



Yasir Masood, an Islamabad-based political analyst, told the Global Times on Tuesday that while many countries are shying away from helping each other due to the outbreak of COVID-19, cooperation between China and Pakistan at the time of uncertainties simply means, "a friend in need is a friend indeed."

Masood said that on the economic front, this visit holds a great importance especially when the world is under financial siege due to fears of COVID-19, both China and Pakistan are defining and deciding soaring economic ties for a continued cooperation.

This visit is setting to revive economic confidence between Beijing and Islamabad and both are committed to advancing the construction of CPEC which is a linchpin of the Belt and Road Initiative, Masood said.

He said that CPEC has already been viewed as a sole economic program which can fix Pakistan's economic and financial ills for good.