



PAKISTAN'S ENERGY TRANSITION

Building a Clean, Resilient
and Sustainable Future



About SDPI

SDPI was founded in August 1992 on the recommendation of the Pakistan National Conservation Strategy (NCS), also called Pakistan's Agenda 21. The NCS placed Pakistan's socio-economic development within the context of a national environmental plan. This highly acclaimed document, approved by the Federal Cabinet in March 1992, outlined the need for an independent non-profit organization to serve as a source of expertise for policy analysis and development, policy intervention, and policy and program advisory services. SDPI is registered under the Societies Registration Act, XXI of 1860.

Mission

To catalyse the transition towards sustainable development, defined as the enhancement of peace, social justice and well-being, within and across generations.

Vision

To be a center of excellence on sustainable development policy research, capacity development and advocacy in Pakistan.

About the Newsletter

To keep researchers, policymakers, and other stakeholders informed about emerging developments at the national, regional, and international levels, SDPI publishes a bi-monthly e-newsletter on "Pakistan's Energy Transition."

The newsletter compiles and curates relevant reference material, including news reports, analytical commentaries, and Op-Eds published in leading national and international newspapers, to support informed discourse on energy transition policies, trends, and challenges.

Media Sources Covered

The newsletter draws upon reporting, analysis, and opinion pieces published in leading national and international media outlets, including:

Dawn

The News

The Express Tribune

The Nation

Business Recorder

Daily Times

Pakistan Observer

Pakistan Today

Urdu Point

China Daily

Thematic Focus Areas

This e-newsletter covers emerging developments, policy trends, market dynamics, and research insights related to Pakistan's energy transition and sustainable development agenda, with a particular focus on:

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Editor's Note:

Pakistan's energy transition has emerged as a strategic national priority at the intersection of energy security, climate resilience, economic competitiveness, and sustainable development. As the country confronts rising energy demand, increasing climate vulnerabilities, dependence on imported fossil fuels, and fiscal pressures, the shift towards affordable, reliable, and clean energy systems is no longer optional — it is essential for long-term socioeconomic stability and growth.

In recent years, Pakistan has taken important policy and institutional steps to accelerate this transition, including renewable energy expansion targets, commitments under the Paris Agreement, electric mobility initiatives, and growing investments in solar, wind, hydropower, and green infrastructure. At the same time, the global momentum towards decarbonisation, green industrialisation, and climate finance presents new opportunities for Pakistan to link its development trajectory with emerging low-carbon economic models.

However, translating policy ambitions into effective implementation remains a critical challenge. A successful and inclusive energy transition requires coherent governance frameworks, long-term policy consistency, technological innovation, investment facilitation, and evidence-based decision-making. It also necessitates stronger coordination among government institutions, academia, industry, financial actors, and civil society to ensure that the transition is equitable, economically viable, and socially responsive.

In this context, the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), through its "**Clean Energy Transition**" programme and associated research and policy initiatives, seeks to contribute to informed dialogue, policy analysis, and stakeholder engagement on Pakistan's evolving energy landscape. By generating research-based evidence and fostering multi-stakeholder collaboration, SDPI aims to support policy processes that advance sustainable energy systems, green economic transformation, and the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 7 (Affordable and Clean Energy), while contributing to broader climate and development objectives.

Pakistan's Energy Transition

Energy Governance

Directorate General of Petroleum Concessions flags FHL document misuse

Source: [Kalbe Ali](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-21

ISLAMABAD: The Directorate General of Petroleum Concessions (DGPC) has raised serious concerns over the alleged misuse of confidential documents by Frontier Holdings Ltd (FHL), intensifying scrutiny of the company amid an ongoing ownership dispute. In a recent letter, the DGPC of the Ministry of Energy has asked FHL to clarify the company's position regarding the alleged unlawful procurem..... [more >>](#)

Ogra to audit OMCs over fake price differential claims

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD - Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) will hire an independent auditor to verify oil marketing companies' price differential claims (PDCs) after finding several companies submitted false claims. This was revealed by an OGRA official while briefing Senate Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat regarding price differential claims (PDCs) payable to OMCs. Senate Standing Comm..... [more >>](#)

Panel slams OGDCL for overcharging LPG consumers

Source: [Wasim Iqbal](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

ISLAMABAD: A parliamentary committee expressed its displeasure at Oil and Gas Development Company (OGDCL) for charging LPG consumers more than recommended by Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) in spite of the matter being sub judice. The Public Accounts Committee (PAC)'s sub-committee on Ministry of Energy (OGDCL & PPL) was chaired by Convener Committee Syed Naveed Qamar. Dur..... [more >>](#)

Paper oil

Source: [Khurram Husain](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

An interesting thing is happening in the oil markets that has not received enough media attention. Given the prolonged closure of the Strait of Hormuz and the severe supply-side crisis that has hit global oil markets, there should by now have been a spiralling rise in the price of oil. But instead, we see it rise slightly above \$100 and then drop below. Sometimes this follows the headlines. But ov..... [more >>](#)

Iran war exposes cost of Asia's fossil fuel reliance

Source: [Reuters](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-17

DHAKA: As a second major energy shock in four years roils global markets, the contrasting experiences of Pakistan and Bangladesh are underscoring the severe costs for emerging market countries that rely on fuel imports and making a powerful case for a shift toward cleaner power sources. After South Asian countries were rocked by widespread electricity outages and inflation in 2022 due to soarin..... [more >>](#)

Oil falls, stocks mixed as traders weigh outlook after Trump extends truce

Source: [AFP](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-22

With the two-week truce in its final hours, the US president said he would push the deadline back indefinitely following a request from mediator Pakistan and stressing the need to give Tehran's "fractured" leadership time to form a proposal. He had previously indicated he would not extend the truce and warned he would resume bombing the Islamic republic when it expired. "I..... [more >>](#)

Routes of Resilience

Source: [Editorial, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-22

With war in the Middle East dragging on, Pakistan cannot assume that its energy lifelines will remain secure. Even where tensions ease temporarily, the underlying risks persist. Supply disruptions, price volatility and chokepoint vulnerabilities have all been exposed in recent weeks. Islamabad must respond with urgency, not optimism, by securing additional resources and diversifying trade routes b..... [more >>](#)

Global markets cautious as Trump confirms Iran talks; oil remains elevated

Source: [Khalid Mustafa, The News, International](#), 2026-04-23

ISLAMABAD: Global financial markets traded in a volatile but broadly resilient range on Wednesday after U.S. President Donald Trump confirmed that direct talks with Iran are expected to take place next Friday. The announcement reinforced expectations of diplomatic engagement in the Middle East, while leaving geopolitical risks firmly in place. The extension of a ceasefire added to hopes of de-esca..... [more >>](#)

Strait of Hormuz crisis: 13m barrels per day drop in global energy supply; world market disrupted

Source: [Rafiq Mangat, The News, International](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD: A severe disruption in the Strait of Hormuz has placed unprecedented pressure on the global energy and trade system, significantly affecting oil and liquefied natural gas (LNG) flows through one of the world's most critical maritime chokepoints. According to reports cited by the Atlantic Council, 'Oil and Gas Journal', the IMF, Qatar News Agency and other internationa..... [more >>](#)

It's all about the oil, stupid

Source: [Dr Raza Muhammad, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-25

The phrase headlined here was used by Noam Chomsky in his article of July 8, 2008, published in Khaleej Times, later by the leaders and writers and recently by anchors like Mehdi Hassan. Chomsky opined that the 2003 invasion of Iraq was inspired by the US desire to control its vast oil reserves and establish a permanent military presence there. 'The Declaration of Principles' signed by Pr..... [more >>](#)

US-Iran stand-off: conflicting perspectives Global markets react as US-Iran tensions disrupt energy flows

Source: [Inam Ul Haque, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

The impasse in the second round of peace talks stems from Iran exhibiting intransigence and the US considering these parleys as a waste of time, for Iran not conceding on the core demand of halting uranium enrichment. The US proposals envisage a concurrent two-stage process, including ending the war first, and simultaneously addressing more contentious issues, like Iran's nuclear programme. T..... [more >>](#)

UAE's Opec exit

Source: [Editorial, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

THE UAE's exit from Opec is another sign of the major geopolitical shifts that are reshaping the global order. One of the organisation's top producers, the UAE's decision seems largely influenced by the politics of oil. Yet geopolitical calculations, and intra-Gulf rivalries, specifically with Saudi Arabia, are also at play here. As per reports, the Emiratis were unhappy with the [more >>](#)

PM Shehbaz extends fuel subsidy for transport sector by one month

Source: [Khalid Mehmood, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday extended the fuel subsidy for motorcyclists, public transport and goods transport by another month as he announced the continuation of measures aimed at providing relief to the public amid the prevailing economic situation. According to a statement issued by the Prime Minister's Office, the premier directed the relevant authorities to ensure that [more >>](#)

Textile exporters call for urgent power sector reforms

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-20

FAISALABAD: Patron-in-Chief of the Pakistan Textile Exporters Association, Khurram Mukhtar, has urged the government to introduce urgent and comprehensive reforms in the power sector, stating that industries should be allowed to focus on production instead of managing energy challenges. He said that despite surplus power generation capacity in the country, underutilisation of resources is leading..... [more >>](#)

UK HC presses govt on Halmore issue

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-17

ISLAMABAD: The High Commission of the United Kingdom has reportedly raised the issue of M/s Halmore Power Company, which is currently under litigation with the government of Pakistan, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. The matter involving UK-linked companies came under discussion during a meeting between Federal Minister for Power Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari and Sam Waldock, D..... [more >>](#)

Ogra's nod sought for further hike in average prescribed gas tariff from July 1

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

ISLAMABAD - The state-owned Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) and Sui Southern Gas Company Limited (SSGC) have sought the OGRA's nod for upto Rs5306/MMBTU increase in average prescribed gas tariff from July 1st, 2026. In two separate petitions submitted to Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) for Estimated Revenue Requirements/Prescribed Prices for FY2026-27, SNGPL and SSGC have [more >>](#)

OGDC starts Pakistan's highest-ever single-well oil and gas production

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

ISLAMABAD - Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDC), Pakistan's largest exploration and production company, has achieved a historic milestone with the highest-ever oil and gas discovery from a single well in Pakistan's history at its Baragzai X-01 (Slant) exploratory well in the Nashpa Block, located in Kohat district of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. The company formally inaugurated the [more >>](#)

KP Governor directs to fill vacant posts in power distribution companies

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

Peshawar - Governor Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Faisal Karim Kundi on Wednesday stressed the need for immediate filling of vacant posts in power distribution companies to improve service delivery and operational efficiency. He was talking to Chief Executive Officer Tribal Electric Supply Company (TESCO), Tahir Jamal, who called on him at Governor House and briefed him in detail about departmental performa..... [more >>](#)

Energy Permanence

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

The government may have a technical explanation for the latest round of load management. Lower water releases, reduced hydropower generation, and a widening supply gap are all real constraints. But the public does not experience policy in technical terms. It experiences it in hours without electricity, in suffocating heat, and in the quiet frustration of disrupted routines. For most Pakistanis, t..... [more >>](#)

Sacred business! Pakistani Americans are mostly in the gas station business, which we call petrol pumps in Pakistan

Source: [Imran Jan](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

I left Pakistan for America many years ago because I did not want to always pray in order to be able to pay my fee for various things. Little did I know that that little phrase would reverse itself in America where I would be required to pay a fee so I can pray. One of the most visible brands in America is the famous retail store called Walmart. It always tells its customers "Save Money, Liv..... [more >>](#)

K-P faces extended power cuts as demand outstrips supply: PESCO

Source: [Ahtesham Khan](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

PESHAWAR: The Peshawar Electric Supply Company (PESCO) on Thursday said parts of Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa (K-P) were facing additional electricity outages due to a significant supply-demand gap, with three to four hours of load management being imposed beyond the schedule. According to a spokesperson, "Forced load management is being implemented in the PESCO region due to a generation shortfall..... [more >>](#)

Govt apologises for excessive 'loadshedding'

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

ISLAMABAD: The government on Wednesday apologised to power consumers for higher-than-promised "load management" arising from lower water availability for power generation. In a statement, the Power Division said it was "apologising for the additional load management necessitated by reduced hydropower availability". A spokesperson for the Power Division also urged consumer..... [more >>](#)

IMF advises Islamabad to scrap fuel subsidies

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

ISLAMABAD: The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has advised the gradual elimination of burdensome fuel subsidies, the tackling of contingent liabilities, and the expansion of the tax base to ensure credible medium-term fiscal sustainability. In its twice-a-year Fiscal Monitor 2026, the fund projects Pakistan's fiscal deficit to remain stable at around 3.2 per cent of GDP and primary surp..... [more >>](#)

Gas firms seek steep increases

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

ISLAMABAD: Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Ltd (SNGPL) and Sui Southern Gas Company Ltd (SSGCL) have sought about 21 and 121 per cent increases in the prescribed gas prices, respectively, to meet their revenue requirements for 2026-27. The SSGCL has also sought previous years' "unrecovered shortfalls" of over Rs545 billion, which makes its accumulated demand for an increase in the pre..... [more >>](#)

Opposition lashes out at govt for steep fuel price hike, power outages

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

ISLAMABAD: Opposition leaders on Wednesday took a swipe at the government over electricity load management, surge in fuel prices and worsening economic conditions. Speaking at a press conference, former governor Mohammad Zubair said petrol prices have reached extremely high levels over the past three weeks. He emphasised that the opposition has raised a strong voice against the increase. He [more >>](#)

Pakistan weighs spot LNG as Iran war hits supply

Source: [Reuters](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-16

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan is considering buying liquefied natural gas (LNG) on the spot market to offset supply disruptions caused by the Iran war but would favour government-to-government deals to avoid having to pay steep premiums, Petroleum Minister Ali Pervaiz Malik said. Qatar's force majeure has forced Pakistan to make costly spot purchases or find alternative fuels ahead of summer demand. [more >>](#)

OGDC unveils record 'Mega Well' as Baragzai X-01 adds 10pc to oil output

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-16

ISLAMABAD: Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDC) on Wednesday launched commercial production from its Baragzai X-01 (Slant) well, marking the highest-ever oil and gas output from a single well in Pakistan's history

and delivering a major boost to domestic energy supply. The well, located in Kohat within the Nashpa Block, is expected to generate over \$200 million in annual revenue w..... [more >>](#)

LNG disruption, lower hydel output to worsen power outages, analysts warn

Source: [Tanveer Malik](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-16

KARACHI: A fresh wave of power outages has hit consumers across Pakistan, with power sector analysts warning the situation could deteriorate further in the coming weeks. The Power Division estimated national electricity demand at 18,000MW, with a shortfall of around 4,500MW a day earlier. Analysts linked the shortages to disruptions in liquefied natural gas (LNG) supplies following the closure o..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's most dangerous division

Source: [Dr Farrukh Saleem](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-16

Here's the hard truth: Pakistan's Power Division has the power to bankrupt the economy. Yes, the Power Division has formally announced more than two hours of daily loadshedding. Lo and behold, Pakistan does not have a power shortage, Pakistan has a power management failure. Pakistan has an installed capacity of around 45,000 MW. Peak demand rarely crosses 25,000-28,000MW. That is a [more >>](#)

Country grappling with massive power shortfall

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan is grappling with a widening electricity shortfall of around 4,500 megawatts (MW), largely driven by a sharp drop in hydropower generation, forcing authorities to extend load management to as much as five hours during peak evening hours in several areas. According to the Power Division, the gap between demand and supply intensified on Wednesday when electricity demand surg..... [more >>](#)

Lights out, again!

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

It was always going to unravel. The moment the war disrupted LNG flows and Qatar invoked force majeure, Pakistan's fragile power equilibrium snapped back to a familiar, uncomfortable default: load shedding, and plenty of it. For a brief moment, there was misplaced optimism. No LNG? No problem. Just fall back on domestic gas, crank up the system, and keep the lights on. A neat theory. Re..... [more >>](#)

Oil - the risk premium isn't gone

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

Oil prices have come off the extreme highs seen during the early phase of the Iran-US conflict, but it would be a mistake to read this as a return to normal. The market has stepped back from panic, not from risk. What has changed is sentiment. What has not fully changed is the underlying supply picture. At the peak of the crisis in early March, Brent briefly crossed \$120 per barrel as fears g..... [more >>](#)

Global oil shock, local fuel crisis

Source: [Nadia Farooq](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

The recent escalation of the Iran conflict has triggered a sharp supply shock in global oil markets, with immediate consequences for fuel-importing economies. Oil prices have risen significantly within a short period. Brent crude increased from around USD 72 per barrel in late February 2026 to above USD 110 by early April, while WTI followed a similar trend. This surge reflects heightened risks ar..... [more >>](#)

Furnace oil use ramped up to manage power shortage: LeghariSource: [Reuters](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-17

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan is running its furnace oil-based power generation to full capacity and delaying nuclear plant maintenance, as it scrambles to manage electricity shortages caused by disruptions to liquefied natural gas (LNG) supplies amid the Iran war, the power minister said on Thursday. The supply crunch comes as Qatar's force majeure stemming from the Iran war have disrupted LNG imp..... [more >>](#)

PSO data shows decline in fuel consumption after sales' regulationSource: [Kashif Abbasi](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-17

ISLAMABAD: National fuel consumption has seen a sharp decline in the first half of April 2026 compared to the previous year, as the government rolls out a stringent digital monitoring regime across all petrol pumps to regulate and minimise fuel usage. Official data of Pakistan State Oil (PSO) reveals a significant year-on-year drop in sales in petrol pumps for the first 15 days of April -- amid s..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan faces extensive blackouts as gas shortfall worsens: reportSource: [News Desk](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-17

Pakistan is expecting a streak of power outages as the war in the Middle East chokes its supplies of liquefied natural gas, just as it prepares to host the next round of peace talks between Iran and the US, according to Bloomberg. The country's power shortfall touched 4,500 megawatts on Wednesday evening, a time when demand typically peaks, according to the power ministry. That's abou..... [more >>](#)

Govt admits up to seven hours of power outagesSource: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-17

ISLAMABAD: Power Minister Awais Leghari on Thursday confirmed six to seven hours of load management — almost three times higher than the government's public commitment — citing a sudden surge in demand, non-availability of imported gas and lower water discharges for irrigation. Speaking at a news conference, the minister said power shortfalls had been caused by disruptions to [more >>](#)

Energy minister apologises for countrywide power loadshedding due to gas supply disruptionsSource: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-17

ISLAMABAD - Federal Minister for Energy (Power Division) Sardar Awais Ahmed Khan Leghari on Thursday said that a significant decline in Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) based and hydel power generation, triggered by the prevailing situation in the Gulf region, had led to a shortfall of around 3,400 megawatts, resulting in load management during peak hours. Addressing a press conference here, the minister..... [more >>](#)

Minister speaks of supply constraints; Load-shedding to stay till LNG flows resumeSource: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-17

ISLAMABAD: Minister for Power Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari said on Thursday that power load-shedding during peak hours will continue until the supply of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) is restored, which is currently unavailable due to a force majeure declared by Qatar. Addressing a press conference on the reasons behind nationwide load-shedding, the minister clarified that the situation does not a..... [more >>](#)

Nepa approves five-year DIPs for three DiscosSource: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-17

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepa) has approved five-year (2025–2029) Distribution Investment Plans (DIPs) worth Rs 77.443 billion for three power distribution companies — Gujranwala Electric Power Company (Gepco), Quetta Electric Supply Company (Qesco) and Tribal Areas Electric Supply Company (Tesco) — against their cumulative demand of Rs 127 bi..... [more >>](#)

Oil falls 9pc on Strait of Hormuz news

Source: [Reuters](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

HOUSTON: Oil prices settled down by around 9 percent on Friday after Iran said passage for all commercial vessels through the Strait of Hormuz was open for the remaining ceasefire period and US President Donald Trump said Iran has agreed to never close the strait again. Brent crude futures settled down USD9.01, or 9.07 percent, to USD90.38 a barrel, after falling to a session low of \$86.09. U..... [more >>](#)

Prices of diesel reduced, petrol's left unchanged

Source: [Zulfiqar Ahmad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Friday announced a Rs32.12 per litre reduction in the price of diesel, lowering it from Rs385.54 to Rs353.43, in a move aimed at providing economic relief to the masses. In a statement from Antalya, Turkiye, where he is on an official visit, PM Sharif said the government would ensure the diesel price reduction is passed on to the people as swiftly a..... [more >>](#)

Higher dam releases ease power system pressure

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

ISLAMABAD: A significant increase in water releases from the country's dams has led to a sharp rise in hydropower generation, by 127 per cent, providing much-needed relief to the power system and reducing the duration of load management across various parts of the country. According to Power Division spokesperson, water outflows surged to 30,000 cusecs last night, a substantial jump from..... [more >>](#)

Power consumers may get Rs1.14/unit relief

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

ISLAMABAD: Power consumers, who bear the brunt of Fuel Charges Adjustment (FCA) are likely to get a relief of around Rs1.14 per unit in their electricity bills for March 2026, to be charged in May, as the Central Power Purchasing Agency-Guaranteed (CPPA-G) has sought a relatively lower positive Fuel Charges Adjustment (FCA) of Rs0.2660 per unit. The anticipated relief comes primarily due to a..... [more >>](#)

PBF asks why power load-shedding on the rise despite capacity expansion

Source: [N H Zuberi](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

KARACHI: Pakistan Business Forum (PBF) has expressed deep concern over the prolonged electricity outages across the country, despite Pakistan's total installed power generation capacity reaching 46,605 MW during FY 2024–25. Drawing on figures from the Pakistan Economic Survey 2024–25, PBF noted that installed capacity has increased from 45,888 MW in the corresponding period [more >>](#)

Poor governance behind power crisis: Gohar

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

LAHORE: Former caretaker commerce minister and Economic Policy and Business Development think tank Chairman Dr Gohar Ejaz has said Pakistan's persistent power crisis is not due to lack of installed capacity but stems from deep-rooted governance and management failures in the energy sector. In a post on X (formerly Twitter), Ejaz noted that despite an installed capacity of 46,605 megawat..... [more >>](#)

Fossil Fuel Trap

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

The recent admission by the government regarding power outages of up to seven hours, coupled with the stark realisation that Asia's fossil fuel reliance has left the region vulnerable to the shocks of the Iran war, reveals a systemic failure in energy planning. The juxtaposition of these two issues is not coincidental; it is a direct result of a strategy that prioritises short-term patches o..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan cuts jet fuel, diesel prices after global oil dip

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

Pakistan on Saturday reduced the prices of jet fuel and light diesel oil following a decline in global crude oil rates after Iran announced the full reopening of the Strait of Hormuz. According to official notifications, the price of light diesel oil has been reduced by Rs70.04 per litre, bringing the new rate to Rs299.32 per litre. Jet fuel prices were also cut by Rs23.59 per litre, with aviat..... [more >>](#)

Power crisis rooted in governance failures, not capacity shortage: Gohar Ejaz

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

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Discos seek Rs0.26 per unit FCA hike for March

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

ISLAMABAD - Ex-WAPDA distribution companies (XWDiscos) have sought approval from the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) to increase electricity tariffs by Rs0.2660 per unit under the Fuel Charges Adjustment (FCA) for March. A petition filed by the Central Power Purchasing Agency (CPPA-G) with NEPRA, on behalf of Discos, said that consumers were billed at a reference fuel cost [more >>](#)

Power outages reduced as hydropower surges

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-18

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan sharply reduced power outages overnight after a surge in hydropower generation, driven by a significant increase in water releases from dams, the Power Division said Friday, offering temporary relief to consumers amid an ongoing energy shortfall. Hydropower output jumped by 2,300 megawatts, rising from 1,800 MW to 4,100 MW, after water discharge was ramped up to 30,000 cusecs,..... [more >>](#)

Ogra seeks nod for audit-based system to pay Rs128bn PDCs to OMCs

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-18

ISLAMABAD: The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) has sought formal approval from the Ministry of Energy (Petroleum Division) for an audit-driven mechanism to disburse Rs128 billion in Price Differential Claims (PDCs) to oil marketing companies (OMCs), introducing a multi-layered verification system aimed at improving transparency and preventing overpayments in the downstream petroleum sector..... [more >>](#)

Ten questions for Power Division

Source: [Dr Farrukh Saleem](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-18

1. If Pakistan has more than 45,000 MW installed capacity, why does loadshedding begin when demand crosses 16,500-18,000MW? 2. With 4,000 MW coal capacity (Sahiwal, Port Qasim, Hub), what is the current utilisation rate in those plants? 3. Before the war, how much of our generation was running on LNG? 4. Is the Matiari-Lahore 4,000MW HVDC line operating at 100 per cent utilisation? 5. How much..... [more >>](#)

Power outages

Source: [Editorial](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

AS summer approaches, households and industries across the country are again facing prolonged power outages as night-time electricity demand, driven by cooling needs, far exceeds the available supply. To contain the power shortages, the government is running its costly furnace oil-based power plants at full capacity and delaying maintenance of its nuclear facilities. The Middle East crisis and [more >>](#)

SCCI says CNG stations shutdown harmful to business activity

Source: [Bureau Report, Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-18

PESHAWAR: Sarhad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SCCI) on Friday expressed deep concern over the closure of CNG stations in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, terming the move unconstitutional and harmful to business activity and urged the provincial government to take immediate steps to avert a crisis in the sector. The chamber also strongly opposed a new provincial policy requiring Haj and Umrah operators t..... [more >>](#)

Energy crisis unplugged

Source: [Atif Mehmood, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-19

If you were to ask people across the country what they are frustrated with most, the answer is quite easy and, most importantly, unanimous: electricity. Not only are they frustrated with the load-shedding they are going through these days, but they are also frustrated with the bills. It is a strange sort of unfairness, but one must understand that this is not how it is supposed to be. There are a..... [more >>](#)

Oil regulator seeks answers to use of confidential documents

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-19

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's petroleum regulator has directed an oil and gas exploration company to clarify what it says is the misuse of confidential documents amid an ongoing ownership dispute and regulatory action linked to Spud Energy. According to a letter available with The Express Tribune, the Ministry of Energy (Petroleum Division), through the Directorate General of Petroleum Concessions (..... [more >>](#)

PEDO chief urges faster work on 69MW Lawi Hydropower project

Source: [Our Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-19

Peshawar - Chief Executive Officer of the Pakhtunkhwa Energy Development Organisation (PEDO), Engineer Anwarul Haq, visited the under-construction 69MW Lawi Hydropower Project in Chitral, directing officials to accelerate progress while ensuring robust flood mitigation measures. Accompanied by senior officials, including the Member Hydropower, Chief Engineer (Development), Director (Monitoring an..... [more >>](#)

Power Division seeks 4 LNG cargoes to avert load-shedding

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-20

Islamabad - The Power Division has sought four Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) cargoes to meet rising electricity demand, warning that failure to secure supplies could lead to increased load-shedding and higher power generation costs. According to official sources, the Power Division has written to the Petroleum Division, requesting urgent arrangements for LNG cargoes, preferably from Qatar, as tempe..... [more >>](#)

Sahiwal power plant playing vital role in addressing power shortages

Source: [News Wire, The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-20

ISLAMABAD - The China-supported Sahiwal Coal-Fired Power Plant has emerged as a cornerstone of Pakistan's energy and economic landscape, combining advanced Chinese technology with significant socio-economic benefits. Operated by Huaneng Shandong Ruyi, the 1,320-megawatt facility is among the most prominent projects under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) framework, playing a vital..... [more >>](#)

Govt signs IFC deal to roll out smart metres for 10 million power consumers

Source: [Web Desk, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-20

The federal government has formally approached Punjab Chief Secretary Zahid Zaman, requesting a detailed update on the province's progress under the "URAAAN Pakistan" programme. In its communication, the centre has asked for a thorough report outlining achievements against the targets assigned to provinces. Special emphasis has been placed on key sectors such as exports, energy..... [more >>](#)

Peacemaking's economic payback

Source: [AAH Soomro](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-20

KARACHI: Pakistan's genuine efforts and role as a global peacemaker are finally being taken seriously. Diplomacy is a two-way street, and Pakistan is indeed a prime beneficiary of peace amid the US-Israeli war on Iran. This is not just because high international oil prices severely upend our fragile macroeconomic recovery and increase the odds of higher inflation, higher interest rates and r..... [more >>](#)

FIA starts probe into oil hoarding scam on PM's orders

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-20

ISLAMABAD: The government has initiated an investigation into the alleged hoarding of petroleum products in the wake of the ongoing regional conflict, with Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif directing the Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) to probe certain oil marketing companies (OMCs) and some officials of the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA). Initial findings suggest the possibility of delib..... [more >>](#)

Checkmate by energy markets

Source: [Mashhood Urfi](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-20

Last Friday, after 5pm, over my office's conference table that had seen too many policy debates and too little agreement, my colleague and I chose sides. Let's name her Sara for now. She leaned forward, with that calm, calculated look and stated her objective out loud. She wanted to bankrupt me through the energy sector; no hesitation. Just collapse the system through its weakest joint..... [more >>](#)

Power Division partners with IFC to roll out 10m smart metres across Pakistan

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-21

ISLAMABAD -The Ministry of Energy (Power Division) has signed a Transaction Advisory Services Agreement (TASA) with the International Finance Corporation (IFC), a member of the World Bank Group, official statement said. Under this agreement, the IFC will act as transaction advisor and conduct a comprehensive techno-commercial assessment for a service-provider model or public-private partnership [more >>](#)

Faulty poles, hanging wires threaten lives in Mailsi

Source: [Sarfaraz Akram](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-21

MAILSI: A prolonged delay in issuing tenders for contractors in the MEPCO Division Mailsi has left the electricity transmission system in a precarious state, raising fears of potential accidents and prolonged disruption for consumers. No contractor has been appointed for the past six months due to administrative lapses in MEPCO's Vehari Operation Circle. As a result, the installation of new..... [more >>](#)

Azerbaijan says it is ready to supply LNG to Pakistan

Source: [Reuters](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-21

Azerbaijan's state energy company SOCAR is ready to supply liquefied natural gas to Pakistan as soon as it receives a request from Islamabad, the company told Reuters on Tuesday, as Pakistan seeks spot cargoes to ease a growing energy shortfall. SOCAR said a framework agreement signed in 2025 between SOCAR Trading and Pakistan LNG allows the Pakistani buyer to purcha..... [more >>](#)

Record premium paid on oil imports

Source: [Zafar Bhutta](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-21

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan State Oil (PSO) has imported petroleum products at hefty premiums to meet the country's needs, but this high cost will put an additional burden on oil consumers, who are already reeling from exorbitant fuel prices. Amid US-Israel and Iran war, which has choked the Strait of Hormuz – a critical waterway for oil shipments, Pakistan has paid the highest-ever premium on..... [more >>](#)

Smart metering

Source: [Editorial, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-21

A costly overhaul of Pakistan's creaking power distribution system is now underway, with the government betting heavily on smart metering as a cure for chronic inefficiencies. The agreement between the Power Division and the International Finance Corporation to roll out around 10 million smart metres marks one of the most ambitious attempts yet to digitise electricity consumption and billing. [more >>](#)

Subsidy burden, oil surge will weigh on economic growth

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-21

ISLAMABAD: The government has said that Pakistan's economic growth will remain under pressure during the current and next fiscal years, owing to not only an almost 20 per cent cut in the development budget for the sake of fuel subsidies, but also the lagged inflationary impacts of global supply chain disruptions following US-Israel war on Iran. "This [cut in development budget] will..... [more >>](#)

IFC engaged for smart meter rollout

Source: [Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-21

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan on Monday engaged the International Finance Corporation (IFC) of the World Bank as a transaction adviser to attract private investors for the installation of 10 million smart meters across all electricity distribution companies (Discos), this large-scale roll out was announced in October 2025. The Power Division said it had signed a Transaction Advisory Services Agreement (TASA..... [more >>](#)

Kohistan hydropower station resumes generation after two months

Source: [Our Correspondent, Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-21

MANSEHRA: Electricity generation from the Dubair Khawar hydropower station has resumed after remaining suspended for over two months because of a sit-in staged by residents demanding the reconstruction of a flood-hit road. "We have strengthened the security of the station," Lower Kohistan district police officer Zafar Ahmad Khan said while speaking to the Wapda's security staff [more >>](#)

A case for fuel reforms

Source: [Sakib Berjees, The News, International](#) , 2026-04-22

Pakistan's fuel crisis is often framed as global oil prices and question of subsidies, but in reality it is more consequential as a question of strategic foresight, structure fragility and weak statecraft. This results in domestic inflation, external deficits, currency depreciation and social stress with almost no absorption capacity. Earlier this month, in a single adjustment cycle, the pet..... [more >>](#)

Brent futures retreat on Iran ceasefire extension after brief climb above \$100

Source: [Reuters, The News, International](#) , 2026-04-22

Oil prices pared gains after briefly climbing above \$100 a barrel following an announcement from US President Donald Trump that he was extending a ceasefire with Iran until Tehran submits a proposal. Brent crude futures were volatile, settling up about 3% on Tuesday and then climbing further to rise more than 5% to a session high of \$101.15 after reports that US Vice President JD Vance had called..... [more >>](#)

Comment: Meter still running

Source: [Dr Farrukh Saleem, The News, International](#) , 2026-04-22

Pakistan's RLNG system rests on two Floating Storage and Regasification Units (FSRUs). Pakistan LNG Limited (PLL) and Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) contracted and operate these terminals under long-term agreements. Five structural flaws define these contracts. First: Pay for capacity, not for gas. Pakistan pays about \$538,535 a day in fixed capacity charges even when LNG does not arrive..... [more >>](#)

Just energy transition

Source: [Theiva Lingam, The News, International](#), 2026-04-22

Wars, invasions, blockades, and genocide from Venezuela and Iran to Palestine have ripped the curtain off the inherent volatility and violence of the fossil energy system. We need a rapid and just scale-up of socially controlled renewables to end the era of fossil fuels. But ensuring a just transition requires deeper conversation. Who benefits from the energy transition? Who bears the cost? Who ge..... [more >>](#)

Question mark over claims about 'stablegrid' after loadshedding

Source: [Munawar Hasan, The News, International](#), 2026-04-22

LAHORE: After a brief lull, unannounced loadshedding has resurfaced across the country, exposing a widening gap between official government claims and the ground reality being faced by electricity consumers. The Power Division's assertions of a stabilised national energy grid are increasingly being met with skepticism, as consumers continue to report power outages lasting up to three hours [more >>](#)

OGDC targets low-BTU gas to unlock value from stranded fields

Source: [Our Correspondent, The News, International](#), 2026-04-22

KARACHI: Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDC) is stepping up efforts to unlock value from its stranded and low-BTU gas resources, with a renewed focus on fast-tracking production from challenging assets such as the Zin gas field. As part of this strategy, OGDC is engaging with the Balochistan government to explore the utilisation of Zin's low-BTU gas for industrial clusters and fe..... [more >>](#)

'How energy pricing is undermining Pakistan's industrial future'

Source: [Khalid Mustafa, The News, International](#), 2026-04-22

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's recent diplomatic success in helping ease tensions between the US and Iran has elevated its standing as a constructive player on the global stage. The development comes at a time when international oil markets are stabilising, offering countries like Pakistan a potential opportunity to strengthen economic recovery and industrial growth. However, Aptma in a letter to M..... [more >>](#)

Attock refinery shuts main crude unit as traffic curbs in Islamabad disrupt supply

Source: [Web Desk, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-22

Attock Refinery Limited (ARL) has announced the shutdown of its main crude distillation unit following disruptions in oil supply and product dispatch caused by traffic restrictions in Islamabad ahead of possible US-Iran talks on Wednesday, according to an official notification. The refinery caters to fuel requirements across central and northern Punjab, Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, Azad Jammu and Kashmir..... [more >>](#)

OGDC engages Balochistan to utilise Zin gas

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-22

ISLAMABAD: Oil and Gas Development Company (OGDC) has continued to accelerate efforts to unlock value from its stranded and low British-thermal-unit (BTU) gas resources, with a renewed focus on fast-tracking production from challenging assets such as the Zin Gas Field. As part of this strategy, OGDC is actively engaging with the government of Balochistan to explore the utilisation of Zin's l..... [more >>](#)

Discos found purchasing power outside national grid at exorbitant rates

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-22

ISLAMABAD: Amid public outcry over expensive power and excessive loadshedding, the government on Wednesday announced that it had unearthed expensive power purchases by distribution companies (Discos) outside the national grid at exorbitant rates in violation of the economic merit order. According to an official statement, the Discos were purchasing electricity from small power producers (SPPs) [more >>](#)

PM steps in for restoration of coal supply to Sahiwal power plant

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-22

ISLAMABAD: Amid volatile electricity supplies, the government has reshuffled the Pakistan Railways freight transport team following disruptions in coal movement for base-load power stations in Punjab. Coal stocks at the Sahiwal Power Plant, a 1,320-megawatt base-load facility, had fallen to levels sufficient for only a few days of operation as railway authorities and plant management rem..... [more >>](#)

Power supply stable during peak hours Power Division says improved dam releases enabled 5,125MW generation

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-23

ISLAMABAD: The Power Division on Wednesday said that electricity supply remained stable during peak hours last night despite an increase in demand from provinces. In a statement, the spokesperson said improved water releases from dams enabled the generation of 5,125 megawatts (MW) of electricity during peak time. Around 400MW were also successfully transmitted from the southern region to the cen..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan LNG seeks three spot cargoes in first tender since December 2023

Source: [Reuters, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-23

Pakistan LNG Limited has issued its first spot tender for liquefied natural gas (LNG) since December 2023 amid supply shortfalls triggered by the US-Israeli war with Iran. The company is seeking bids from international suppliers for three LNG cargoes of around 140,000 cubic metres each for delivery on April 27-30, and on May 1-7 and 8-14 at Port Qasim in Karachi, according to an advert..... [more >>](#)

Oil supply to Attock refinery restored after transport disruption

Source: [Zaigham Naqvi, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-23

ISLAMABAD: The movement of crude oil and petroleum products to and from Attock Refinery Limited resumed late Wednesday night after authorities stepped in to ease disruptions, the refinery's management said. The restoration was facilitated through the intervention of Petroleum Minister Ali Pervaiz Malik enabling road transport to return to normal. A day earlier, in a mandatory regulator..... [more >>](#)

Minister orders halt to costly power purchases Matter was revealed during a stock-taking of DISCOs

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-23

ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for Power Division Sardar Awais Ahmed Khan Leghari has taken serious notice of power off-take from small power producers (SPPs) and captive power plants (CPPs) by distribution companies (DISCOs) at tariffs exceeding the prevailing national merit order, according to a statement issued on Wednesday. The matter was revealed during a stock-taking of DISCOs. The minister d..... [more >>](#)

Bypassing EMO, Discos purchasing electricity from SPPs, CPPs at inflated rates

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-23

ISLAMABAD - Power distribution companies (Discos) were found purchasing electricity at inflated rates, bypassing the Economic Merit Order (EMO), which seems to undermine the government's efforts to shield consumers from high electricity costs. The Discos were procuring electricity from small power producers (SPPs) and captive power plants (CPPs) at inflated rates in violation of national mer..... [more >>](#)

Power Premiums

Source: [Editorial, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-23

At a time when households are being squeezed from every direction, the discovery that distribution companies were buying electricity outside the national grid at rates above the national merit order is more than a technical lapse. It is an indictment of regulatory discipline. The public is already contending with high power bills, fuel-driven inflation and persistent loadshedding. Gas shortages an..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan moves to build strategic oil buffer

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-23

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has taken a major step towards strengthening its energy security by forming a high-level committee to design and operationalise Strategic Petroleum Reserves (SPR), aimed at reducing vulnerability to global oil price shocks and supply disruptions. The committee has been given a tight deadline and is required to submit its recommendations and implementation roadmap by May 8, 202..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan probes costly off-merit power purchases as minister orders immediate halt

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-23

ISLAMABAD: The power minister has ordered an immediate stop to electricity purchases made above the national least-cost benchmark and launched an inquiry into distribution companies (Discos) accused of procuring power from small and captive plants at higher-than-allowed tariffs. The power minister, Sardar Awais Ahmed Khan Leghari, on Wednesday took “serious notice” after a review found..... [more >>](#)

ARL shuts main crude plant amid road closures

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-23

ISLAMABAD: In a major setback, Attock Refinery Limited (ARL) — the only oil refinery in the north of the country — has been forced to shut down until restoration of ongoing road closures taken under security measures ahead of the possible US-Iran talks. The refinery is the only such facility catering to the fuel requirements of almost all of central and northern Punjab, as well as Khy..... [more >>](#)

Real gas, not hot air

Source: [Fasih Ahmed](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-23

There is a certain kind of argument that relies on arithmetic impersonating analysis. A number is plucked out, repeated with increasing indignation and made to do the work of thought. The latest criticism of Pakistan’s LNG terminals is built that way. It tells us that Pakistan pays fixed capacity charges even when LNG does not arrive, that the contracts are dollar-linked, rigid and one-side..... [more >>](#)

Gwadar power planners flag chronic outages, push 40MW local plant

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan’s power planners have proposed a dedicated 40MW local generation plant for Gwadar, warning that the port city’s heavy reliance on electricity imports from Iran has resulted in frequent outages and rising energy security risks. A report submitted by the Independent System and Market Operator (ISMO) to the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) describe..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan plans up to 70,720MW power expansion by 2035 amid demand risks

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan will require between 62,660MW and 70,720MW of additional power generation capacity by 2035 to support projected economic growth of 3.5 to 6.4 percent, according to the revised Indicative Generation Capacity Expansion Plan (IGCEP) 2025-35. The plan, prepared by the Independent System and Market Operator in consultation with the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra)..... [more >>](#)

OGDC triples output from Jand-1 gas well revived in Attock

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD: Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDC) has revived production at the Jand-1 well in Attock, lifting gas output to more than 21 million cubic feet per day, roughly three times its previous level, in a boost

to Pakistan's strained energy supplies. The well, brought back online after recompletion and targeted stimulation, is flowing through a 32/64-inch choke at a wellhead p..... [more >>](#)

Sepeco board reconstituted

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD: The government on Thursday constituted 10-member board of directors of Sukkur Electric Power Company (Sepco) as required under the State-Owned Entities Law. According to a notification, Ghulam Mustafa Leghari will act as chairman of the board while private members include Faraz Sheikh, Sanam Inam Sheikh, Imran Hussain and Naween Mangi. Majority of them are close relatives of political [more >>](#)

Attock Refinery resumes fuel transport

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD: Road transport of petroleum crude and products to and from Attock Oil Refinery (ARL) was restored late last night with the support and intervention of Petroleum Minister Ali Pervaiz Malik and the General Headquarters (GHQ), the refinery's management confirmed. A day earlier, the refinery was forced to shut down due to road closures. The refinery is the only such facility caterin..... [more >>](#)

Electricity shortfall spurs LNG spot buying

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD: After a gap of 28 months, state-run Pakistan LNG Ltd (PLL) on Thursday floated urgent tenders to import three LNG cargoes for delivery between April 27 and May 8 amid rising temperatures and a power shortfall. PLL has set April 24 (Friday) as the deadline for bids, which will be opened the same day, given the urgent need to meet power demand that fell short by more than 4,500MW at peak..... [more >>](#)

PM says gov't's timely actions for energy conservation averted crisis

Source: [Mateen Haider](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD - Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday calling energy security a vital part of the country's future planning, said that the government's timely measures regarding energy conservation in the current regional situation averted a crisis. The prime minister, chairing a high-level meeting regarding energy security, said that work was underway on a plan to maintain strategic..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan floats tender for purchase of 3 LNG cargoes to meet rising power demand

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan has floated tender for the purchase of three LNG cargoes from the spot market to meet rising electricity demand due to supply disruptions and high oil prices caused by the US-Israeli conflict with Iran. The state-owned Pakistan LNG Limited (PLL) Thursday floated urgent tenders to import three LNG cargoes from spot market for delivery between April 27 and May 8 amid surging te..... [more >>](#)

Increased SBP facilitation; Import of oil, POL items, LNG in focus

Source: [Rizwan Bhatti](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

KARACHI: The State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) on Thursday empowered banks to issue Financial Instruments (FIs) at the time of registration of import contracts for crude oil and petroleum products, citing the prevailing geopolitical situation. The SBP has also allowed banks to issue Standby Letters of Credit (SBLCs) to facilitate the import of crude oil, petroleum products and liquefied natural ga..... [more >>](#)

Energy security; Timely steps helped avert potential crisis: PM

Source: [Zulfiqar Ahmad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday emphasised that energy security is a cornerstone of the country's future planning, stating that the government's timely conservation measures had averted a potential crisis amid regional instability. Chairing a high-level meeting on energy security, Sharif said the government was preparing a plan to maintain strategic crude oil [more >>](#)

Energy costs, regional tensions; Private sector trust plunges in Q1: survey

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

KARACHI: Pakistan's private sector confidence has deteriorated sharply in the first quarter of 2026, with a majority of businesses reporting worsening conditions amid rising energy costs and spill over effects from regional geopolitical tensions, according to a survey released by Gallup Pakistan. The 17th quarterly Gallup Business Confidence Survey, conducted in April 2026 based on resp..... [more >>](#)

Power shortfall exceeds 11,000MW

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan is currently facing a shortfall of over 11,000 MW of electricity due to zero supply of RLNG, along with scheduled and unscheduled outages and prolonged faults at key power plants, including the 969MW Neelum-Jhelum Hydropower Project (NJHPP) and the 747 MW Guddu Combined Cycle Power Plant, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. The country's total installed pow..... [more >>](#)

Punjab Thermal Power Plant; PTPL, CMEC sign agreement

Source: [Saeed Akhtar Baloch](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

LAHORE: A close-out agreement was signed between the Punjab Thermal Power Plant (PTPL) and the China Machinery Engineering Corporation (CMEC) regarding the Punjab Thermal Power Plant, a flagship energy project of the provincial government. Punjab Minister for Energy Faisal Ayub Khokhar, who attended the ceremony as the chief guest on Thursday, congratulated the teams of PTPL and CMEC on the s..... [more >>](#)

Cargoes from global suppliers; PLL receives 4 bids for spot LNG purchase

Source: [Wasim Iqbal](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-25

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan LNG Limited (PLL) has received four bids for the spot purchase of liquefied natural gas (LNG) cargoes from international suppliers. On April 24, 2026, PLL closed a tender for three 140,000 cubic meter liquefied natural gas (LNG) cargoes to meet immediate power demands. This urgent tender, intended for late April and May delivery, follows disruptions in supply routes and su..... [more >>](#)

Petrol, diesel prices hiked

Source: [Wasim Iqbal](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-25

ISLAMABAD: Federal government Friday announced a massive hike in fuel prices, raising both petrol and high-speed diesel by Rs26.77 per litre, effective from April 25, 2026. Following the increase, according to the statement of Petroleum Division, the new price for petrol is Rs393.35 per litre, while high-speed diesel price has risen to Rs380.19 per litre, driven by rising petroleum levy (PL) [more >>](#)

A Fragile Buffer

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-25

The procurement of three spot LNG cargoes by Pakistan is a tactical victory in an otherwise precarious energy landscape. By securing these shipments through competitive bidding, the state has managed to address an immediate shortfall in gas supplies, ensuring that the industrial and domestic sectors are not plunged into a total blackout. The benefits of these acquisitions are twofold, though they..... [more >>](#)

Govt hikes petrol, diesel prices by Rs26.77 per litre

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-25

ISLAMABAD - The federal government on Friday once again jacked up the prices of petrol and high speed diesel by Rs 26.77 per liter each for a week. The Government of Pakistan has revised the prices of the petroleum products for the next week starting from 25th April, 2026, said a notification issued by the Petroleum Division. According the notification, following the increase of Rs 26.77 per l..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan receives four bids for three spot LNG cargoes amid power demand surge

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-25

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan on Friday received four bids ranging from \$17.997 to \$18.88 per million British thermal units (mmBtu) for three spot LNG cargoes scheduled for delivery between April 27 and May 8. Pakistan LNG Limited (PLL) invited bids for three spot cargoes and received four offers within the price range of \$17.997/mmBtu to \$18.88/mmBtu. Of these, three bids were declared the lowest evaluate..... [more >>](#)

Surprise fuel hike adds to burden on consumers

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-25

ISLAMABAD: In a surprise move, the Shehbaz Sharif government on Friday increased the prices of both petrol and diesel by Rs26.77 per litre with immediate effect for the week ending May 1, passing on the impact of global prices during the last fortnight while also seeking to raise revenues in the final months of the fiscal year under commitments with the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The IM..... [more >>](#)

Oil slides, global stocks rise as US-Iran talks spark optimism

Source: [Khalid Mustafa, The News, International](#), 2026-04-25

ISLAMABAD: Financial markets across the world turned positive on Friday following reports that Iran and the US are set to restart talks in Islamabad, easing fears of supply disruption in the Middle East and pushing oil prices lower while supporting equities across major regions. At the start of trading, oil prices had briefly surged on geopolitical concerns, with Brent crude touching \$107.02 per [more >>](#)

Power problems

Source: [Afia Malik, The News, International](#), 2026-04-26

A week back, Pakistan once again faced extreme loadshedding, after nearly a decade – 8-10 hours in urban areas and 12-18 hours in rural areas. The Power Division formally announced a suspension of electricity supply for approximately 2.25 hours daily during peak hours. However, despite this announcement, consumers in major urban centres have reported outages lasting 8-12 hours, even beyond p..... [more >>](#)

Seapeak Magellan to bring LNG cargo on April 30

Source: [Khalid Mustafa, The News, International](#), 2026-04-26

ISLAMABAD: Total Energies, after winning a contract for one LNG cargo at \$18.4 per mmbtu, will dispatch the vessel Seapeak Magellan, which is expected to berth at the PGPC terminal at Port Qasim, Pakistan, on April 30, 2026, carrying around 140,000 cubic metres, or approximately 3 billion cubic feet (bcf), of LNG. Officials said the volume will not be sufficient to run four RLNG-based power plant..... [more >>](#)

Fuel shortage cripples Quetta police patrols

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-26

QUETTA: A growing shortage of fuel for police patrol vehicles in Quetta has severely disrupted routine policing, sparking concern among residents over a potential rise in crime and delayed emergency response. Patrol vehicles assigned to various police stations in the provincial capital have been rendered largely inactive due to insufficient petrol and diesel supplies. These vehicles, which pla..... [more >>](#)

IMF endorses diesel pricing formula

Source: [Shahbaz Rana, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-26

ISLAMABAD: The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has endorsed a new formula to fix prices of high-speed diesel, which has addressed the issue of windfall gains to oil refineries due to the Middle East war and helped keep diesel prices lower by Rs100 per litre for this week. Without any change in the formula, the diesel price would have been Rs480 per litre for the current week, compared with the..... [more >>](#)

Hydel output rises to 6,000MW, load management limited despite higher demand, says Power Division

Source: [News Wire, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-26

ISLAMABAD - The Power Division on Saturday said that hydropower generation increased to 6,000 megawatts during peak hours last night, helping limit load management despite a surge in electricity demand. According to a spokesperson, increased water releases from Tarbela Dam during nighttime contributed to higher hydel generation. He said the total installed hydropower capacity stood at around 11,..... [more >>](#)

Govt ignored drop in ex-refinery costs of petroleum products

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-26

ISLAMABAD - The federal government increased petrol and diesel prices, ignoring the drop in ex-refinery costs of petroleum products, and instead jacked up Inland Freight Equalization Margin (IFEM) by up to 401 percent on both petrol and diesel and petroleum levy by over 33 percent on petrol. Instead of giving some relief to consumers - on the face of US-Israel-Iran conflict - burden of petroleum l..... [more >>](#)

Another POL price hike triggers widespread anxiety

Source: [Khalid Hasnain, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-26

LAHORE: The public at large, trade unions, associations and civil society groups have widely criticised the government for once again increasing the petrol and diesel prices and sought withdrawal of the decision with immediate effect. They also expressed concerns over the increasing price hike of commodities, transportation and other charges due to repeated increases in the petroleum prices. [more >>](#)

Hydel output up; Discos to keep load management at 2 hours: PD

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-26

ISLAMABAD: The Power Division on Saturday said load management remained in the limit of two hours in power Distribution Companies (DISCOs) due to increase in hydel generation despite the fact electricity demand in the country has increased. The government has opted to buy expensive spot Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) at \$ 18.880/MMBTU for supply April 27-30, 2026 to bridge electricity generation..... [more >>](#)

POL price hike to push up cost of production manifold: traders

Source: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-27

KARACHI: Businessmen and industrialists criticized the government for the soaring prices of petrol and diesel in an unexpected move, terming it a destructive step toward business growth. They pointed out that the fresh hike in petroleum product prices will substantially increase logistics expenses, ultimately raising the cost of doing business and living in the country. Recently, the gov..... [more >>](#)

Oil's demand destruction

Source: [Syed Rashid Husain, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-27

The energy world is changing, and a new world order is in the making. Demand destruction, growing interest in alternative routes to the Straits of Hormuz, and the possible accelerated transition to alternative energy are the contours of the emerging new energy order. The ongoing crisis in the Middle East, the blockage of the Strait of Hormuz and the associated rise in energy prices are resulting [more >>](#)

Malik speaks about diesel pricing formula; 'Voluntary' deal reached with refineries

Source: NNI, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-27

ISLAMABAD: Petroleum Minister Ali Pervaiz Malik said the change in the diesel pricing formula was not the result of any pressure. He said a voluntary agreement had been reached between the petroleum division and refineries, adding that an interim formula had been prepared after consultation with a research team. He said the aim was to upgrade refineries and move towards full deregulation, str..... [more >>](#)

Nepra approves Gepco's DIP 2025-30 with flexible review mechanism

Source: Mushtaq Ghumman, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-27

ISLAMABAD National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) has approved the Distribution Investment Plan (DIP) 2025–30 of GEPCO, incorporating annual and mid-term review “reopeners” to ensure need-based investments and flexibility in response to evolving sector dynamics, irrespective of any future ownership transition. During the hearing on the petition, GEPCO stated tha..... [more >>](#)

Diesel profits capped

Source: BR Research, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-27

The crack/refining margins of diesel (HSD) over crude oil have become abnormally high in the last few weeks after the Iran-US war broke out. The government's first reaction was to pass on the impact to consumers by keeping the formula based on average Platts prices intact. That resulted in the HSD price almost doubling to Rs520/litre, even with no petroleum levy. The beneficiaries were [more >>](#)

Petrodollar faces gradual pressure

Source: Asad Rizvi, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-27

In its upcoming monetary policy announcement, the SBP is anticipated to emphasise forward guidance in light of increasing oil prices and supply shortages. While inflation has shown a significant decline, the risks have notably escalated due to surging oil prices and hikes in energy tariffs. Although the situation is currently being managed effectively, stress on Pakistan's economy [more >>](#)

Wake up to the reality

Source: Jahanzaib Durrani, [The News, International](#), 2026-04-28

There is something fundamentally broken when a country spends roughly \$9 billion importing petroleum products in seven months while shutting in its own oil and gas wells. Yet, that is exactly what Pakistan did last year. Surplus imported LNG had flooded the national gas network, leaving no room for domestic gas. Wells were shut in not because they stopped producing, but because the system could n..... [more >>](#)

Power circular debt jumps Rs224bn in 8 months, hits Rs1.84tr by Feb

Source: Israr Khan, [The News, International](#), 2026-04-28

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's power sector circular debt surged by Rs224 billion in the first eight months of the current fiscal year, reaching Rs1.837 trillion by February 2026. The stock, up from Rs1.614 trillion in June 2025, reflects seasonal and timing-related increases, though the Power Division said the figure eased to Rs1.798 trillion in March, signaling short-term stabilization. On a year-..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan to develop 90-day POL reserves

Source: Khalid Mustafa, [The News, International](#), 2026-04-28

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has moved to initiate the development of Strategic Petroleum Reserves (SPR) aimed at building a fuel buffer of up to 90 days, as policymakers respond to heightened concerns over potential supply disruptions linked to instability in the Strait of Hormuz, a critical global oil transit route. The development comes amid renewed geopolitical tensions following military escalation i..... [more >>](#)

Nepra notifies grid connectivity regulations for power producers

Source: [Khalid Mustafa, The News, International](#), 2026-04-28

ISLAMABAD: National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has issued new regulations governing the technical standards for grid connectivity of power generation companies, aimed at ensuring safe, reliable and efficient integration with the national electricity system. The notification, issued on April 27, 2026, under the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Po..... [more >>](#)

Power sector circular debt soars by Rs224b in eight months

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-28

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan's power sector circular debt has recorded an increase of Rs224 billion in the first eight months (July-February) of the current fiscal year, rising to Rs1.837 trillion from Rs1.614 trillion in June 2025. However, as compared to the same period of the previous fiscal year, the circular debt has declined by Rs694 billion to Rs1.837 trillion in July-February period of the [more >>](#)

Nepra tightens control over new power plants

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-28

ISLAMABAD - NEPRA has tightened control over new power plants, requiring developers to secure government "concurrence" before construction and meet stricter technical standards for grid connections. To this effect, the regulator on Monday issued two sweeping new regulations, a move officials say will prevent wasteful capacity and protect grid stability. Under the National Electric Pow..... [more >>](#)

PSO posts Rs38 billion profit in nine months amid strong operational growth

Source: [Web Desk, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

Pakistan State Oil (PSO) has reported a profit exceeding Rs38 billion for the first nine months of the current financial year, showing a significant improvement in financial performance and operations. According to the company's financial statement, earnings rose sharply from Rs15.3 billion in the same period last year, marking a 149% increase. Earnings per share also increased to Rs 81.1..... [more >>](#)

Regulator declares loadshedding illegal

Source: [Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD: In an interesting show of lampooning, the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) publicly confirmed that revenue-based loadshedding is illegal, but the Power Division rejected this, saying the practice would continue nevertheless to avoid the addition of Rs400bn to the circular debt already roaring back to Rs1.8 trillion from about Rs1.6tr nine months ago. At a publi..... [more >>](#)

Licence, fee curbs on prosumers abolished

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Tuesday withdrew, ab initio, the requirement for a licence, along with a Rs1,000 per kW licensing fee, for solar net-metering consumers with systems below 25 kilowatts. The development comes two days after the Power Division, facing severe public criticism for "taxing sunlight," directed Nepra to abolish the requ..... [more >>](#)

Energy prices to surge 24pc in 2026: WB

Source: [Reuters, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

WASHINGTON: Energy prices are expected to surge by 24 per cent in 2026 to their highest level since Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine four years ago, if the most acute disruptions caused by the war in the Middle East end in May, the World Bank said on Tuesday. Commodity prices could rise even further if hostilities in the region escalated and supply disruptions lasted longer than expe..... [more >>](#)

CNG crisis hits economic activities in KP

Source: [Ali Hazrat Bacha](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

PESHAWAR: A deepening CNG crisis in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has brought economic activity to a near standstill, with hundreds of filling stations shut and millions of citizens struggling for affordable fuel, prompting the All Pakistan CNG Association's KP Zone to demand urgent government intervention. Addressing a news conference at the Peshawar Press Club on Tuesday, Haji Parvez Khattak, the ch..... [more >>](#)

Gas shift to power sector eases grid strain

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD: The government has redirected gas supplies to power sector to reduce the country's growing electricity shortage, increasing allocations to 150mmcf from 108mmcf by suspending 48 mmcf previously provided to CNG sector. Despite this increase, the power sector still faces a major deficit. Its total demand is around 450mmcf, while Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited is currently su..... [more >>](#)

Oil prices hit \$110 while stocks waver on Iran impasse

Source: [Reuters](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-29

SINGAPORE/LONDON: Stocks held their ground and oil rose on Tuesday as investors weighed the stalemate in the Iran conflict, while the yen was steady after a hawkish split at the Bank of Japan underlined fears over the war's impact on inflation. The US was reviewing Tehran's latest proposal to resolve the war, even as a US official said President Donald Trump was unhappy with the pla..... [more >>](#)

UAE exit

Source: [Editorial](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-30

The Strait of Hormuz is closed and the UAE has left the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) and the wider Opec+ alliance. If anyone had this on their bingo cards for 2026, they are likely clairvoyant. And while the Hormuz will open eventually, though no one seems to know just how long that will take, the UAE's departure from the world's premier oil cartel on May 1 will..... [more >>](#)

LNG vessel to arrive at Port Qasim today

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-30

ISLAMABAD: A new liquefied natural gas (LNG) cargo is set to arrive at Port Qasim today (Thursday offering temporary relief to Pakistan's strained power sector, though officials caution that the shipment alone will not be enough to end loadshedding across the country without further imports. The LNG vessel Seapeak Magellan, carrying around 140,000 cubic metre of gas, will berth at the Pakis..... [more >>](#)

IMF revises gas captive levy formula

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-30

ISLAMABAD: In a major policy shift under Pakistan's energy reform programme, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has revised the calculation mechanism of "off-the-grid" levy imposed on gas used by captive power plants (CPPs), significantly easing pressure on export-oriented industries. Under the revised framework, the levy will now be calculated on the average of peak and non-..... [more >>](#)

Oil industry presses Ogra to clear PDC dues

Source: [Tanveer Malik](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-30

KARACHI: The oil industry has urged the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) to expedite the settlement of outstanding Price Differential Claims (PDC) and restore a simplified reimbursement mechanism, warning that continued delays are straining liquidity and threatening supply chain stability. In a letter addressed to Ogra's Member (Finance), the Oil Companies Advisory Council (OCAC) ack..... [more >>](#)

OGDC profit rises to Rs115bn

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-30

ISLAMABAD: Oil and Gas Development Co. (OGDCL) reported a profit after tax of Rs115.26 billion for the nine months ended March 31, 2026, and declared a record cumulative dividend of Rs11 per share. The state-run explorer announced a third interim cash dividend of Rs3.25 per share, taking its nine-month payout to a historic high. Net sales revenue stood at Rs300.13 billion, with earnings per share..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's weekly oil import bill surges to \$800m from \$300m due to US-Iran war, says PM

Source: [Mateen Haider](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

ISLAMABAD - Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Wednesday said that Pakistan was still continuing its efforts to maintain peace in the region, highlighting the country's proactive diplomatic role in easing tensions and promoting stability. Addressing the cabinet, the prime minister highlighted that marathon talks between Iran and the US held in Islamabad on April 11 lasted for 21 hours and ma..... [more >>](#)

Weekly fuel bill shoots to \$800m

Source: [Syed Irfan Raza](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

ISLAMABAD: Although Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Wednesday expressed satisfaction over the "reduction in fuel consumption" due to conservation and austerity measures, he revealed that the country's weekly oil bill had reached \$800 million due to the energy crisis arising from the Middle East conflict. "Thanks to Allah Almighty that our fuel consumption has declined due..... [more >>](#)

Production curbs hit OGDCL profit

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

ISLAMABAD: Marred by forced production curtailment, the profitability of the country's largest oil and gas producer, Oil and Gas Development Company (OGDCL), dropped by 11 per cent to Rs115.3 billion in the first three quarters (July-March) of the current fiscal year. While approving the financial results for the first nine months, the board of directors of the company on Wednesday declar..... [more >>](#)

Nepra proposes amendments to prosumers rules

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

ISLAMABAD: National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) has proposed amendments to its Prosumer Regulations, 2026, aiming to simplify the approval process for small-scale distributed generation consumers. According to a draft notification issued for public consultation, the regulator intends to introduce key changes under Section 47 of the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Di..... [more >>](#)

PM points to heavy weekly oil bill

Source: [Zulfiqar Ahmad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Wednesday said the ongoing conflict in the Middle East had affected Pakistan's economic growth, with the country's oil bill soaring to USD800 million per week. The prime minister, while chairing a federal cabinet meeting, said that Pakistan was on a growth trajectory after achieving macroeconomic stability, but regional tensions, particu..... [more >>](#)

Oil prices rise over 6pc

Source: [Reuters](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

NEW YORK/LONDON: Oil prices surged over 6 percent on Wednesday to settle at their highest in weeks, as deadlocked US-Iran negotiations made investors more concerned about prolonged disruptions to Middle Eastern supply. US government data showed a bigger weekly draw in crude and fuel inventories than expected, which also put upward pressure on oil prices. Brent crude futures for June rose..... [more >>](#)

12 IPPs of 2,577MW set to retire in 10 years: PD

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-30

ISLAMABAD: The Ministry of Energy (Power Division) has stated that 12 Independent Power Producers (IPPs), with a combined capacity of 2,577 MW, are scheduled to retire over the next 10 years. According to the Power Division, IPP contracts are structured based on commissioning dates and system requirements, making it neither technically feasible nor commercially viable to terminate all agreeeme..... [more >>](#)

Hydropower generation reaches 6,000MW: PD

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-30

ISLAMABAD: Power generation from hydropower sources reached 6,000MW during peak hours on Tuesday night against a total installed hydel capacity of 11,500MW. According to Power Division, electricity generation improved further due to the supply of local gas to certain power plants. Increased hydropower generation, along with the availability of additional indigenous gas, contributed to enhance..... [more >>](#)

Correcting the captive gas levy

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-30

The IMF has agreed to modify the price formula used to determine the levy on captive power plants, which was flawed in the first place. The formula was based on peak rates instead of the weighted average of peak and off-peak rates, which would have made it more compatible with grid tariff usage. If calculated correctly, the revision should reduce the levy by around 60%, bringing it to roughly Rs60..... [more >>](#)

Europe's energy crisis response avoids consumption curbs, for now

Source: [Mark John and Kate Abnett](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-30

As the energy shock from the Iran war deepens, countries around the world from Australia to Egypt are looking to conserve fuel, be it through encouraging more remote work, limiting air travel, or promoting public transport. But not – with a very few timid exceptions - in Europe. One reason is that the impact on the continent so far is not as severe as back in 2022, when Russia inva..... [more >>](#)

Targeted subsidy programme for consumers in Karachi;Energy Dept, KE directed to undertake study

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-30

KARACHI: Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah has directed the Energy Department and K-Electric to jointly undertake a study on a targeted subsidy programme for electricity consumers in Karachi, aimed at providing relief to vulnerable households. He directed the formulation of proposals to provide affordable electricity to low-income neighbourhoods and industrial areas, while stressing th..... [more >>](#)

Power regulator says revenue-based load-shedding illegal

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD: National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Tuesday reiterated its stance that revenue-based load shedding in the country is illegal, despite concerns from the Power Planning and Monitoring Company (PPMC) that its abolition could add over Rs 500 billion to the circular debt. The issue—reportedly backed by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and other internation..... [more >>](#)

ISMO, Nepra at odds over ISP issues

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD: The Independent System and Market Operator (ISMO) and National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) are at odds over key aspects of the Integrated System Plan (ISP) 2025-35, with both sides presenting contrasting views on project inclusion, demand projections and regulatory compliance. In its detailed response to Nepra's observations of March 11, 2026, ISMO defended th..... [more >>](#)

Energy inflation to the forefront; Energy is back at the center of the inflation narrative.

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

April 2026 CPI is shaping up under the impact of a sharp energy shock, with the projected contribution from the energy basket alone approaching 4 percentage points. This is notable given that energy carries a weight of just about 10 to 10.5 percent in the national CPI. A relatively small segment of the basket is set to account for a disproportionately large share of the headline print, raising the..... [more >>](#)

MARI: Solid operations amid familiar constraints

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

Mari Energies (PSX: MARI) delivered a respectable 9MFY26. Net sales rose by 5 percent year-on-year, while profit after tax increased 7 percent to Rs49.6 billion. On the face of it, that is a solid result. But the story underneath the headline is a little more nuanced. Profit before tax actually declined 4 percent, which suggests that the bottom-line improvement was helped in part by a lower tax ch..... [more >>](#)

UAE's exit tests OPEC+

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-30

The UAE's decision to leave OPEC+ is more than just another disagreement inside the oil producers' club. It marks an important shift in the politics of crude supply. For now, the impact on prices may remain limited because the market is still focused on geopolitical risks, especially disruptions around the Strait of Hormuz. But over the medium to long term, the move weakens OPEC+ disci..... [more >>](#)

An alternative to charging stations

Source: [Yousuf Nazar](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-27

Imagine pulling into a station on the Lahore–Islamabad motorway, parking your electric car over a platform, and watching a robotic system swap your depleted battery for a fully charged one in under three minutes. No cables, no waiting, no range anxiety. You drive off as if you have just filled a tank of petrol, but cheaper, cleaner, and without ever owning the battery that powers your vehicl..... [more >>](#)

EV charging infrastructure push faces setback over policy dispute

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-28

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's ambitious plan to transition towards electric mobility is facing friction as private-sector stakeholders raise concerns over regulatory barriers affecting the import and deployment of electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure. At the centre of the issue is a disputed classification under Customs General Order (CGO) Entry No 938 in the Draft CGO No 3 (revised as o..... [more >>](#)

How Pakistan can power the AI economy with Thar energy

Source: [Shamsul Islam Khan](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-24

Pakistan is paying for electricity it does not use. Through capacity payments, billions of rupees flow annually to power producers regardless of actual consumption, while consumers bear rising electricity tariffs including fixed charges, yet circular debt continues to swell. At the same time, the world is entering an era defined by artificial intelligence—an industry whose most critical inpu..... [more >>](#)

Renewable Energy

PM orders action in Rs120b solar scam

Source: [Ehtasham Mufti](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-26

KARACHI: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has ordered immediate legal action against all individuals involved in the Rs120 billion solar panel over-invoicing and money laundering case, according to an official statement. The prime

minister expressed concern over the illegal scheme, which continued from 2017 to 2022 and highlighted the negligence of multiple institutions. He ordered departmental act..... [more >>](#)

Provision of free electricity units not legal right of employees, rules LHC

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

LAHORE/ ISLAMABAD - The Lahore High Court (LHC) on Friday upheld the government's policy of monetising free electricity units for officers of power distribution companies, dismissing a petition challenging the move. As per a detailed verdict released on Friday, the court maintained the government notification issued on December 5, 2023, under which free electricity units for officers in B..... [more >>](#)

KP govt prioritises youth, security and clean energy in ADP 26–27

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

Peshawar - A high level meeting of the Planning and Development Department was held under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Sohail Afridi, to undertake a comprehensive review of the proposed Annual Development Programme for the fiscal year 2026–27 and deliberate on new development initiatives across multiple sectors. The meeting reviewed proposed schemes relating to the..... [more >>](#)

Body formed to probe Haripur gas pipeline blast as victims laid to rest

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-18

HARIPUR: The Hazara commissioner has constituted a committee to probe the Haripur gas pipeline blast, as the eight persons who died in the explosion were laid to rest amid moving scenes in the Kotnajibullah Maira area here on Friday morning. Officials of the district administration and the police, local government representatives, and factory workers were among those who attended the funeral pr..... [more >>](#)

Pak Suzuki inaugurates biogas plant, 920kWh solar power project

Source: [Press Release](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

KARACHI - Pak Suzuki Motor Company Limited has formally inaugurated its 100m³ Biogas Plant and 920kWh Solar Power Project, reaffirming the company's commitment to sustainable and environment friendly energy integration into its manufacturing operations. The inauguration ceremony was attended by Senator Saleem H. Mandviwala, chairman of the Senate Standing Committee on Finance & Reve..... [more >>](#)

Net Metering to Net Billing

Source: [Rehan Sayeed](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

The journey toward the adoption of solar energy has been one of the few true success stories in Pakistan's recent history. While our nation is not historically known for spearheading green initiatives, sheer economic desperation, driven by crushing utility bills, compelled upper- and middle-class households, as well as businesses, to invest heavily in renewable energy. This citizen-led move..... [more >>](#)

KP govt may set up mini-solar grid stations in tribal districts

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

PESHAWAR: The provincial government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa is likely to establish mini-solar grid stations in the merged districts of the erstwhile Federal Administered Tribal Area (Fata) The proposal of the rehabilitation of micro hydropower stations in Tirah, installation of new electricity feeders are also under-consideration and inclusion of the 22 megawatt Patrak-Shringle Hydropower Stati..... [more >>](#)

Nimir Group launches 'Nimbess' lithium battery

Source: [Press Release](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-17

LAHORE - The Nimir Group of Companies, a titan of Pakistan's industrial and chemical landscape for over sixty years, has officially announced its entry into the high-growth renewable energy market with the launch of its dedicated lithium battery division, Nimbess. This strategic move underscores the group's commitment to providing sustainable, cutting-edge technology to meet the rising..... [more >>](#)

Solar without a plan

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-17

Pakistan's solar transition is no longer a policy ambition—it is already underway, but in a manner that is uneven, fragmented, and largely driven by necessity rather than design. The Competition Commission of Pakistan's study, "Unlocking Green Potential: A Market Competition Study of Solar Energy in Pakistan," captures this contradiction well: a sector expanding rapid..... [more >>](#)

Royal Solar launches Hybrid Inverters and Wall-Mounted Lithium Batteries in Pakistan

Source: [Press Release](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-21

LAHORE - Royal Solar has announced the launch of its advanced Hybrid Inverters and Wall-Mounted Lithium Batteries in the Pakistan market, marking an important step toward smart, reliable, and efficient energy solutions in the country. This launch comes in response to the growing demand in Pakistan for integrated energy systems that combine solar power, intelligent energy management, and dependab..... [more >>](#)

'Solar energy key to industrial survival'

Source: [Khawar Randhawa](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-22

FAISALABAD: Representatives of Pakistan's textile industry have called on the government to accelerate the transition towards green energy, particularly solar power, to ease pressure on the national grid and manage seasonal energy demand fluctuations. Speaking at a seminar titled "Deliberating on the Impact of Prosumer Regulations, Tariff Structure and War Crisis on Energy Security and [more >>](#)

Govt denies solar licensing claims

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-23

ISLAMABAD: The Ministry of Power Division declared misleading the reports claiming the federal government made it mandatory for solar consumers to get a licence from the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra). The reports stated that amendments related to solar systems made it obligatory for all consumers installing solar setups to obtain a licence from Nepra. The reports suggested..... [more >>](#)

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Civil society groups call for shift to renewables

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-23

KARACHI: The Alliance for Climate Justice and Clean Energy and the Pakistan Renewable Energy Coalition have urged the government to undertake sweeping reforms to reduce reliance on imported fossil fuels and transition to a sustainable, locally driven energy system. The call was made in an energy security charter issued in the wake of heightened geopolitical tensions, particularly the recent US-Ir..... [more >>](#)

Nepra clarifies no licence required for off-grid solar systems

Source: [News Desk, The News, International](#) , 2026-04-26

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) clarified on Saturday that solar consumers who are not connected to the national grid do not require any licence from the regulator and no such proposal is currently under consideration. In a statement, Nepra officials explained that its regulations cannot be applied to off-grid solar consumers, adding that these rules only cover..... [more >>](#)

Power Division urges Nepra to scrap fee for solar users below 25kW

Source: [Zaigham Naqvi, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-26

ISLAMABAD: The Power Division on Sunday formally asked Nepra to review its regulations, seeking the removal of fees and a licensing exemption for solar consumers with systems under 25 kilowatts (kW), following a directive from Energy Minister Awais Leghari. The Power Division said in a statement that it had earlier informed Nepra about the adverse impact of the decision and had requested a r..... [more >>](#)

Sun to subsoil: nations ditch fossil fuels

Source: [AFP, Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-26

PARIS: Heating with geothermal energy, lighting with solar panels, cooking with biodegradable waste: how can we live with less oil and gas? It's a long-burning question — but one that is catching fire as energy costs soar due to the conflict in the Middle East, which has strangled exports of crude oil and liquefied natural gas (LNG). With the global energy shock caused by the confli..... [more >>](#)

Power division urges Nepra to scrap solar licence, fee for systems under 25kW

Source: [Israr Khan, The News, International](#) , 2026-04-27

ISLAMABAD: The Power Division has formally asked the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) to abolish application fees and remove licensing requirements for solar consumers generating up to 25 kilowatts, in a move aimed at accelerating rooftop solar adoption and cutting red tape for households. The request follows directions from Federal Minister for Power Sardar Awais Ahmed Khan L..... [more >>](#)

Bureaucracy's Friction

Source: [Editorial, The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-27

The Power Division's urge for NEpra to abolish the licence requirement fee for solar consumers below 25kW is a belated admission that unnecessary bureaucratic hurdles stifle energy transition. By attempting to remove a financial barrier for small-scale users, the government is finally acknowledging that the current regulatory framework is often an obstacle rather than an enabler. However, th..... [more >>](#)

Solar sector urges govt to withdraw licence condition

Source: [Rizwan Bhatti, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-27

KARACHI: Solar energy sector has urged the government to withdraw the proposed licence condition and new taxes on solar energy systems across the country. Founder and Chairman Pakistan Renewable Energy Development Forum Irfan Allahwala said the licensing regime and tax burden will discourage the adoption of solar and green energy that will deprive citizens of low-cost, sustainable electricity..... [more >>](#)

Solar relief Solar sector gains clarity as licensing rules for small systems are dropped

Source: [Editorial, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2026-04-30

The recent back-and-forth over solar regulations has worked to confuse even the most engaged consumers. Nepra's latest decision to abolish the licensing requirement and fee for solar systems of up to 25 kilowatts under net metering is therefore a welcome correction. It removes an unnecessary hurdle and restores a degree of sanity to a sector that has increasingly become central to household su..... [more >>](#)

Solar sense?

Source: [Editorial, The News, International](#) , 2026-04-30

If there was ever a time for Pakistan to hit the accelerator on the transition to renewable energy it is now. The Middle East conflict has unleashed an energy crisis that is set to send energy costs up by 24 per cent this year and Pakistan is among the worst affected by the energy shock. The fuel hikes, power and gas outages and early market closures are piling the economic pain on consumers and b..... [more >>](#)

'Solar adoption surging across Pakistan'

Source: [Our Correspondent, The News, International](#) , 2026-04-30

Islamabad: Pakistan's energy landscape is rapidly evolving, particularly with the increasing adoption of solar energy across both rural and urban areas. According to Gallup Pakistan's Big Data series, the 2024-25 Household Integrated Economic Survey (HIES), solar energy usage expanded significantly, driven by both affordability improvements and government incentives. With a notable in..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Engagements

High-Level Meeting with IMF Resident Representative

IMF flags economic slowdown risks for Pakistan amid Middle East conflict

Source: [Imran Ali Kundi](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD - Dr Mahir Binici, Resident Representative of International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Pakistan, has said that the ongoing Middle East conflict is likely to create a significant economic slowdown and heightened risks across the Middle East, North Africa, Afghanistan and Pakistan (MENAP) region. He was speaking at an outreach session here at Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI),..... [more >>](#)

Collaboration

5,000 mangroves planted to support coastal resilience

Source: [Faraz Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-22

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5,000 mangroves planted in Indus Delta to help store carbon, support coastal resilience

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New initiative aims to strengthen coastal mangrove cover

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [Metro Morning](#), 2026-04-23

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کراچی کے ساحلی علاقوں میں مینگروو شجرکاری مہم کا آغاز

Source: **Staff Reporter**, [Daily Jang](#), 2026-04-23

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) کارگل پاکستان نے (ایس ڈی پی آئی) کے ساتھ شراکت داری میں کراچی کے ساحلی علاقوں میں مینگروو شجرکاری مہم کا آغاز کر دیا ہے۔ ایس ڈی پی آئی کے جاری بیان کے مطابق اس اقدام کا مقصد تباہ شدہ مینگروو جنگلات کی [more >>](#)..... □

ساحل کے ساتھ مینگروو شجرکاری کا آغاز

Source: **City Desk**, [Dunya News](#), 2026-04-23

کراچی (سٹی ڈیسک) ایس ڈی پی آئی متعدد فورمز پر موسمیاتی تبدیلی کے اثرات کو کم کرنے میں پاکستان کی وکالت کرنے میں سب سے آگے رہا ہے۔ موسمیاتی تبدیلی کی وزارت کے ساتھ تعاون کے ذریعے، اس نے ٹین بلین ٹری فارورسٹیشن پروجیکٹ سمیت [more >>](#)..... □

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Source: **APP**, [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-04-22

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Source: **APP**, [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-22

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Source: **SABAH News**, [Jasarat](#), 2026-04-23

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) کراچی کے ساحلی علاقوں میں مینگروو جنگلات کی بحالی کے لیے کارگل پاکستان اور ایس ڈی پی آئی نے مشترکہ مہم شروع کر دی ہے۔ ڈاکٹر عابد قیوم سلہری کے مطابق یہ جنگلات ساحلی کٹاؤ کو روکنے اور کاربن کریڈٹ کے [more >>](#)..... □

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Source: **Staff Reporter**, [Daily Markaz](#), 2026-04-23

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Consultative Discussions

Experts call for adopting strategies to minimise heatwave, drought risks

Source: **APP**, [Daily Times](#), 2026-04-21

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Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Daily Jang](#), 2026-04-21

اسلام آباد (اپنے نامہ نگار سے) ماہرین ماحولیات، پالیسی سازوں اور موسمیاتی سائنسدانوں نے خبردار کیا ہے کہ پاکستان میں شدید گرمی اور خشک سالی..... [more >>](#)

پاکستان میں شدید گرمی اور خشک سالی کے خطرات میں اضافہ، ماہرین نے ہنگامی اقدامات پر زور دے دیا

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-20

اسلام آباد (اردو پوائنٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 20 اپریل 2026ء) ماہرین ماحولیات، پالیسی سازوں اور موسمیاتی سائنسدانوں نے خبردار کیا ہے کہ پاکستان میں شدید گرمی اور خشک سالی جیسے بڑھتے ہوئے موسمیاتی خطرات کی زد م..... [more >>](#)

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Strengthening Heatwave Adaptation Across Pakistan

Source: [News Desk](#), [Peak Point](#), 2026-04-20

Experts at a consultation convened by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute urged immediate, locally driven heatwave adaptation to protect lives, livelihoods and Pakistan's development gains from intensifying heat and drought hazards. Zainab Naeem, Head of Ecological Sustainability and Circular Economy at SDPI, warned that global warming trends and abnormal ocean temperature rises no..... [more >>](#)

Experts for Zero-Waste pathways to cut methane, plastic emissions in Pakistan's climate plans

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ISLAMABAD, Apr 22 (APP): Experts at a consultation called for practical measures to reduce waste-sector emissions, tackle plastic pollution, and strengthen Pakistan's climate commitments under its Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs). The consultation, titled: Earth Day 2026: Waste Sector Emissions, Plastics, and NDC Pathways in Pakistan, was organized by Sustainable Development Polic..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan Advances Zero Waste and Methane Reduction

Source: [News Desk](#), [Peak Point](#), 2026-04-22

A consultation in Islamabad on 22 April 2026 brought together policy experts, researchers and civil society to push Pakistan toward practical zero waste and methane reduction pathways as part of updated Nationally Determined

Contributions. The event, organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute in partnership with the Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives Working Group, focused..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Daily Nawa e Waqt](#), 2026-04-23

اسلام آباد (خبرنگار) ماہرین نے خبردار کیا ہے کہ پاکستان میں کچرے اور پلاسٹک کا مسئلہ اب محض صفائی تک محدود نہیں رہا بلکہ یہ ایک سنگین ماحولیاتی اور موسمیاتی بحران کی شکل اختیار کر چکا ہے۔ زیرو ویسٹ پالیسیوں، بہتر ری سائیکل..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-22

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Experts seek fast-track EV transition, policy stability to shield Pakistan from energy shocks

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-04-28

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Experts at SDPI seek fast-track EV transition, policy stability to shield Pakistan from energy shocks

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Fast Track Pakistan EV Transition

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A consultation in Islamabad organized by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute urged urgent, coordinated action to electrify Pakistan's transport sector as a shield against rising geopolitical tensions and oil market volatility. Participants said an accelerated EV transition is essential to reduce the import bill and strengthen national energy security. Dr Sajid Amin Javed, Deputy Ex..... [more >>](#)

Experts urge rapid EV shift, stable policies

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Policy seek stability to shield Pakistan from energy shocks

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Dialogue News

Expert warns of worsening groundwater crisis

Source: [DNA](#), [The Express Tribune](#), [Islamabad](#), 2026-04-20

ISLAMABAD: Groundwater depletion becomes worse as it reaches dangerous levels in various parts of Pakistan because of excessive domestic, agricultural and commercial use without any strict regulation against extraction. While speaking at the second leg of a Special Talk on 'Water Resources Management in Pakistan', organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), renowned..... [more >>](#)

MoUs News

SDPI, university sign MoU to promote young talent through joint research

Source: [Bakhtawar Mian](#), [Dawn](#), [Islamabad](#), 2026-04-20

ISLAMABAD: The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and the University of Central Punjab (UCP), Lahore, have reached an understanding to promote young talent through joint research. For this purpose, a virtual Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed by Dr Sajid Amin Javed, Deputy Executive Director, SDPI, and Dr Mohammad Irfan Ali Fani of the Department of Political Science and In..... [more >>](#)

SDPI, UCP Lahore ink MoU to promote young talent through joint research

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ISLAMABAD, April 19 (SABAH): A memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed between Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and University of Central Punjab (UCP), Lahore to strengthen think tank academia collaboration for promoting young talent through joint research, academic exchange, policy engagement and capacity building initiatives. Under the MoU, both institutions will collaborate [more >>](#)

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اسلام آباد/لاہور (صبح نیوز) پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) اور یونیورسٹی آف سینٹرل پنجاب (یو سی پی) لاہور نے نوجوان ہنر مند افرادی قوت کے فروغ، اکیڈمیا اور صنعت کے درمیان خلیج کم کرنے اور مشترکہ تحقیق و پ..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-19

اسلام آباد/لاہور (آرڈو پوائنٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 19 اپریل 2026ء) پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) اور یونیورسٹی آف سینٹرل پنجاب (یو سی پی) لاہور نے نوجوان ہنر مند افرادی قوت کے فروغ، اکیڈمیا اور صنعت کے درم..... [more >>](#)

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Advancing Climate Modeling with SDPI NIDM Partnership

Source: [News Desk](#), [Peak Point](#), 2026-04-29

Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and the National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM) signed a Letter of Agreement in Islamabad on 29 April 2026 to deepen collaboration on climate modeling, disaster risk reduction and anticipatory actions aimed at strengthening national disaster management capacity through research, training and knowledge sharing. The signing ceremony at the Na..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [SABAH, SABAH News](#), 2026-04-29

اسلام آباد (صباح نیوز) پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) اور نیشنل انسٹی ٹیوٹ آف ڈیزاسٹر مینجمنٹ نے آفات کے خطرات میں کمی، موسمیاتی آفات کی پیشگوئی اور قبل از وقت اقدامات کے شعبوں میں مشترکہ تحقیق، تربیت اور..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [Staff Reporter, Dunya News](#), 2026-04-30

اسلام آباد (نامہ نگار) پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) اور نیشنل انسٹی ٹیوٹ آف ڈیزاسٹر مینجمنٹ نے آفات کے خطرات میں کمی، موسمیاتی آفات کی پیشگوئی اور قبل از وقت اقدامات کے شعبوں میں مشترکہ تحقیق، تربیت..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [APP, Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-29

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Source: [Sufyan Paracha, Daily Mudabbir](#), 2026-04-30

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Source: [Staff Reporter, Daily BBC Report](#), 2026-04-30

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Press Brief

Water expert urges Pakistan to raise IWT issue at global forums

Source: [APP/Hina Durrani, Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-04-28

ISLAMABAD, Apr 28 (APP): Senior Advisor on Water Governance at the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and prominent water expert Naseer Memon has urged Pakistan to effectively raise the issue of the Indus Waters Treaty (IWT) at international forums to highlight alleged violations and seek broader global support. He described India's actions regarding the treaty as "compl..... [more >>](#)

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Roundtable Discussion

Experts For Localized Adaptation Strategies To Minimize Heatwave & Drought Risks

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-20

ISLAMABAD, (APP - Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 20th Apr, 2026) Highlighting climate extreme events as most serious challenges in the way of macroeconomic developments, experts at a consultation stressed the need for urgent, coordinated, and locally-driven strategies to minimize intensifying heatwaves and drought risks in Pakistan. The consultation, titled: Heat and Drought Adaptation Strateg..... [more >>](#)

SDPI Articles

Deal before disruption

Source: [Ebadat Ur Rehman Babar & Nameer Urfi](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-16

In September 2025, we observed a quiet scene unfolding in Washington that, at the time, felt more symbolic than strategic. Pakistani officials placed small mineral samples on a table in front of Donald Trump. They were not oil contracts or defence agreements, but fragments of earth pulled from Balochistan and the mountainous belts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Cerium, neodymium, traces of praseodymium. [more >>](#)

The fault in our grid

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-17

The fault is not with our sun but in our electricity grid. Pakistan is not short of energy. It is short of alignment between when power is produced and when it is needed. What appears as scarcity each evening is, in truth, a design failure playing out on a daily schedule. The decision to impose approximately 2.25 hours of loadshedding during peak evening hours is not, in essence, about scarcity o..... [more >>](#)

The spring forecast coloured by war

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-18

The Middle East has entered a phase of whiplash. In a single day, expectations swing from ceasefire to escalation and back to stalemate. Markets react instantly. A single statement from the warring sides can push sentiment from risk-on to risk-off within hours. There is no global recession, at least for now. Yet the economic effects are already visible. Uncertainty has become more expensive. En..... [more >>](#)

Community-led climate adaptation

Source: [Sadia Ishrat Satti](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-19

Sea level rise is climate change in slow motion. One might ignore its advance—measured in centimetres—but it redraws shorelines, contaminates drinking water and weakens local economies. The IPCC says global mean sea level rose by 0.20 metres between 1901 and 2018, and that the pace has accelerated recently. Even with promised cuts in green..... [more >>](#)

Why Pakistan remains trapped

Source: [Atteq ur Rehman](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-20

Pakistan's economy remains caught in a familiar cycle of crisis, bailout, temporary stabilisation and renewed strain. Since 1958, the country has entered more than 20 IMF programmes, making external rescue a recurring feature of economic management rather than a path to lasting recovery. This pattern is again visible in the IMF's End-of-Mission Statement of March 2026, which places fi..... [more >>](#)

When more megawatts make things worse

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-20

In most economies, adding power capacity is a sign of progress. In Pakistan's case, it has become part of the problem. Pakistan's power sector today stands at a peculiar crossroads. Installed capacity exceeds 40,000 megawatts, while peak demand rarely crosses 30,000. Yet, evening load shedding persists. This is not a story of scarcity. It is a story of misalignment between when electr..... [more >>](#)

Let's think of preparing for 6G adoption?

Source: [Brig \(Retd\) Mohammad Yasin](#), [The Destination](#), 2026-04-20

An interesting debate is going on in the media about the adoption of 6G. Though Pakistan has positioned itself as an early adopter by opening the 6 GHz spectrum band for unlicensed use, its focus is 5G rollout in 2025-26. 6G, which is the 6th generation cellular technology, is scheduled to be adopted by 2030 by the advanced countries who are investing heavily in this technology. It is meant to pro..... [more >>](#)

کو اپنانے کی تیاری کریں 6G آئیے

Source: [Brig \(Retd\) Mohammad Yasin](#), [The Destination](#), 2026-04-20

کو اپنانے کے حوالے سے ایک دلچسپ بحث جاری ہے۔ اگرچہ پاکستان نے 6 گیگا ہرٹز اسپیکٹرم بینڈ کو بغیر لائسنس استعمال G میڈیا میں ان دنوں 6 کے لئے کھول کر خود کو ابتدائی اپنانے والے ممالک میں شامل کرنے کی کوشش کی ہے تاہم اس وقت اس کی [more >>](#)

The energy trap we keep choosing

Source: [Ubaid Ur Rehman Zia](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-24

Pakistan has been here before. A global shock – a pandemic, a regional war, oil price shocks and now a blocked strait – tightens the screws on energy supply, inflation threatens to spiral and for a brief, uncomfortable moment, the fragility of our economy built on imported fuel becomes impossible to ignore. Then the crisis passes, and so does the urgency. The question Pakistan never q..... [more >>](#)

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The deal before disruption: coincidence or calculated diplomacy?

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توانائی معیشت اور مفادات کے اُلجھے دھاگے

Source: [Abid Rasheed](#), [The Destination](#), 2026-04-25

انجینئر عبید الرحمان ضیاء نے اپنے آرٹیکل میں Mancur Olson کی کتاب The Logic of Collective Action کا حوالہ دیا۔ معروف امریکی ماہر معاشیات اور سماجی مفکر تھے جنہوں نے اجتماعی عمل (Collective Action) اور مفاداتی گروہوں (groups interest) پر اہم کام کیا..... [more >>](#)

The Rising Threat of Grey Water Cartels in Pakistan

Source: [Rana Irfan Rafi](#), [LEAD Pakistan](#), 2026-04-25

Water is the most important element for human life. Our bodies are mostly made of water, and without it, we cannot survive. However, the quality of water is just as important as the quantity. In Pakistan nowadays finding clean drinking water has become a Challenge the other hand various organisations and government are working on water project. A silent and deadly problem is growing in our backya..... [more >>](#)

Budget for resilience

Source: [Zainab Naeem](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-26

Pakistan's budget is no longer climate-blind, but it is still not climate-smart. In recent years, the country has taken important steps to integrate climate considerations into public financial management, particularly through the introduction of Climate Budget Tagging (CBT) and reforms under the IMF's Resilience and Sustainability Facility (RSF). Yet, despite this apparent progress, [more >>](#)

Political economy of power failure

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-28

There is a version of Pakistan's power sector story that reads as a financing tragedy. Billions of dollars borrowed, capacity built, tariffs indexed, guarantees issued – and the lights still went out. That version is accurate, but incomplete. The deeper story is one of institutional political economy: a systematic misapplication of development finance theory to a sector whose problems..... [more >>](#)

Two faces of Colombo: paradise and the power of nature

Source: [Summer Basharat and Sahar Basharat](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-28

Travel often changes us in quiet ways. Sometimes it happens slowly over days. Sometimes it happens the moment your feet touch new ground. For us, that moment came in Colombo, Sri Lanka, in November 2025. We had travelled for a two-week family meetup, with our departure scheduled for November 28, 2025. But what began as a family visit soon became something much more meaningful. The morning we st..... [more >>](#)

Invisible Inheritance: Will Your Digital Wealth Die with You?

Source: [Rana Irfan Rafi](#), [LEAD Pakistan](#), 2026-04-29

The concept of digital inheritance, which we can call digital wirasat in our local context, is becoming one of the most significant challenges of the twenty-first century because almost every aspect of our lives is now stored on a server or cloud somewhere. When we talk about inheritance in our society, we usually focus on physical property like houses, land, gold or the cash or bank account only, [more >>](#)

Relevant News, Analysis, and Commentary

Climate funds ignore vulnerable

Source: [Shazia Tasneem Farooqi](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-16

KARACHI: Climate finance, both globally and in Pakistan, continues to flow mainly to mitigation projects like renewable energy due to clearer financial returns, while adaptation measures such as flood defences, water

management and climate-resilient agriculture receive far less funding despite their importance for a highly climate-vulnerable country. These projects are often seen as less profitable..... [more >>](#)

China's green buildings highlight new pathway for Pakistan's energy transition

Source: [Azam Tariq](#), [Independent News Pakistan](#), 2026-04-16

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CDA urged to prioritise sustainability over infrastructure

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-18

ISLAMABAD: In a formal letter issued on April 17, 2026, a diverse group of civil society representatives called upon the newly appointed chairman of the Capital Development Authority (CDA) to shift the city's developmental focus from "brick and mortar" projects to the preservation of "flowers and butterflies". The outreach signals a growing public desire for sustaina..... [more >>](#)

Civil society urges new CDA chief to prioritise Islamabad's greenery

Source: [News Desk](#), [Pakistan Today](#), 2026-04-19

ISLAMABAD: A group of civil society representatives has written to the newly appointed chairman of the Capital Development Authority (CDA), welcoming his appointment and offering what it described as constructive engagement on the future development of the federal capital. According to the letter issued on Friday, the signatories said public sentiment had shifted and that many residents were dissa..... [more >>](#)

Steps for revival of Islamabad's greenery demanded

Source: [Jamal Shahid](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-19

ISLAMABAD: Civil society representatives in Islamabad, in a letter on Friday, have issued a formal welcome and an offer of constructive engagement to the newly appointed Chairman of the Capital Development Authority (CDA). The outreach highlighted a significant shift in public sentiment, noting that the citizenry was not happy with the approach of the outgoing administration, whose tenure was mar..... [more >>](#)

Govt urged to address 'structural flaws' in energy policy

Source: [Zaki Abbas](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-23

ISLAMABAD: With Pakistan in the throes of another energy crisis in the wake of the disruptions in the Strait of Hormuz, the federal government has been urged to address "structural flaws" in its energy policy instead of resorting to "knee-jerk" reactions to fix the problem. In a press conference held at the National Press Club, Khadim Hussain of the Alliance for Climate Ju..... [more >>](#)

Oil surge, UAE exit from OPEC+ shake global markets

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD: Global financial markets came under broad and synchronized pressure on April 28 as a sharp rise in crude oil prices, escalating geopolitical uncertainty, and the United Arab Emirates' decision to exit the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and OPEC+ triggered a widespread sell-off across global equities. Oil benchmarks surged to multi-month highs, with Brent..... [more >>](#)

The great decoupling: A dive into the UAE's exits from OPEC

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD: The announcement that the United Arab Emirates (UAE) will formally withdraw from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and OPEC+ marks one of the most significant shifts in the global energy order in decades. Effective May 1, 2026, the decision ends a 59-year membership and repositions the UAE from a cartel participant to what analysts describe as a "global free agent"&..... [more >>](#)

ISSI–PRIME roundtable warns of Middle East risks but sees economic opening for Pakistan

Source: [Shafqat Ali](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2026-04-29

ISLAMABAD - The Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI), in collaboration with the Policy Research Institute of Market Economy (PRIME), yesterday convened a high-level roundtable on April 28, 2026, warning that the ongoing Middle East crisis poses serious economic risks for Pakistan while also opening a narrow window for strategic opportunity and reform. Titled “The Middle East Cr..... [more >>](#)

Webinar News

Regular Increase in Tobacco Taxation Demanded to Reduce Cigarette Consumption

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-17

ISLAMABAD, (APP - Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 17th Apr, 2026) Health and economic policy experts have urged the government to introduce a regular increase in tobacco taxes and gradually transition to a single-tier taxation structure, as consistent fiscal measures are essential to reduce cigarette consumption and enhance public health outcomes. Speaking at a webinar titled: “Stagnant T..... [more >>](#)

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Pakistan urged to lead push for first woman UN Secretary-General

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2026-04-27

ISLAMABAD, Apr 27 (APP):In the backdrop of Pakistan’s key role in the 2026 selection process for the UN Secretary-General, experts and policy makers here on Monday called for a wide ranging transparent national strategy, institutional reforms, and global coalition-building to ensure the appointment of first-ever woman Secretary-General of the United Nations. The call was made at a webinar, [more >>](#)

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Source: APP, [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2026-04-27

اسلام آباد (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 27 اپریل 2026ء) پارلیمنٹیریئرز، پالیسی و صنفی امور کے ماہرین نے اس بات پر زور دیا ہے کہ اقوام متحدہ کی پہلی خاتون سیکرٹری جنرل کے انتخاب کے لئے سفارتی سطح پر فعال حکمت عملی اپنانے..... [more >>](#)

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