared with GI-TOC Resilience Fund in Vienna.
- It was also decided to start a NIOC Blog on related OC developments in April, May and June 2020. Secretary Amir Rana has initiated this effort and apart from AB Members and NIOC Directorate staff, some other prominent opinion-makers have been requested to contribute.
- NIOC AB gave go-ahead to obtain membership/ registration of NGOs Alliance on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice launched by the UNODC. An annual fee of Euro 60 would be paid. Secretary NIOC Amir Rana has submitted application on behalf of NIOC/PIPS.
- NIOC AB also approved that Director NIOC should seek an extension of two months of May and June 2020 for the Pilot Project completion of mission as COVID-19 had slowed down the activities being undertaken. Main justification for extension was to launch OC and Pandemic Nexus monitoring. Some additional funds were sought from GI-TOC Resilience Fund through a proposal. Approval for extension has been conveyed by GI Resilience Fund.

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Sixth advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on April 03, 2020



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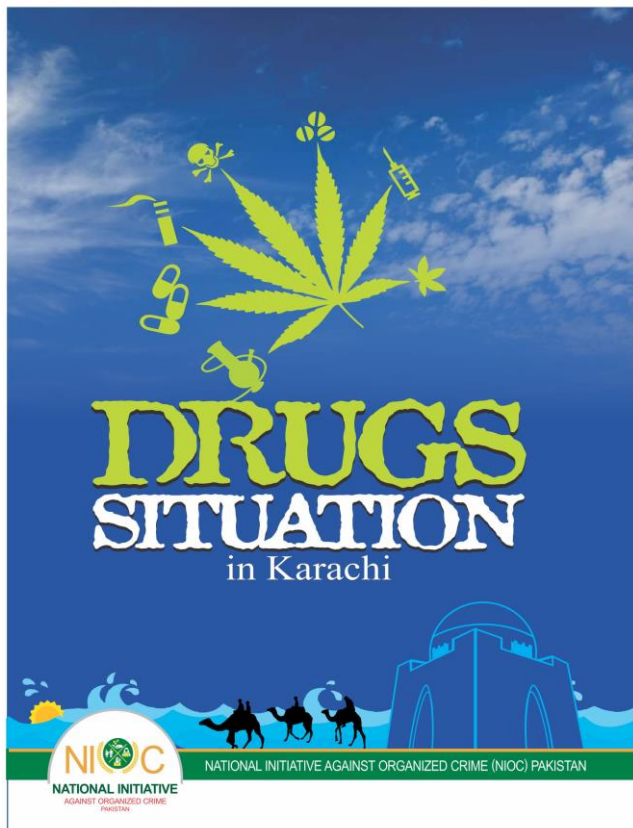
- Advisory Board welcomed the inclusion of 6th member Ms Samina Ahmed who consented to be part of the National Initiative against Organized Crime in Pakistan. She will formally join on 1 May 2020 and shall participate in next AB Meeting proposed to be held on Friday 8 May 2020.
- NIOC Newsletter for April 2020 was reviewed and approved for circulation.

Paper on “Drug Situation in Karachi” was submitted by researcher Jameel Junejo. It was published on NIOC website and disseminated in print to relevant stakeholders. Kashif Noon submitted the first draft of Analysis Paper on “Human Smuggling and Trafficking”. It was shared with DG FIA for input on last five years data as well as the feedback from the agency's expert. Draft analysis Paper on Terror Financing was approved with the suggestion to flag the challenges that the coronavirus pandemic will pose and opportunities that may exist for the militant organizations to exploit the situation in the garb of charity donations that could be diverted to criminal activities. Consultant Kashif Noon was tasked to prepare a shorter policy brief on TF based on

the Analysis Paper. Paper on “Cyber Crime Legislation” could not be submitted by Barrister Asad Jamal during April as he fell ill. It would be finalized in May and shall be shared with all AB Members.

NIOC membership/ registration in “NGOs Alliance on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice” was successfully managed.

Advisory board approved to postpone the planned International Conference on Organized Crime, earlier planned to be held in Islamabad on 13-14 April, due to travel restrictions. It was decided that the conference may be convened in June





2020, subject to COVID-19 situation. In case situation does not improve, it was agreed that National Strategy against Organized Crime may be disseminated through printed report or through a few podcasts.

NIOC director and advisory board members regularly write blogs related to organized crime developments and Covid-19 pandemic for the website.

Corona Crime Watch Pakistan, a weekly review of the situation of the Covid-19 pandemic and its interface with the organized crime, was continually developed and disseminated through the NIOC website. The weekly monitor worked as a civil society initiative to support the institutional and community responses. It is based on the information collected from open sources, mainly the mainstream media reports, Urdu and English as well as information collected from various experts associated with the project.

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- ▶ The Coronavirus Pandemic and the Cyber Landscape
- ▶ Policing Covid-19
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- ▶ Corona crime watch review Pakistan (01 to 24 April, 2020)



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# May 2020

In May 2020, the NIOC seventh advisory board meeting was held on May 15, 2020 in Islamabad. Following were the main points:

- Director Tariq Khosa introduced new Advisory Board Member Ms Samina Ahmed, and Consultant Ammar Jaffri. Ms Ahmed of Brussels-based International Crisis Group is an expert on security and criminal justice issues. She is Director of ICG and is currently in Islamabad. Mr Jaffri is former Additional Director General of the Federal Investigation Agency whose expertise in technology is well established.
- Mr Tariq Parvez, President NIOC AB, welcome both new team members of NIOC Pakistan.
- Director informed the Board about extension of NIOC Pilot Project for two months of May and June 2020 due to Covid-19 challenges that affected the targets that had to be achieved during the first six months of the project approved and supported by Global Initiative Resilience Fund. He specially appreciated and thanked GI Resilience Fund Manager Ian Tennant and his team in Vienna for their generous and wholehearted support to NIOC Pakistan.
- Secretary NIOC Amir Rana also informed the Board that a professional editor has been engaged to convert NIOC Analysis Papers on Terror Financing, Drug Trafficking, Human Smuggling and Cyber Crimes into Policy Briefs. This task would be completed before 07 June 2020.
- Another proposal was discussed in the context of holding Roundtables on a category of OC that NIOC is focusing on like terrorism, drug trafficking and

cyber-crimes. This can be a fortnightly feature to be hosted by an AB Member and participation by 3 or 4 experts at the national or international level. Consultant Ammar Jaffri will organize these round tables.

NIOC will come up with a short paper on terrorism in Pakistan during Covid-19 outbreak, especially in the context of conflict zone of Afghanistan and recent peace accord between the Taliban and the US. Amir Rana, Secretary NIOC would prepare this paper and take the help of AB Members and can seek assistance of any other professional of his choice to put together the paper on terrorism before 15 June 2020.

Mr Ammar Jaffri, Consultant on Communications Strategy, was tasked to come up with a Concept Paper on "Engaging the Civil Society to Strengthen Community Resilience against Organized Crime". He will submit this concept paper before 31 May 2020.

NIOC Directorate will come up with a National Strategy against Organized Crime in Pakistan by later in 2020. Draft will be prepared by Consultant Kashif Noon. It will cover four categories of OC: terror financing, drug trafficking, human smuggling and cybercrimes.

National Stakeholders' Conference will be held during the third or last week of June provided Islamabad Club, the proposed venue of the moot, is opened as part of government policy of lockdowns during the coronavirus outbreak. Further modalities in this regard will be finalized in the 8th AB Meeting to be held on Friday 5 June 2020.

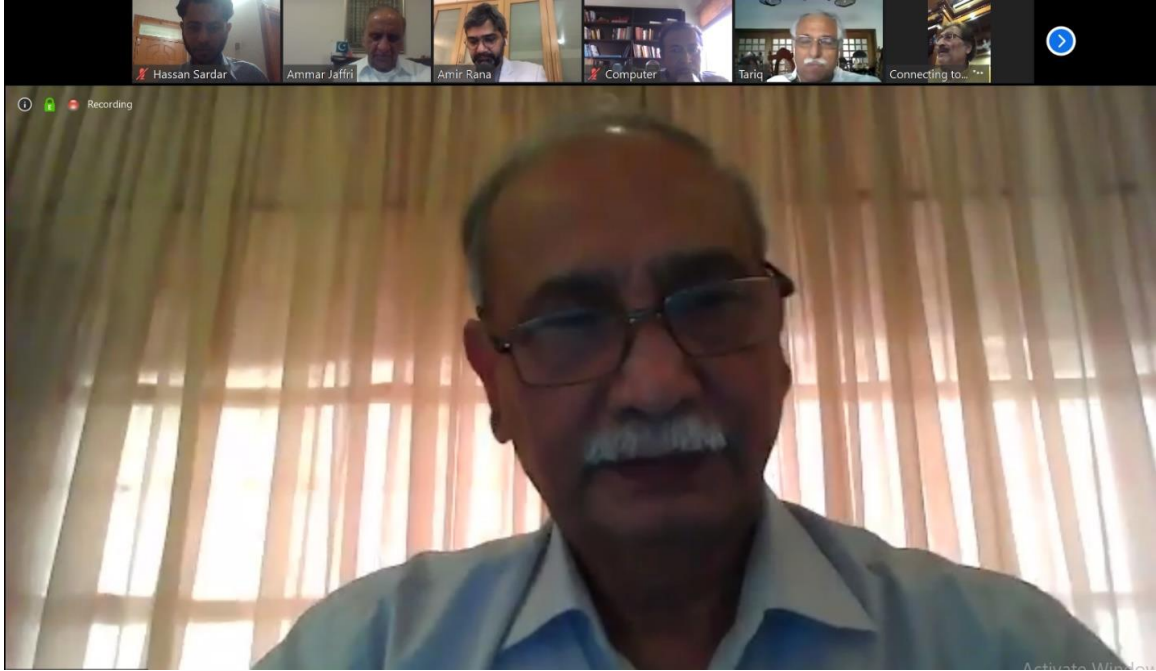
NIOC directorate started publishing blogs regularly related to organized crime developments and Covid-19 pandemic on website.

NIOC is currently issuing a weekly Corona Crime Watch review as a result of decision taken during last AB Meeting on 3 April. Secretary NIOC Amir Rana is spearheading this important initiative, which has been appreciated by GI Resilience Fund as well as different international stakeholders who are recipients of the weekly review issued every Saturday. AB Members gave useful suggestions to add value to this weekly review.

NIOC Directorate meeting held through video link on 23 May 2020 to follow up some decisions taken during advisory board meeting on May 15, 2020.



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Seventh advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on May 15, 2020



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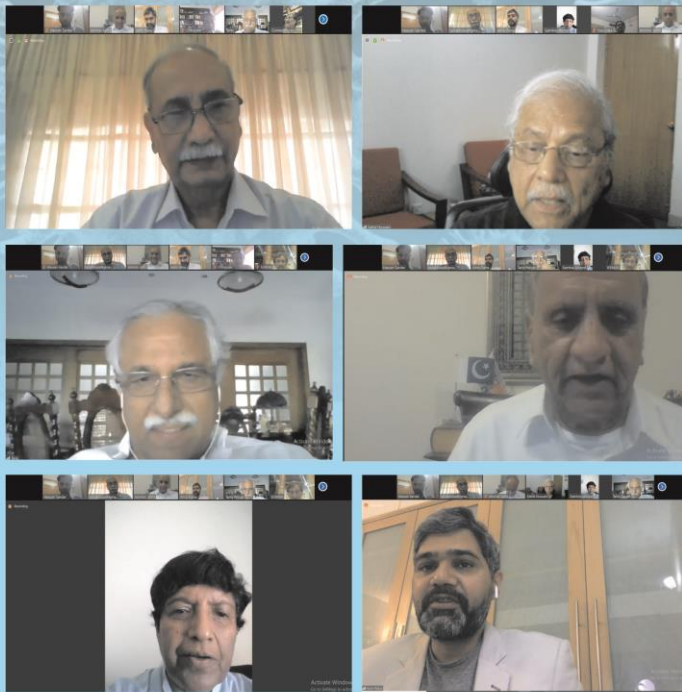
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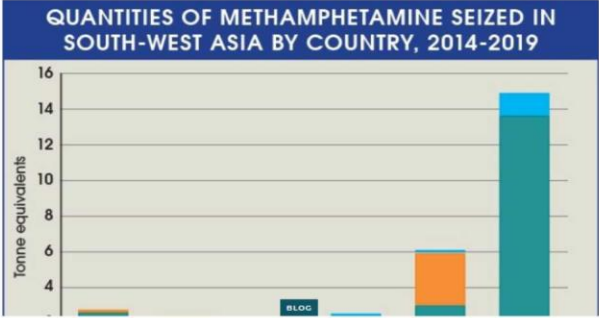
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# June 2020

In the month of June 2020, the eighth advisory board meeting was held on June 5, 2020 in Islamabad. Following were the main points of the meeting

- The Minutes of the previous [7th] Advisory Board meeting were approved.
- Director NIOC also sought proposals from advisory board members about the performance of NIOC since its inception on 01 November 2019. While some suggestions were made, the Members undertook to convey those through emails to the Director.
- President AB Tariq Parvez informed the members about a USIP Initiative on Police Reforms Follow-up in Pakistan. He wanted collaboration from NIOC for this initiative. Since justice sector reforms would be part of the expanded mandate of NIOC from July, the members assured him of support.
- Due to his official engagements, advisory board member Fiaz Toru asked not to be included in the Advisory Board from July 2020. Director NIOC informed that Jawaid Akhtar, former deputy chief constable of the West Yorkshire Police UK had agreed to be a Member of NIOC AB. He has vast experience in dealing with organized crime in the UK.
- Another area of focus was criminal justice reforms in the context of OC. Director NIOC informed that Justice Asif Saeed Khosa, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pakistan, will join NIOC as Criminal Justice Advisor. He will be associated in an honorary capacity.
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# Roundtable on Terrorism and COVID-19

Online Webinar  
On Thursday  
04 June, 2020 | 5:00 pm

## Panelists



Zahid Hussain  
Security Analyst



Samina Ahmed  
Senior Adviser Asia  
International Crisis Group



Muhammad Amir Rana  
Security &  
Political Analyst



Tariq Khosa  
Director  
National Initiative against  
Organized Crime-Pakistan  
Moderator for Webinar

NIOC roundtable conference on "Terrorism and COVID-19" was held on June 4, 2020.

To watch the full video please click on the following link below

<https://youtu.be/gCmkLyasjwl>



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8th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on June 05, 2020



8th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on June 05, 2020

- Policy briefs on “Drug Trafficking in Karachi,” “Drug Situation in Pakistan” and “Human Smuggling and Trafficking in Pakistan” were approved for further dissemination and publication; these have already been edited. Policy briefs on “Terror Financing” and “Cyber Crimes” are in editing process and would be finalized by end June.

NIOC's Plan of Activities for July-December 2020 was discussed. It was agreed to expand the scope of NIOC mandate to include the full spectrum of terrorism as it poses a major threat to Pakistan through Organized Criminal Networks. Emphasis will be placed on CT and CVE strategies.

Secretary Amir Rana presented outline of a policy brief on “Terrorism and Covid-19.” After a discussion about some latest developments in the context of resurgence of militancy, the outline was accordingly approved. Amir Rana will finalize the policy brief in the last week of June. Mr Ammar Jaffri, Consultant on Communications Strategy, presented an outline of “Community Outreach Strategy” that would be put in place in the second half of 2020. He was asked to finalize the same by 30th of June. Consultant Kashif Noon presented an outline of a draft “National Strategy against Organized Crime.” He was asked to submit the first draft by 30th of June. OC National Strategy will be approved in the last week of June before completion of NIOC Pilot Project phase.

NIOC organized first Roundtable on Terrorism and Covid-19 on 4 June 2020. Director NIOC Tariq Khosa moderated the discussion. Three eminent panellists Zahid Hussain, Samina Ahmed and Amir Rana carried out a very professional discussion. Director NIOC presented a six-point national agenda at the end of the discussion by recommending the way forward for Pakistan.

NIOC organized second roundtable on "Cyber Harassment under the shadow of corona: incidence, control and punishment" on 18 June 2020. Advisory board member Fasi Zaka moderated the discussion. Three renowned panellists Farieha Aziz, Ammar Jafri and Nighat Dad carried out a very fruitful conversation. Mr Ehsan Sadiq Additional Director General FIA participated in the discussion as a guest of honour and gave his expert opinion.

NIOC arranged third roundtable on "Advocacy for Police Reform" on 22 June 2020. Advisory board member Samina Ahmed moderated the discussion. Justice Asif Saeed Khan Khosa, Former Chief Justice of Pakistan was the Guest of Honour. Three well-known panellists Tariq Parvez, Zahid Hussain and Hassan Abbas raised different sets of questions with Justice Khosa. All interconnected very well with their pertinent observations.


National Stakeholders' Conference on organized crimes was postponed due to COVID-19 situation. Further course of action will be discussed in the next AB Meeting to be held on 10 July 2020.

NIOC was issuing Corona Crime Watch review on every Saturday. Secretary NIOC Amir Rana spearheaded this important initiative, which was appreciated by international stakeholders who were recipients of the weekly review.


Justice Asif Saeed Khosa, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pakistan, joined NIOC as Senior Justice Sector Advisor in an honorary capacity.

Policy brief "Drug Trafficking in Pakistan" was published on the website as well as disseminated to stakeholders in print. Policy brief "Strategic Policy Options to curb Terrorism Financing in Pakistan" was published on the NIOC website and disseminated to relevant stakeholders in print. Policy brief on "Human smuggling and Trafficking in Pakistan" was published on the NIOC website and widely disseminated to relevant stakeholders in print form. A policy brief on "Terrorism and Covid-19" by Amir Rana was approved by AB. Consultant Kashif Noon completed the first draft of "National Strategy against Organized Crime in Pakistan". NIOC Directorate meeting held through video link on 25 May 2020 to follow up end of June activities.





 National Initiative against Organized Crime Pakistan  
Roundtable on  
**Cyber Harassment under the shadow of Corona:  
Incidence, Control and Punishment**  
Online Webinar  
June 18, 2020 | 5:00 pm


**Guest of Honour**


  
**Ehsan Sadiq**  
Additional Director General  
Cyber Crime Wing FIA

**Panelists**

  
**Farieha Aziz**  
Journalist & Co-founder of Bolo Bhi

  
**Ammar Jaffri**  
Director General  
Center of Information Technology (CIT)

  
**Nighat Dad**  
Executive Director, Digital Rights Foundation

  
**Fasi Zaka**  
(Moderator)  
Public policy communications expert

NIOC roundtable conference on "Cyber harassment under the shadow of corona: incidence, control and punishment" was held on June 18, 2020  
To watch the full video please click on the following link below  
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National Initiative against Organized Crime Pakistan  
Roundtable on  
**Advocacy for Police Reform**  
Online Webinar  
June 22, 2020 | 5:00 pm

Guest of Honour



**Justice Asif Saeed Khan Khosa**  
Former Chief Justice of Pakistan

Panelists



**Tariq Parvez**  
Former Director General  
Federal Investigation Agency



**Zahid Hussain**  
Senior Security Analyst



**Hassan Abbas**  
Distinguished Professor  
NFSA, NDU Washington



**Samina Ahmed**  
Moderator  
Senior Advisor  
International Crisis Group

NIOC roundtable conference on "Advocacy for police reforms" was held on June 22, 2020.

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[https://youtu.be/LpttGy\\_dLNQ](https://youtu.be/LpttGy_dLNQ)

# HUMAN SMUGGLING AND TRAFFICKING IN PAKISTAN



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# Strategic Policy Options to Curb Terrorism Financing in Pakistan



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## 8th Advisory Board Meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on June 05, 2020

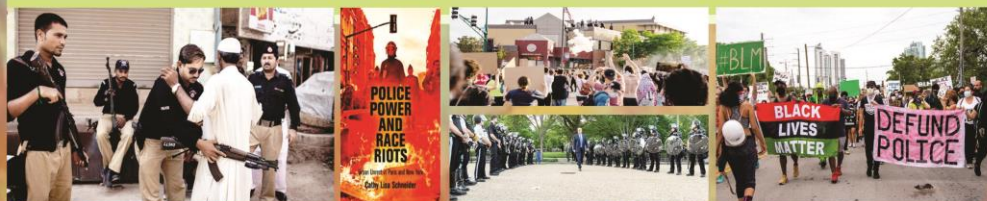


**Introduction and Rationale for a National Strategy**

Transnational, serious and organised criminals are resilient, sophisticated and networked. They take advantage of political, economic, legal, technological and social changes in the world, and can adapt and diversify across multiple crime types. As the environment changes and criminals adapt, so too must the national response.

This Strategy provides a national framework to fight transnational and organised crime. It provides a guide for governments, the private sector, society organisations, and the community in developing individual and collective responses to the threat.

This Strategy will inform the development of more detailed plans and at the national and provincial levels, to build on and strengthen the existing efforts.





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# July 2020

During July 2020, the ninth advisory board meeting was held on July 10, 2020 in Islamabad. Following were the main points of the meeting:

- The Minutes of the previous [8th] Advisory Board meeting were approved.
- Director NIOC welcomed and introduced Jawaid Akhtar, new AB Member. Jawaid, born in Pakistan, moved to the UK, studied there and joined West Yorkshire Police, 4th largest police force of the UK. He rose to Number 2 position as Deputy Chief Constable before his retirement. He has expertise in the area of Organized Crime. Jawaid, in his introductory remarks narrated his experience of working with Police Services of Pakistan and assured of his meaningful contribution to promote the mandate of NIOC against transnational organized crimes.
- Director NIOC then introduced Ian Tennant, Manager Global Initiative Resilience Fund whom he met in December 2019 in Bangkok at a GI-TOC regional meeting. Ian, originally from the UK, is based in Vienna to oversee and coordinate the initiatives launched by GI-Resilience Fund in different countries from 2019. NIOC was launched in November 2019 as a pilot project, initially for six months and was later extended till June 2020 due to Covid-19 and its adverse impact on the target completion. The Project had now entered Phase-2 of six months from July to December 2020. Director Khosa thanked the GIRF management for the trust reposed and continued support for the cause of building community resilience against OC in Pakistan.



## Advocacy for Police Reforms

### Roundtable Conference

July 2, 2020 | 5 - 6:30 PM (PKT)

#### Hosts



Mr. Tariq Parvez  
IGP (R)



Mr. Adnan Rafiq  
Country Director for Pakistan,  
United States Institute of Peace

#### Panelists



Mr. Shaukat Javed  
IGP (R)



Mr. Shoaib Dastgir  
IGP Punjab



Syed Sumsam Bokhari  
Minister/MPA



Ms. Aisha Nawaz  
Chaudhary  
MPA



Malik Muhammad  
Ahmad Khan  
MPA



Mr. Ali Haider Gilani  
MPA





Mr. Adnan Adil  
Journalist

#### Moderator



Mr. Tariq Khosa  
IGP (R)

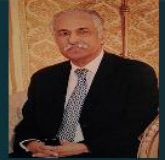
NIOC roundtable conference on "Advocacy for police reforms" was held on July 02, 2020.  
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## NIOC Round Table Conference Advocacy for Police Reforms

July 9, 2020  
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

### Hosts




**Mr. Tariq Parvez**  
IGP (R)  
President Advisory Board, NIOC




**Mr. Adnan Rafiq**  
Country Director  
for Pakistan United States Institute of Peace


### Panelists




**Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem**  
Leader of the House of Senate




**Senator Lieutenant General Abdul Qayyum**  
Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Defence Production




**Mr. Afzal Shigri**  
SGP (R)




**Dr. Shauqib Suddle**  
SGP (R)




**Ms. Shandana Gulzar Khan**  
MNA



**Dr. Muhammad Raheem Awan**  
Secretary Law and Justice Commission of Pakistan




**Mr. Rana Jawad**  
Senior Journalist



**Mr. Fahd Husain**  
Senior Journalist

### Moderator



**Dr. Samina Ahmed**  
Advisor, International Crisis Group (ICG)

NIOC roundtable conference on "Advocacy for police reforms" was held on July 09, 2020.

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9th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on July 10, 2020



9th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on July 10, 2020



## NIOC Round Table Conference ADVOCACY FOR POLICE REFORMS

July 23, 2020  
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

HOST



**Mr. Tariq Parvez IGP (R)**  
President Advisory Board, NIOC

MODERATOR



**Mr. Tahsin Shah IGP (R)**

PANELISTS



**Madam Samar Haroon Bilour**  
MPA



**Mr. Akhtar Ali Shah**  
IGP (R)



**Mr. Tariq Javed**  
IGP (R)



**Mr. Ahmed Ali Kundi**  
MPA



**Mr. Arshid Jan**  
Programme Specialist Rule of Law, UNDP



**Mr. Ismail Khan**  
Resident Editor, Dawn



**Ms. Syeda Zahida Bukhari**  
Law Enforcement Specialist, UNDP

NIOC roundtable conference on "Advocacy for police reforms" was held on July 23, 2020.

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- Ian Tennant, in his remarks, expressed his pleasure at joining the AB Meeting and being introduced to all the NIOC Members. He informed that GI Resilience Fund was launched by GI-TOC in May 2019 and now for more than a year it had launched projects and initiatives in 17 countries. He described the National Initiative against Organized Crime in Pakistan as GI Resilience Fund's flagship initiative that in a short span of time had earned national and global recognition. Responding to Director NIOC's remark of a few professionals in Pakistan making a 'humble' effort to make a difference, he responded that the efforts being made by NIOC can make great contributions. On account of his prior commitment, Ian sought leave by wishing all the NIOC members success in their endeavours.
- Director NIOC took up agenda items of the Board Meeting. He apprised the meeting that final draft of the policy brief on “Terrorism during Covid-19 in Pakistan” had been circulated to all AB members for final review before publication. Useful discussion followed with inputs from Zahid Hussain, Samina Ahmed, Zubair Habib and President AB Tariq Parvez. It was agreed that PB on Terrorism would be finalised within a week so that it could be released before end of July 2020.
- As part of Advocacy and Community Outreach Plan, NIOC has been holding Roundtable Conferences and Webinars since June 2020. Three Roundtables were held on June 4, June 18 and June 22 on Terrorism during Covid-19, Cyber Harassment during Coronavirus Pandemic and Advocacy for Police Reform Initiative Launch. During July 2020, three Roundtables on Advocacy for Police Reform were held on 2, 9 and 23 July. The Advisory Board endorsed NIOC's plan for Roundtables/Webinars as part of Advocacy and Community Outreach Strategy to be followed during the second half of year 2020.
- Manager Administration NIOC was asked to expand and organise the Mailing List for dissemination of NIOC publications.
- Director NIOC raised the proposal to identify Champions of Change from amongst the civil society organisations, legislators, media and other sectors so

that they can be motivated to pursue objectives against OC Networks. GI-TOC Network includes individuals serving in various government institutions as well. NIOC AB will deliberate to include some motivated officials who are serving in various organizations combating organized crime in Pakistan.

- Director NIOC also raised the avenue of collaboration at both national and international levels by building partners for concerted efforts against the menace of OC. NIOC has already become a Member of UNODC-steered Alliance of NGOs working against OC. It is a matter of pride for NIOC to be accorded this opportunity as part of global efforts to meet the challenges posed by OC Networks.

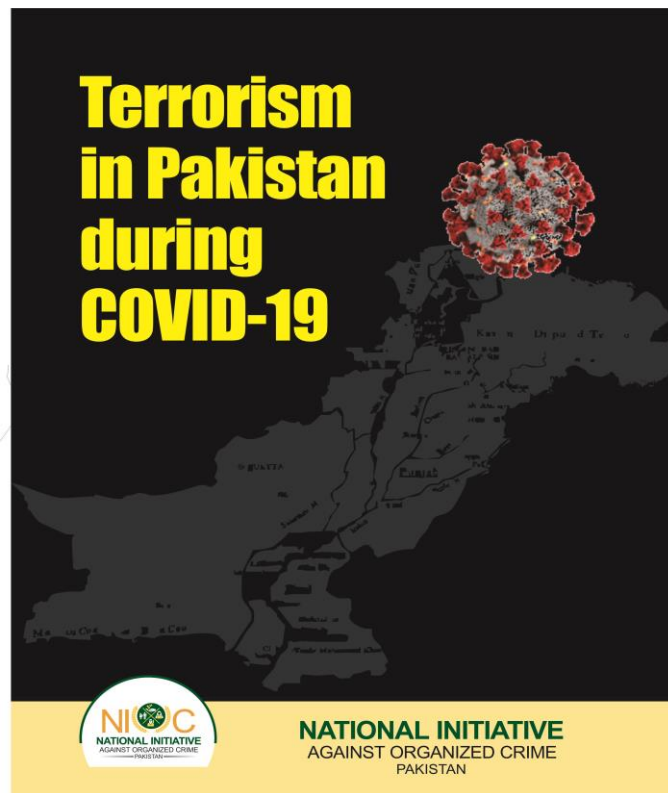
Community Outreach Strategy prepared by Ammar Jaffri; Communications Strategist was also circulated by the Director to all AB Members. After some discussion, it was agreed that AB Member Fasi Zaka would lead this initiative and fine-tune the strategy. We expect a strategy document vetted by him to be presented In August 2020. National Strategy against Organized Crime” prepared by Lead Researcher Kashif Noon was circulated among the AB Members by Director. The 3Ps Strategy: Prevent, Prosecute and Protect was briefly discussed and its central delivery, coordination and implementation mechanism had to be debated before finalisation. Director requested all AB Members for their early feedback on the first draft of OC strategy.

NIOC arranged second roundtable on Advocacy for Police Reform on 02 July 2020. NIOC Director moderated the discussion. Mr Shaukat Javed, Mr Shoaib Dastgir, Syed Sumsam Bokhari, Ms Aisha Nawaz, Malik Muhammad Ahmad Khan, Mr Ali Haider Gillani and Mr Adnan Adil participated as panellists in the discussion. NIOC arranged third roundtable on Advocacy for Police Reform on 09 July 2020. Advisory board member Samina Ahmed moderated the discussion. Dr Shahzad Waseem, Senator Lieutenant General ret Abdul Qayyum, Mr Afzal Shigri, Dr Shoaib Suddle, Ms Shandana Gulzar Khan, Dr Muhammad Raheem Awan, Rana Jawad and Mr Fahd Husain contributed as panellists in the roundtable conference. NIOC arranged fourth roundtable on Advocacy for Police Reform on 23 July 2020. IGP ret Mr Tahsin Shah moderated the discussion. Ms Samar Haroon Bilour, Mr Akhtar Ali Shah, Mr Tariq



Javed, Mr Ahmed Ali Kundi, Mr Arshid Jan, Mr Ismail Khan and Syeda Zahida Bukhari participated as panellists in the roundtable.

NIOC directorate is publishing blogs regularly related to organized crime developments on the website. NIOC is issuing Corona Crime Watch weekly review regularly. Secretary NIOC Amir Rana is leading this initiative, which has been valued by international stakeholders who are recipients of the weekly review.





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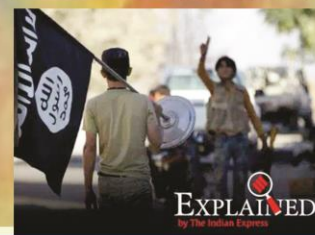
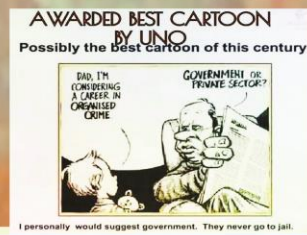
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## 9th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on July 10, 2020



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# August 2020

In August 2020, the tenth advisory board meeting was held on August 07, 2020 in Islamabad. Following were the main points of the meeting:

- The Minutes of the previous [9th] Advisory Board meeting were approved.
- Director NIOC Tariq Khosa informed the board members that “Advocacy for Police Reforms” roundtables and webinars had been completed in collaboration with the USIP Project. The project team will compile the report.
- It was decided that instead of roundtables and webinars consisting of several panellists, NIOC would undertake interviews on relevant topics with professionals. Director Tariq Khosa, AB member Samina Ahmed and Secretary NIOC Amir Rana will conduct virtual interviews during August and September this year.
- Kashif Noon shared the first chapter on “Uzair Baloch: OC Don of Karachi” and shared the outline of five chapters to be written by him. This would be an important case study of the nexus of organized crime with politics.
- Director NIOC would explore further how to engage with and establish a national network of experts dealing with OC.

Ammar Jaffri organized first engagement with the community and NGOs to sensitize them about the threats of OC to the society at large. The second draft of the “National Strategy on Organized Crime” was discussed in detail. Consultant Kashif Noon will come up with the third draft in a week's time and that would be shared with the AB members.





# NIOC Round Table Conference ADVOCACY FOR POLICE REFORMS



August 06, 2020  
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

## HOST



**Mr. Tariq Parvez IGP (R)**  
President Advisory Board, NIOC

## MODERATOR



**Mr. Tahsin Shah IGP (R)**

## PANELISTS



**Mr. Niaz Siddiqi**  
IGP (R)



**Mr. Mushtaq Maher**  
IGP Sindh



**Mr. Abdul Khaliq Sheikh**  
Additional IGP Sindh



**Ms. Shamim Mumtaz**  
Member of the Provincial Assembly



**Mr. Zubair Habib**  
Chairman Citizens Police Liaison Committee (CPLC)



**Ms. Rubina Brohi**  
Regional Coordinator, Aurat Foundation



**Mr. Wusutallah Khan**  
Journalist



**Dr. Zoha Waseem**  
Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Institute for Global City Policing, UCL

NIOC roundtable conference on "Advocacy for police reforms" was held on August 06, 2020.

To watch the full video please click on the following link below

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10th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on August 07, 2020



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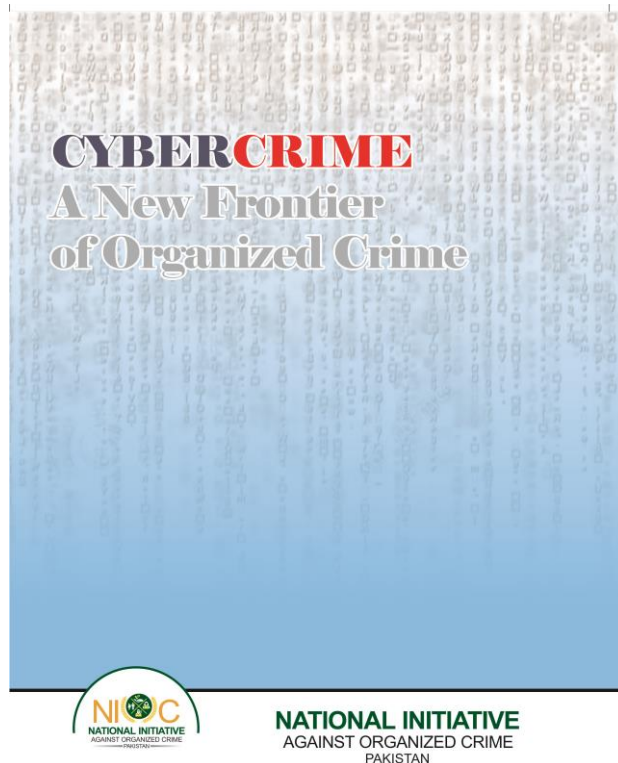
NIOC arranged fifth roundtable on Advocacy for Police Reform on 06 August 2020. IGP ret Mr Tahsin Shah moderated the discussion. Mr Niaz Siddiqi, Mr Mushtaq Maher, Mr Abdul Khaliq Sheikh, Ms Shamim Mumtaz, Mr Zubair Habib, Ms Rubina Brohi and Dr Zoha Waseem participated as panellists in the roundtable conference.

Policy brief on “Cybercrime: a new frontier of organized crime” was issued during the first week of August and shared with all the stakeholders after peer review by the FIA.

NIOC directorate is publishing blogs regularly related to organized crime developments and FATF on the NIOC website.

NIOC Directorate meeting held through video link on 26 August 2020 to follow up some decisions taken during last advisory board meeting.

NIOC is issuing Corona Crime Watch review-Pakistan on weekly basis. Secretary NIOC Amir Rana is leading this initiative, which has been valued by international stakeholders who are recipients of the weekly review.







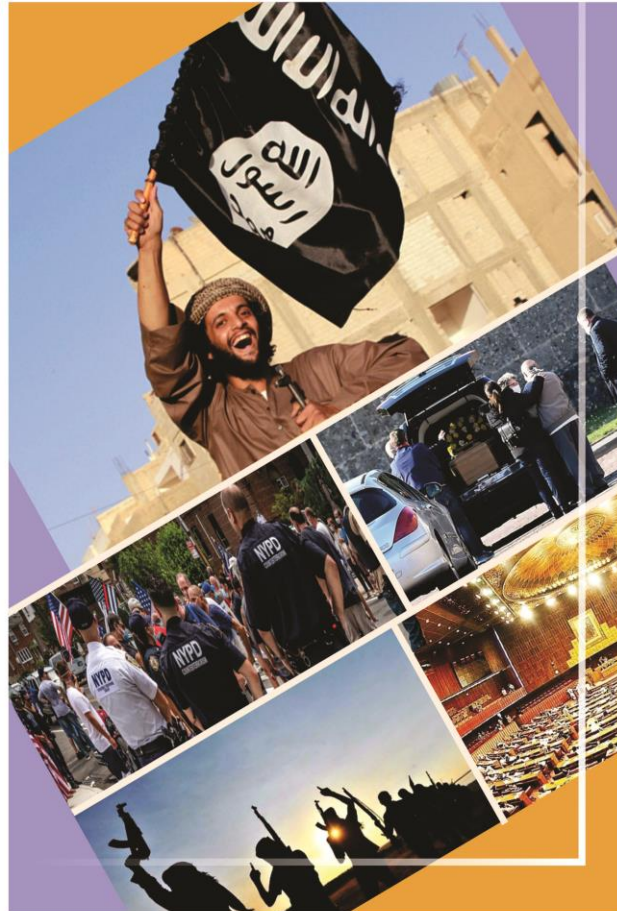
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# September 2020

In the month of September 2020, the eleventh advisory board meeting was held on September 07, 2020 in Islamabad. Following are the main points of the meeting:

- The Minutes of the previous [10th] Advisory Board meeting were approved.
- Director NIOC presented the outline of a finding proposal, which NIOC prepared in line with the ToR's provided by the British High Commission to conduct a series of webinars on countering extremism between October 2020 and February 2021. Proposal was titled as Combating Extremism through Constructive Engagement (CE through CE). All NIOC AB members supported the proposal and agreed to be moderators, hosts and panellists for the proposed webinars
- Consultant Kashif Noon was asked to finalize the write-up on Uzair Baloch saga showing crime-politics nexus as a case study before the end of September 2020.
- Director Khosa informed the Board of his decision to contest election for a vacant slot of Board Member of Vienna-based Alliance of NGOs on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice. AB Members wished him success.
- Director NIOC also floated the idea of conducting a Face-to-Face series of interviews with professional experts and champions of change in society as role models to develop community resilience against Organized Crime. Deputy director Ali Nekokara was nominated as the chief organizer to conduct interviews in the next few months.
- It was agreed that the 12th AB Meeting will be held on 2nd of October 2020 (Friday) at 4 pm.

# NIOC ANNUAL REPORT



11th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on September 04, 2020



11th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on September 04, 2020

In the context of community outreach, it was agreed to conduct a webinar on Human Trafficking in collaboration with the FIA as Pakistan finds itself again placed on US State Department's Tier-2 Watch List.

The draft of “Organised Crime: National Strategy” was discussed. Consultant Kashif Noon undertook to prepare and share an improved version in a week's time.

NIOC Directorate meeting held through video link on 21 September 2020 to discuss BHC call for proposal and follow up some decisions taken during last advisory board meeting.

Mr. Shaukat Abbas conducted a detailed interview On September 24, 2020 of Director NIOC Mr. Tariq Khosa on Police order 2002, Reorganizing of Police on functional basis and evidence-based policing. The interview was 90 minutes long.

In the first week of September, August newsletter was released, many worth reading articles are included on the NIOC’s mandated areas and their interface with the Covid-19 pandemic, banned groups and FATF.

NIOC is going to arrange a webinar on "Human Trafficking Challenges and Way Forward" with FIA.

Mr Ammar Jaffri and Kashif Noon NIOC Consultants meet with Mr. Ashraf Zubair Siddiqi ADG Immigration and Mr Amir Faruqi Director Cyber Crime on September 24, 2020 in FIA Headquarter to finalize arrangements for NIOC community outreach strategy and webinars.

NIOC directorate is publishing blogs regularly related to organized crime developments and FATF on the NIOC website. Director NIOC article on "Policing principles" was also published on the website. Mapping Pakistan's compliance with FATF recommendations was also published on the NIOC website.

Mr Iftikhar Ahmad Rao showed his consent for the NIOC network of experts. He is international development practitioner and a consummate ex-civil servant with over 45 years of experience. Now, NIOC network consist of eight experts which will increase gradually.



Mr Tariq Khosa held a meeting on 28 September 2020 virtually with Antonio Sampaio, Senior Analyst at Global Initiative for NIOC's collaboration in a research related study of Karachi.

NIOC issued Corona Crime Watch review-Pakistan on weekly basis.

NIOC sub-committee zoom meeting held on September 30, 2020 to discuss the research methodology, legal framework of CVE related laws that are invoked to curb extremism in Pakistan for BHC project.



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- Minutes of the NIOC 11th Advisory Board Meeting
- Changing militant landscape
- Pakistan, UAE to fight financial crime
- Pak-Afghan action: Drug precursor worth Rs91b seized
- FIA and Facebook agree to collaborate on cyber-crimes against women, children
- Policing principles



FIA officials speaking to members of the Facebook administration at a webinar.



11th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on September 04, 2020



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# October 2020

In October 2020, the twelve advisory board meeting was held on October 02, 2020 in Islamabad. Following were the main points of the meeting:

- The Minutes of the previous [11th] Advisory Board meeting were approved.
- Director NIOC presented the agenda of the meeting. He informed the members that Saroop Ijaz, a reputed lawyer had agreed to be part of the NIOC team as a legal expert. The AB members were very pleased to know about this development and welcomed Saroop Ijaz's inclusion in NIOC team of professionals.
- Director Khosa placed the proposal draft of 'CE Project' to be submitted to the British High Commission on 05 October. After a useful discussion and suggestions, it was recommended that Saroop Ijaz, Amir Rana and Ali Nekokara will review the draft and give their feedback over the weekend and after final scrutiny by Samina Ahmed, the director will disseminate the proposal to the AB members and also submit the same on 05 October to BHC.
- Director NIOC informed the members about a request received from GI-TOC for assistance in a research project about the impact of the pandemic on organized crime, particularly in large cities like Karachi. Director requested Secretary NIOC Amir Rana to facilitate GI-TOC analyst Antonio Samaois based in London. NIOC Lead Researcher Kashif Noon will also assist in this global body's research project.
- NIOC pledged to devote the last quarter of 2020 to come up with a National OC Strategy, series of reports and webinars on OC-related mandates.

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12th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on October 02, 2020



12th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on October 02, 2020



OC National Strategy's next draft would be submitted by NIOC Lead Researcher Kashif Noon in the second week of October.

NIOC Directorate meeting held through video link on 19 October 2020 to follow up some decisions taken during last advisory board meeting.

In the first week of October, September newsletter was released, many worth reading articles are included on the NIOC's mandated areas.

NIOC and FIA will conduct a joint webinar on "Human Smuggling" as a result of a suggestion put forth by Director NIOC and accepted by the DG FIA. Consultants NIOC Kashif Noon and Ammar Jaffri had a productive meeting with senior officers of the FIA. Kashif will prepare a Concept Paper and send it to FIA through Director NIOC.

NIOC directorate is publishing blogs regularly related to organized crime developments and FATF on the NIOC website. One article about anti-money laundering and countering financing of terrorism laws in Pakistan " was also published on the website.

Mr. Kashif Noon was working on developing Case Study on Uzair Baloch, a mafia don of Karachi, that reveals the nexus between crime and politics. He will complete the draft during the last week of October 2020.

NIOC issued Corona Crime Watch review-Pakistan on weekly basis. Secretary NIOC Amir Rana is leading this initiative, which has been valued by international stakeholders who are recipients of the weekly review.

Director NIOC called project team meeting on October 21, 2020 through Zoom to update members about introductory meeting with BHC.

Director NIOC called project team meeting on October 26, 2020 through MS Team to discuss the literature review and analytical framework of research study.



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- Minutes of the NIOC 12th Advisory board meeting
- Rising human trafficking
- Battle brews between govt, Big Tech with new rules
- Multiple attacks
- First 'Narco-Submarine' Caught After Crossing the Atlantic
- Pakistan Will Remain in the FATF Grey List – But That's Not Enough
- Pakistan undergoing two action plans at FATF
- Peshawar blast



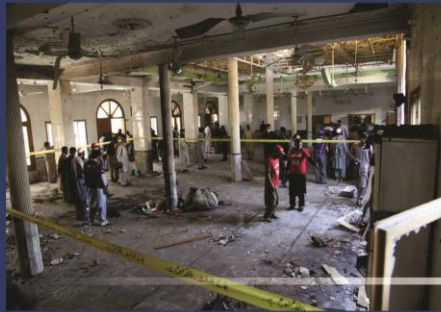
The Asia Internet Coalition which represents some of the mightiest tech giants in the world today has raised its concerns regarding a renewed push by the government to put in place rules for blocking of online content.



Agustin Alvarez was arrested wearing a wetsuit and pink foam shoes.



Narco-subs are described as low-tech, uncomfortable and hazardous, earning them the nickname 'water coffins'.



Rescue workers and police officers examine the site of an explosion at an Islamic seminary in Peshawar, Pakistan, Oct 27, 2020.



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# November 2020

During November 2020, the thirteen advisory board meeting was held on November 06, 2020 in Islamabad. Following were the main points of the meeting:

- The Minutes of the previous [12th] Advisory Board meeting were approved.
- Director NIOC apprised the meeting about the award of a project on counter-extremism (CE) legislation by the British High Commission to NIOC/PIPS. Over the next four months or so, a team finalised by NIOC will undertake a study on “Gaps in CE Legislation and Way Forward.” President NIOC AB Tariq Parvez will lead the project.
- An AB member Fasi Zaka put forward a suggestion to organize podcasts based on interviews of selected professionals related with different areas of organized crimes in Pakistan. The Board appreciated and approved the proposal. Director NIOC would work out further modalities of weekly podcasts during Nov-Dec 2020.
- Kashif Noon will complete a case study of “Crime-Politics Nexus in Karachi” and submit the final draft towards end of November 2020.
- Director NIOC informed about continuing collaboration between NIOC and PIPS. It would be formalised through establishing an MoU between the two organisations.
- Director NIOC discussed various pros and cons of registering NIOC with the SECP as a non-profit NGO or for-profit CSO. Further modalities are being considered and AB would be kept informed.
- NIOC will start working on a project proposal for funding by GI Resilience Fund for 2021. Director NIOC will work with the concerned directorate staff in

developing the proposal that would be put up for AB's approval in the next meeting to be held on Friday (4th of December 2020).

Director NIOC informed the Board members about the status of the report on “National Strategy against Organized Crime in Pakistan.” He shared that NIOC consultant Kashif Noon will draft executive summary and Secretary Amir Rana would get it professionally edited before releasing it to relevant stakeholders for peer review.

In the first week of November, October newsletter was released, many worth reading articles were included on the NIOC’s mandated areas; like human trafficking, Drug trafficking and FATF.

Consultant Kashif Noon was further provided with the input to prepare a concept note for holding a webinar on aspects of human smuggling to be jointly held by NIOC with the FIA. Ammar Jaffri, consultant, would be the organizer for this initiative.

NIOC directorate was publishing blogs regularly related to organized crime developments on the NIOC website. Some articles about drug problems, Witness protection and local financing trends behind Global terrorist threat was also published on the website.

NIOC is issuing organized Crime weekly review on weekly basis, which has been appreciated by international stakeholders who are recipients of the weekly review.

NIOC team conducted the interview of Justice Asif Saeed Khosa, Former Chief Justice of Pakistan on 24 November 2020 through Zoom video to identify the gaps and loopholes exist in the current CE laws.

NIOC team taken the interview of Rai Tahir, Additional IG CTD Punjab, Omar Shahid, DIG CTD Sindh, Dr. Ayaz Khan, Director R&A CTD KP, Aitezaz Gorya, DIG CTD Balochistan, Kamran Adil, AIG ICT on 30 November 2020 through Zoom video to identify the existing gaps of Counter Extremism laws.

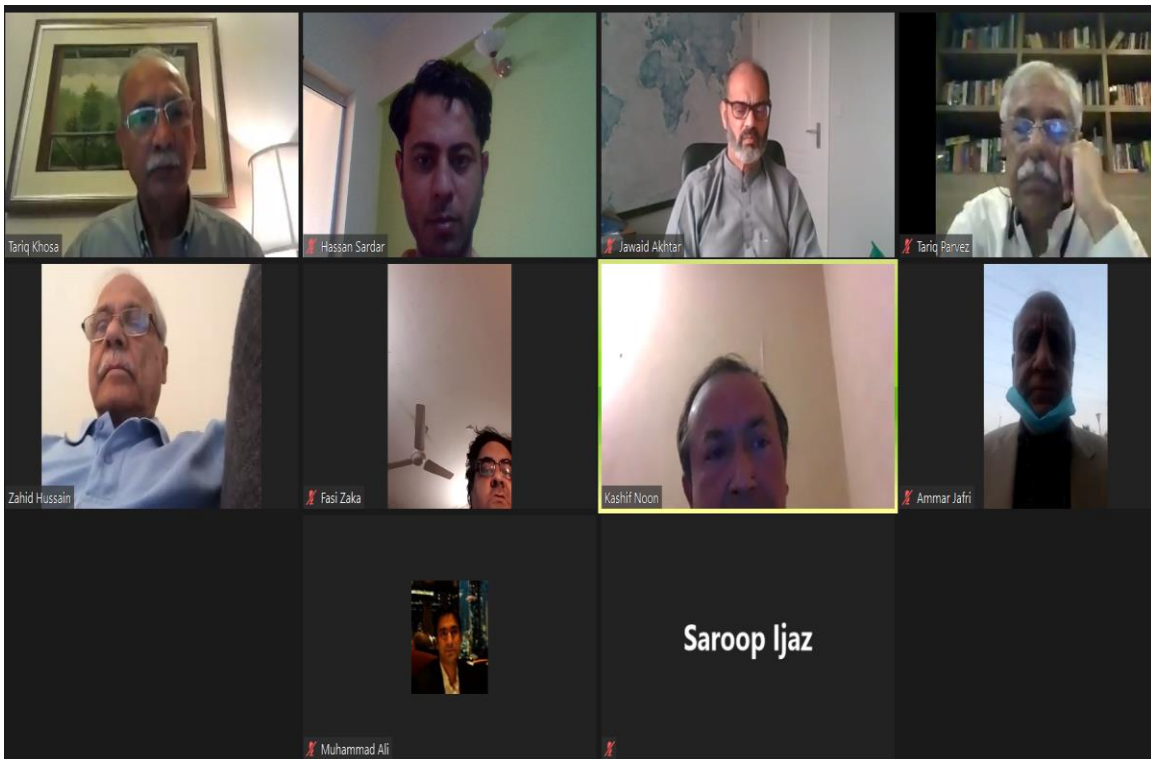
Director NIOC call project team meeting on every Monday through Zoom video link to check the progress and updates on the project.



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13th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on November 06, 2020



13th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on November 06, 2020



Interview with Asif Saeed Khosa, Former Chief Justice of Pakistan held on 24 November 2020 to identify the gaps and loopholes exist in the current CE laws; To watch the full video please click on the following link below

<https://nioc.pk/article/1147>

Tariq Khosa, director NIOC issued a message on December 01, 2020 for NIOC team members on completion of one successful year of NIOC. “It gives me a great pleasure to report that the National Initiative against Organized Crime (NIOC) has successfully completed the first year of its operations since 01 November 2019. I express gratitude to our 6-Member Advisory Board: Tariq Parvez, Zahid Hussain, Samina Ahmed, Zubair Habib, Jawaid Akhtar and Fasi Zaka for invaluable advice and guidance. Our Directorate’s small team of Amir Rana, Ali Nekokara, Hassan Sardar along with Consultants Kashif Noon, Ammar Jaffri and Saroop Ijaz have made a huge difference in promoting the cause for which NIOC was established. We feel proud of undertaking a research study on Gaps in CE Laws, a Project awarded to us recently by the British High Commission in Islamabad. Above all, we are grateful for the support NIOC has got from Vienna-based Global Initiative Resilience Fund. We are committed to making a difference in building community resilience against Organized Crime in Pakistan.”



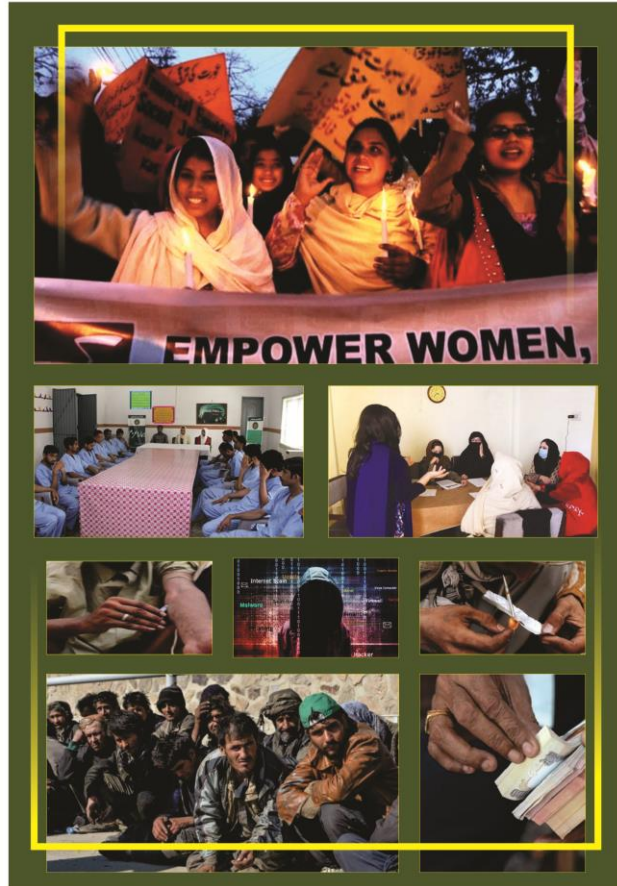
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- Afghanistan, home to the heroin trade, moves into meth
- India most corrupt country in Asia
- Deaths from terrorism fall 59% in five years
- NGOs bear brunt of govt's drive to fulfil FATF requirements



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# December 2020

In the month of December 2020, the 14th advisory board meeting was held on December 04, 2020 in Islamabad. Following were the main points of the board meeting:

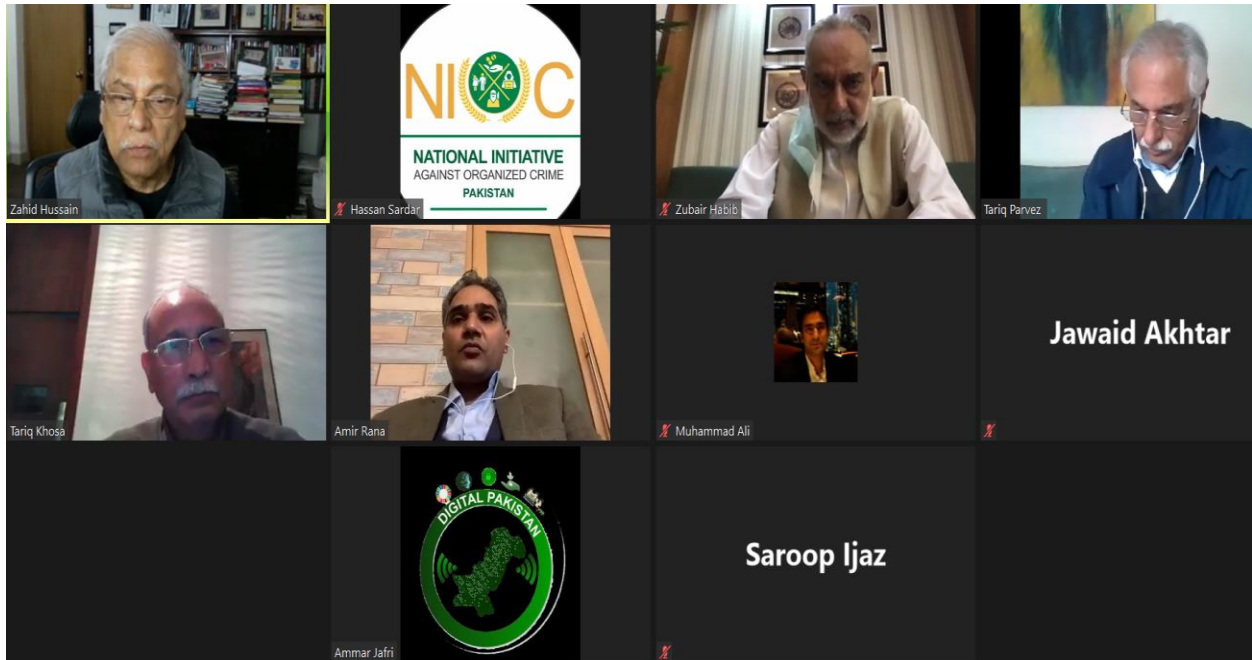
- The Minutes of the previous [13th] Advisory Board meeting were approved.
- Director NIOC, Tariq Khosa gave an overview of the progress of the research study on the BHC Project on Gaps in CE Laws. The project had successfully completed its initial two phases.
- The AB has approved and showed complete satisfaction on the following:
  - NIOC's Proposal for support by GI Resilience Fund for 2021
  - Fasi Zaka would roll out podcasts of various webinars hosted by NIOC during 2020. Eight serials were being finalised.
  - NIOC's collaboration with PIPS would continue in 2021 in accordance with the MoU signed.
- Hassan Sardar, Manager Ops was tasked to come up with NIOC's Annual Report for 2020.

The director NIOC informed to board members that the NIOC's draft National OC Strategy was being peer reviewed by FIA and NACTA. GI-TOC had also recognised the significance of the initiative and agreed to get it reviewed by a few professional international experts. NIOC would launch "National Strategy against Organized Crime in Pakistan" in February 2021.

In the first week of December, November newsletter was released, many worth reading articles were included on the NIOC's mandated areas; like financial crimes, social media rules, drug trafficking and FATF requirements.



NIOC ANNUAL REPORT



14th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on December 04, 2020



14th advisory board meeting of NIOC Pakistan held on December 04, 2020



Interview with Mr. Javed Jabbar, Former Senator held on December 28, 2020 to explore the gaps of Pakistan's Counter Extremism laws; To watch the full video please click on the following link below  
<https://nioc.pk/article/1128>

Some articles about drug trafficking, human trafficking and director's message for team NIOC were published on the NIOC website during the month of December 2020.

NIOC issued four organized Crime weekly review in the month of December. The four issues were shared with international stakeholders who are recipients of the weekly review.

NIOC team conducted the interview of Mr Asif Paracha, DG NACTA and Faisal Raja, Director NACTA on 07 December 2020 through Zoom video to identify all the CE laws in Pakistan penal court and special laws like Anti-terrorism, electronic crime act 2016, National internal security policy and its context towards extremism and terrorism, CVE guidelines and NACTA perspective on that.

NIOC team taken the interview of Allama Javed Ghamdi, Religious Scholar on 07 December 2020 through Zoom video to identify the gaps of Counter Extremism legislation, laws, practices and way forward.

NIOC team conducted the interview of Mulana Tahir Mahmood Ashrafi, PM Special Representative for Religious Harmony on 10 December 2020 through Zoom video to identify the gaps and loopholes exist in the current CE laws.

NIOC team taken the interview of Dr Ejaz Hussain Shah, DG National Police and Mr Ehsan Sadiq, ADIG FIA on 14 December 2020 through Zoom video to identify the existing gaps of Counter Extremism laws.

NIOC team taken the interview of Mr. Javed Jabbar, Former Senator on 28 December 2020 through Zoom video to explore the gaps of Pakistan's Counter Extremism laws.

NIOC team interviewed Mr Basharat Raja, Provincial Minister of Punjab for Law on 29 December 2020 through Zoom video link to identify the legal gaps of Punjab's existing Counter Extremism Strategy and way forward.

**Conclusion:** NIOC will continue its mission during 2021 and make a difference in building community resilience against organized crime in Pakistan.



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## About NIOC

National Initiative against Organized Crime (NIOC) is the first-ever initiative in Pakistan, which was launched in November 2019 in collaboration with the Global Initiative's Resilience Fund. It is led by a group of committed professionals and experts with law enforcement, media and other public service backgrounds. Through developing an empirical evidence-base and conducting hand-on consultations, NIOC aims to build community resilience and influence public policy to combat organized crime including terror financing, drug trafficking, human trafficking and cybercrime. With a complex governance structure having multiple layers of stakeholders, the criminal justice system and law enforcement apparatus require better coordination and capacity building. NIOC tries to identify the gaps and suggest improvements in the system.



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