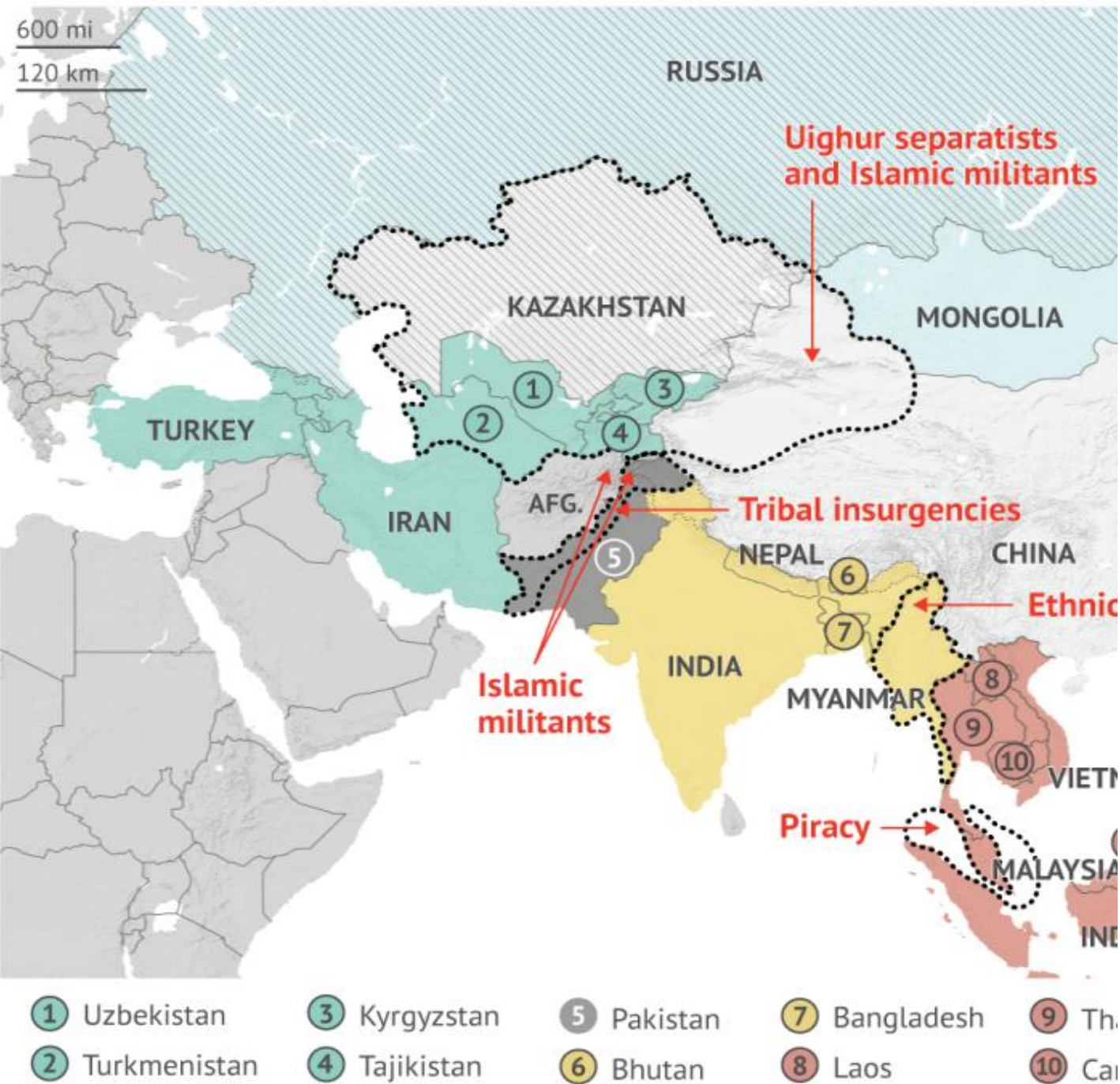




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Why Russia is interested in Connecting Via CPEC

- Russia is interested due to following reason.
- Growing fear of IS in Afghanistan which could hit Central Asia in Russian back yard
- Regional re alignments. Between India and US.
- Growing demand for energy trade diversification
- CPEC is a golden opportunity for Russia to consolidate its position in Asian Energy Market.
- It would help in
- Diversification of routes
- Vital for regional realignment



Geo strategic Location and Security

- Pakistan is significant for Russia in two dimensions.
- First, Security issue. As an outlet to the Central Asian Republics and the Kremlin would never desire instability there due to militant threat.
- Second, the strategic location of Pakistan connecting the Central Asian region with the Middle East and Indian Ocean — thus Russian goods can access the international market very conveniently through Pakistan



- CPEC routes connecting Pakistan and central Asia
- And prospective route for Pakistan and Russia link through Central Asia



October 16, 2015 : Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif witnessing the signing of North-South Gas Pipeline Agreement between Pakistan and Russia at PM House Islamabad. Minister for Petroleum, Shahid Karimullah and Russia's Energy Minister Mr. Alexander V. Novak are signing the agreement

Russia Pakistan energy cooperation

- \$2 billion Deal in 2015
- To deliver gas from southern Sindh to Central Punjab.
- Creation of 1100 km North South Link
- Exploration of possibilities for LNG import from Russia
- Source:
<https://pabausa.org/791/pakistan-russia-ink-agreement-on-2-billion-north-south-gas-pipeline/>

2017 Agreement worth \$8 billion in energy sector

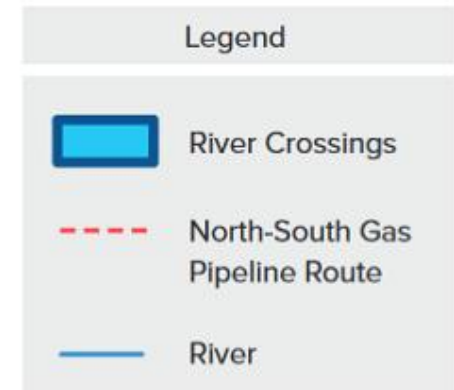
- OGDCL and Gazprom Signed an MOU in 2017 for the exploration and development of Energy Sector.

Source: <http://www.cpecinfo.com/news/the-possibility-of-a-russia-pakistan-economic-corridor/NTIxMA>

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- 300 km pipeline from Karachi to Nawab shah
- Connect the north South pipeline already underway since 2015.
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North South Pipeline



Proposed pipelines in South Asia

TURKMENISTAN

AFGHANISTAN

TAPI pipeline

North-South pipeline

Islamabad

Lahore

Fazilka

IRAN

PAKISTAN

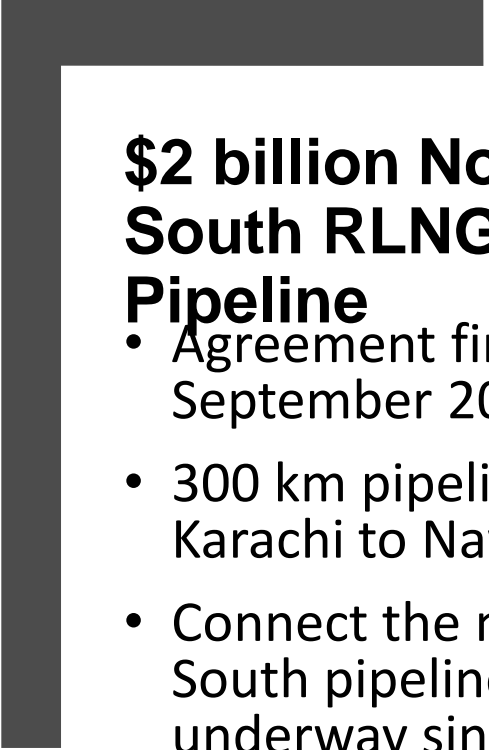
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INDIA

Arabian Sea

\$10 billion-dollar offshore gas pipeline

- MOU is signed in September 2018 for an offshore gas pipeline from Iran to Pakistan and India.
- Similar MOUs are to be signed with India and Iran.
- Project was frozen in 2013 due to sanctions against Iran and then Russia and Iran revived it in 2017.
- Feasibility report is yet to be prepared.
- Source:
<https://en.dailypakistan.com.pk/headline/pakistan-russia-set-to-sign-10-billion-gas-pipeline-deal-in-moscow/>



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