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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 Newsletter

To keep abreast of emerging issues at the national/international and local level, the SDPI brings out a Bi-Monthly E-Newsletter on
“Pakistan's Energy Transition”

It carries reference information's to the news items/comments/Op-Eds appearing in leading National/International daily newspapers.

Newspapers Covered:

• Dawn	• The News	• The Express Tribune
• The Nation	• Business Recorder	• Daily Times
• Pakistan Observer	• Pakistan Today	• Urdu Point
• China Daily		

Editor Note:

Clean energy transition is the only answer and solution to secure the sustainable future of Pakistan. There is a dire need to address the use of clean energy timely as it is not only the safest, reliable, and efficient means of energy production but will also harness the abundant indigenous energy resource available in Pakistan. Pakistan's recent policies and initiatives have strongly advocated the need for Pakistan to transition towards clean energy resources. With ARE policy aiming to achieve 30% power through hydro and 30% share of renewables in the energy mix, Electric Vehicles (EVs) policy targeting to achieve 30% share of EVs by 2030, Paris Agreement goals, and the recent moratorium of coal by Prime Minister in Climate Summit, Pakistan is taking a leap towards a green energy future.

However, the development of clean energy transition in Pakistan cannot be achieved without political leadership and need of research-based scientific evidence to help transform the conventional policy making process in Pakistan.

In this regard, Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) runs a "Clean Energy Transition Program", under which "Network for Clean Energy Transition in Pakistan: Research and Advocacy", along with the "Renewable Energy Parliamentary Caucus" have been launched and established to mobilise policies into implementation with clear goals and targets. Our work is focused on (but not limited to) building momentum by exploring the missing gaps and links for achieving Sustainable Development Goal 7 (SDG7) through a holistic approach, especially to explore ways for post-COVID green economic recovery; aligning the wider sustainability agenda with SDG7, sectoral policy reforms, renewable energy investment streams, green financing, private sector engagements, and other windows of opportunities for achieving the goal of clean energy transition in Pakistan.

Subjects Covered

- Energy and power
- Renewable energy
- Sustainability
- Energy investment, innovation, automation
- Oil and gas sector
- Transport
- Industry
- CEPC Energy projects
- Energy finance and economics
- SDPIs Events, visits, publications

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Energy Governance

Karachi industrialists announce shutdown on December 4

Source: [Aamir Shafaat Khan, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-01

KARACHI: Industrialists in the economic nerve centre of Pakistan have announced a complete production shutdown on Monday (Dec 4) to force the caretaker government to reverse the unprecedented hikes in the gas tariffs. They estimate a per day export loss of \$47 million from the port city. Businessmen have already displayed protest banners at the offices of all trade associations, demanding th..... [more >>](#)

Industry Plea

Source: [Editorial, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-02

The imminent threat of a complete production shutdown by Karachi's industrialists casts a stark light on the unprecedented surge in gas tariffs imposed by the caretaker government. This looming cessation, scheduled for December 4th, symbolises the severe economic repercussions rippling through Pakistan's economic hub. The estimated daily export loss of \$47 million underscores the subst..... [more >>](#)

Opec's cut: Not enough?

Source: [BR Research, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-04

The immediate reaction to Opec's meeting outcome has surprised many. Brent and WTI edged lower after the cartel announced substantial additional cuts up to 2.2 million barrels per day – with the cuts lasting till (at least) end of 1Q 2024. But investors were buying none of it, as Brent crude oil closed lower for the sixth straight week. Recall that the delayed meeting had raised c..... [more >>](#)

Oil and Gas Development Company Limited

Source: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-04

Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (PSX: OGDC) is the largest E&P company in the country with operations including exploration, drilling operation services, production, reservoir management, and engineering support. It has the most extensive exploration acreage in Pakistan, covering over 40 percent of the country's total acreage awarded with net hydrocarbons of oil and gas. With..... [more >>](#)

90% Sindh-Balochistan industries shut down

Source: [Gohar Ali Khan, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-05

KARACHI: Industrialists have claimed that almost 90% of industries in Karachi and other industrial zones of Sindh and Balochistan remained closed on Monday to protest against higher gas tariffs. "Almost 90% of industries in all seven industrial zones of Karachi, along with other trade bodies and industrial zones of Sindh and Balochistan, including Lasbela Chamber of Commerce and Industry (..... [more >>](#)

KfW boosts support for power transmission, health sectors of Pakistan

Source: [Imran Ali Kundi, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-05

ISLAMABAD-Ministry of Economic Affairs and KfW, the German Development Bank, solidified their partnership with the signing of agreements aimed at enhancing the capacity of Pakistan's power transmission sector and supporting the health sector, particularly in areas affected by floods. In a ceremony held in Islamabad, Mr Sebastian Jacobi, Country Director of KfW and Dr Kazim Niaz, Secretary..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan Refinery Limited

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-05

Pakistan Refinery Limited (PSX: PRL) is a hydro skimming refinery designed to process imported and local crude oil, located on the coastal belt of Karachi, Pakistan. It was incorporated in Pakistan as a public limited company in 1960. The refinery's current capacity stands approximately at 50,000 barrels per day of crude oil into petroleum products, such as furnace oil, high speed diesel, ke..... [more >>](#)

OMC sales in 5MFY24

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

The oil marketing companies have been facing weaker oil sales over the last year. Monthly petroleum sales in the country in November 2023 fell by 11 percent year-on-year. The decline is attributable to the same recurring factors: higher petroleum prices relative to those in the previous year, the economic turmoil, and decline in the demand for furnace oil due to rising reliance on coal power plants..... [more >>](#)

Mari Petroleum Company Limited

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

By operating the country's largest gas reservoir at Mari Gas Field, Daharki, Sindh, Mari Petroleum Company Limited (PSX: MARI) is the second largest producer of natural gas. Mari Petroleum is an integrated oil and gas exploration and production company and around 70 percent exploration success rate, which is much higher than industry averages of around 33 percent national and 14 percent inter..... [more >>](#)

Receivables of PSO against PIA reach Rs27.5bn

Source: [Wasim Iqbal](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-09

ISLAMABAD: The accumulated receivable of state-owned Pakistan State Oil (PSO) has reached Rs27.512 billion including late payment charges against Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) till December 7, 2023. Recently, the PSO suspended fuel supplies to the PIA over a dispute regarding unpaid dues. As a result of this standoff, the PIA was compelled to cancel domestic and international fli..... [more >>](#)

Saudi minister seeks govt's intervention for resolution of KE issue

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-11

ISLAMABAD: Saudi Minister for Investment Khalid A Al-Falih has sought intervention of caretaker Minister for Finance and Revenue Dr Shamshad Akhtar for resolution of K-Electric (KE) issue, to enable to it to continue its operations. He has made this request in a letter to follow up on his previous letter of 16 June 2022 to resolve long-standing issues with Pakistan's power utility compa..... [more >>](#)

ARL on verge of shutdown due to continues slide in petrol, HSD

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-11

ISLAMABAD-Attock Refinery Limited (ARL) has lodged a complaint with caretaker petroleum minister against Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) for its failure to protect the interest of the local refinery against the import fuel, which has resulted in a decline of up to 43 percent in the refinery sale during the previous four months. Attock Refinery Limited is on the verge of shutdown owing to..... [more >>](#)

Over Rs13 per litre cut in petrol price likely

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-15

ISLAMABAD: Prices of petrol and high-speed diesel are expected to decline up to Rs13.66 per litre effective from December 16, 2023, which is in line with the fall in international markets and appreciation of Pakistani rupee. In case the caretaker government does not allow exchange rate adjustment to Pakistan State Oil (PSO), a major importer and marketer of petroleum products, estimates suggest [more >>](#)

LESCO recovers over Rs 20m from 614 defaulters

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-02

LAHORE - The Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) in collaboration with Tehsildars (Recovery) has recovered Rs 20 million from 614 dead defaulters in all the five districts- Lahore, Sheikhpura, Nankana Sahib, Kasur and Okara- on 79th day of its recovery campaign. LESCO spokesman told media here Friday that on the 79th day, Chief Engineer O&M (T&G) Zafar Iqbal with the support of Tehsi..... [more >>](#)

Lesco says Lahore Metro Bus administration 'found involved in power theft'

Source: [APP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-04

LAHORE: The Lahore Electric Supply Company (Lesco) has found the Lahore Metro Bus administration involved in electricity theft. A LESCO spokesman told the media here on Sunday that Bhati Gate Sub-Division's inspection team found that the management of Lahore Metro Bus Service was stealing electricity as one phase of their power meter was dead, due to which the LESCO suffered a loss of m..... [more >>](#)

Lesco detects 125 power pilferers in 24 hours

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-05

LAHORE - The Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) has detected a total of 125 connections from where customers were pilfering electricity in all its circles of five districts (Lahore, Sheikhpura, Nankana Sahib, Kasur and Okara) on the 86th day of grand antipower theft campaign. The LESCO spokesman told media here Monday that the company has also submitted FIR applications against 125 electricit..... [more >>](#)

Raza Rabbani wants action against Discos overcharging consumers

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-05

PPP Senator Mian Raza Rabbani condemns alleged malpractices including overcharging by power distribution companies (Discos) and calls it a criminal activity. The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) investigation revealed widespread overcharging by the companies. Rabbani demanded that law-enforcement agencies initiate legal action against Discos. He also demanded adjustment o..... [more >>](#)

LESCO detects 305 power pilferers in a day

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-06

LAHORE - Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) has detected a total of 305 connections from where the customers were pilfering electricity in all its circles of five districts (Lahore, Sheikhpura, Nankana Sahib, Kasur and Okara) on the 87th day of grand anti-power theft campaign. The LESCO spokesman told media here Tuesday that the company has also submitted FIR applications ag..... [more >>](#)

Caretaker govt forms inquiry committee to further probe Nepra's investigation

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-07

ISLAMABAD-Instead of taking action against the power distribution companies (Discos) involved in illegal & unlawful overbilling of millions of consumers, in the light of Nepra's inquiry report, the caretaker government, while showing dissatisfaction over the findings, has constituted an inquiry committee to further probe the regulator's investigation and question members of the inq..... [more >>](#)

COP28 negotiators hopeful of compromise on fossil fuel exit

Source: [AFP](#), [The News, International](#) , 2023-12-13

DUBAI: Negotiators awaited a new draft deal on the fate of fossil fuels as UN climate talks went into overtime in Dubai on Tuesday after nations pushing for a phase-out clashed with Saudi-led oil producers. The 13-day UN COP28 conference in the glitzy metropolis built on petrodollars has debated a historic first-ever global exit from fossil fuels, the main culprits in a planetary crisis of warmin..... [more >>](#)

Hike in fuel, energy prices; Senate body says agri input cost increased by 200pc

Source: [The Newspaper's Correspondent](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-01

ISLAMABAD: With the increase in petroleum products, gas, and electricity prices, the input cost for agriculture increased by 200 percent, while fertiliser is not available at a controlled rate in the market, badly affecting the sector and the entire economy. This was observed by the Senate Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research, on Thursday, which also recommended for emerg..... [more >>](#)

India building 1,000MW hydropower project on Chenab

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2023-12-04

ISLAMABAD: India is erecting the first-ever hydropower project on Maru Sadar, the right bank tributary of Chenab River, with live dam storage of 99,000 acre-feet, having capacity to generate 1,000MW hydropower generation. However, it is pretending that it will have live storage of 88,000 acre-feet with a faulty design of spillways in sheer violation of the Indus Waters Treaty (IWT) 1960, accordin..... [more >>](#)

Alvi issues ordinance to curb power theft

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-14

ISLAMABAD: President Dr Arif Alvi on Wednesday issued the Criminal Law (Amendment) Ordinance 2023, an executive order that makes electricity theft a cognizable offense. The president issued the ordinance under Article 89 of the Constitution. The presidential decree has amended Section 462 (O) of the Pakistan Penal Code (PPC), 1860. Under the ordinance, police will be bound to file a First Inform..... [more >>](#)

APTMA seeks 1-1.4 cents/kWh wheeling charges, B2B deals

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-15

ISLAMABAD: All Pakistan Textile Mills Association (APTMA) has approached caretaker Finance Minister Dr Shamshad Akhtar for availability of electricity at wheeling charges of 1-1.4 cents/kWh and B2B contracts. In a letter to caretaker Finance Minister, APTMA referred to a report carried by Business Recorder on the formation of a special panel headed by her to deliberate on the issue of UoSC/wh..... [more >>](#)

Climate summit adopts world-first 'transition' from fossil fuels

Source: [AFP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-14

DUBAI: Nearly 200 nations meeting in Dubai on Wednesday approved a first-ever call for the world to transition away from fossil fuels, tackling the top culprit of climate change after years of avoidance although at-risk countries said far more action was needed. After 13 days of talks and several sleepless nights in a country built on oil wealth, the Emirati president of the UN-led COP28 summ..... [more >>](#)

Diesel price cut, petrol rate unchanged

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-01

ISLAMABAD: Mainly because of lower prices in the international market, the caretaker government on Thursday reduced the prices of petroleum products by about Rs4 to Rs7 per litre, except that of petrol, for the next fortnight starting Dec 1. However, it increased the price of liquefied petroleum gas for the month. In a late-night announcement, the ministry of finance said the government had decid..... [more >>](#)

Residential areas in Karachi face cooking crisis as SSGC unable to provide gas at mealtimes

Source: [Tahir Siddiqui](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-01

KARACHI: While the Sui Southern Gas Company has categorically denied having resorted to loadshedding in any part of the metropolis "from 5:30am to 10:30pm", consumers have been complaining about not getting gas even during three mealtimes, severely disrupting their daily routines, especially cooking and bathing in cold weather. Although a spokesperson for the SSGC claimed that the uti..... [more >>](#)

Integrated energy planning project: caretaker federal minister reviews progress

Source: [Naveed Butt](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-01

ISLAMABAD: The Minister of Planning, Development and Special Initiatives reviewed progress on the Integrated Energy Planning (IEP) project for sustainable development and termed it would help in tackling the energy crisis in the country. The Caretaker Minister for Planning, Development and Special Initiatives, Muhammad Sami Saeed, on Thursday, chaired a meeting to progress on the Integrated E..... [more >>](#)

LPG price raised by Rs3.83 per kg to Rs254.86 for December

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-01

ISLAMABAD-The caretaker government Thursday increased the price of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) for commercial and domestic consumers by Rs3.83 per kilogramme for the month of December mainly owing to depreciation of Pakistani rupee against the dollar. As per the notification issued by Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra), the price of LPG has been raised to Rs254.86 per kg in December from Rs..... [more >>](#)

E&P firms give poor response

Source: [Zafar Bhutta](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-02

ISLAMABAD: The government has yet again failed to woo domestic and foreign investors to inject funds into hydrocarbon blocks as a chronic circular debt and bureaucratic hurdles impeded progress on plans to ramp up Pakistan's oil and gas production. The government received poor response in a recent bidding round held to grant licences for exploration of potential hydrocarbon reserves at dif..... [more >>](#)

Govt awards 6 blocks for petroleum exploration

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-02

ISLAMABAD: Amid lukewarm response, the government on Friday declared as successful six parties/joint ventures for the award of as many exploration blocks as four other blocks did not attract any bids despite an extension in the deadline. The Petroleum Division on Friday announced that a bid committee led by Director General Petroleum Concessions (DGPC) opened bids for onshore blocks for the gra..... [more >>](#)

Coal: a losing bet

Source: [Muhammad Mustafa Amjad](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-02

IN a power sector grappling with crises and conundrums, where opinions and proposed solutions diverge, one unifying consensus emerges — the imperative for change. The status quo remains untenable, demanding a transformative shift from the current trajectory. From demand suppression and sluggish industrial growth to exorbitant tariffs, escalating project costs, capital shortages, dollar-in..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan will require \$101b for energy sector transition by 2030

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-02

ISLAMABAD-Pakistan will require \$101 billion for energy sector transition to achieve the target of overall 50 percent reduction of its projected Green House Gases (GHG) emissions by 2030. To achieve the target of overall 50 percent reduction, agreed under Paris agreement, of its projected emissions by 2030, with 15 percent from the country's own resources and 35 percent subject to provisio..... [more >>](#)

Changes to gas priority order sought

Source: [Zafar Bhutta](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-03

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's economic policymakers have suggested amendments to the gas supply priority order with the objective of according top priority to the industry, which will help boost industrialisation process in the country. In a recent meeting of the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC), its members argued that the merit order for gas supply had been distorted as the domestic sector [more >>](#)

WB VP visits Tarbela 5th Extension, Dasu Hydropower projects

Source: [APP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-03

ISLAMABAD-World Bank Vice President Martin Raiser along with a 4-member delegation visited Tarbela 5th Extension and Dasu Hydropower projects Saturday. Chairman WAPDA Eng Lt Gen (r) Sajjad Ghani and World Bank Executive Director Syed Tauqir Hussain Shah also accompanied him. World Bank is providing financial support for construction of these projects. In the first leg, the World Bank Vice Presid..... [more >>](#)

Consumers of some Discos subsidise consumers of other other Discos: experts

Source: [Hamid Waleed](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-03

LAHORE: Consumers in distribution companies like IESCO, LESCO, FESCO, GEPCO and TESCO are subsidising consumers of SEPCO, PESCO, HESCO and QESCO by paying more than their actual determined tariffs, said power sector experts. This inference was drawn on the basis of the weighted average of tariffs (WATF) across discos, which includes Energy Purchase Price (EPP), Capacity Purchase Price (CPP), [more >>](#)

Gas supply troubles

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-04

Persistent gas supply troubles in Pakistan, particularly in Karachi, have ignited widespread frustration and concern among residents and industries alike. While the Sui Southern Gas Company denies resorting to load-shedding, consumers, facing disruptions during crucial daily routines, paint a starkly different picture. Residents in localities close to SSGC infrastructure report smooth gas supply,..... [more >>](#)

Oil industry seeks pool system to offset forex losses

Source: [Tanveer Malik](#), [The News, International](#), 2023-12-03

KARACHI: The oil industry has called for the implementation of a pool system to compensate verifiable foreign exchange losses incurred by oil marketing companies (OMCs) under the existing policy for determining ex-refinery prices of petroleum products. Oil Marketing Association of Pakistan (OMAP) in a letter to Minister Energy said the existing policy for determining ex-refinery prices of petrole..... [more >>](#)

WB delegation visits Tarbela, Dasu projects VP Martin Raiser gets on-ground briefing

Source: [Yawar Hayat](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-04

HARIPUR: A delegation of the World Bank (WB), led by Vice President Martin Raiser, visited sites of the Tarbela 5th Extension and Dasu Hydropower Project on Sunday, with the two projects funded by the multilateral agency. The delegation reviewed construction work, with the project management team apprising them about the progress of work regarding the powerhouse, tail race culvert, canal and swi..... [more >>](#)

FESCO reduces 'size' of electricity bill

Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-04

FAISALABAD: On the instructions of Chairman FESCO BOD Malik Tehseen Awan, FESCO administration has reduced the size of the electricity bill by taking the first step towards smart billing. By ending the traditional system of bill distribution, the company will save Millions of rupees annually. After the approval of the Board of Directors, Faisalabad Electric Supply Company (FESCO) has started [more >>](#)

Discos: the tug-of-war is anything but respectable

Source: [Ali Khizar](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-04

The power sector circular debt is growing unabated despite successive increases in power tariffs and much-hyped theft reduction campaign by the power ministry. The tariffs, meanwhile, are likely to keep on increasing. The private sector is demanding direct power wheeling, but the government is asking too many charges to cover stranded cost and cross subsidy. The government is desperate to sho..... [more >>](#)

Power firms bleeding users dry through inflated bills

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-05

ISLAMABAD: In one of the most damning indictments of malpractices and over-billing in the provision of electricity, the country's power distribution companies have been accused of fleecing customers and overcharging them as much as 100pc. In a comprehensive inquiry, the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has found that distribution companies across the country, without e..... [more >>](#)

Ogra striving to regulate growing LPG market

Source: [Aamir Shafaat Khan, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-05

KARACHI: The demand for liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) will surge to 15,000 tonnes a day in coming years from the current 4,500-5,000 tonnes as this is the only sector which has shown robust growth. Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) Chairman Masroor Khan said that two to three years back, LPG demand was 2,500 tonnes per day. Addressing a press conference along with LPG stakeholders and lead..... [more >>](#)

NEPRA report exposes overbilling scandal Discos, KE fleeced consumers, says power regulator

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-05

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has exposed the "controversial power theft drive" of the power distribution companies (Discos), defrauding millions of consumers of billions of rupees through excessive billing by engaging in malpractices. In an inquiry report released on Monday, the power regulator regretted that the distribution companies were inte..... [more >>](#)

Overbilling in violation of Nepra Act; All Discos including KE to face legal proceedings

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-05

ISLAMABAD: While accusing Discos and K-Electric of massive overbilling to hide their inefficiencies, the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) has decided to initiate legal proceedings against all Distribution Companies including KEL under NEPRA Fine Regulations, 2021 for violation of the provisions of NEPRA Act. The Authority took very serious notice of the complaints reported..... [more >>](#)

WPI: Gas prices take charge

Source: [BR Research, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-05

Having gone down last month, the Wholesale Price Index (WPI) is back with another month-on-month increase – registering 1.4 percent increase in November 2023 over last month. On year-on-year basis, WPI inched up to 26.4 percent – highest in seven months. On fiscal year-to-date basis, it averages 25 percent – significantly down from the average same period last year at 35.6 percen..... [more >>](#)

Issues related to KE; Al-Jomaih shares its 'ordeal' with PM, petroleum minister

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-05

ISLAMABAD: Saudi company M/s Al-Jomaih has reportedly shared its ordeal with caretaker Prime Minister Anwar ul Haq Kakar and caretaker Minister for Power and Petroleum, Muhammad Ali with respect to issues of K-Electric, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. According to an official statement from Power Division, caretaker Prime Minister, along with caretaker Minister for Power and Pet..... [more >>](#)

LPG sector offers investment opportunities to investors: Chairman

Source: [Muhammad Shafa, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-05

KARACHI: Chairman Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) Masroor Khan on Monday said that Pakistan's Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) sector has witnessed exponential growth in the recent years, and offering potential investment opportunities for the local investors including a quarter billion USD in establishment of refrigerant terminals in Karachi. Talking to LPG stakeholders during his..... [more >>](#)

Expiry of initial PPA likely in 2028; LDPL approaches Nepra for inclusion in IGCEP for another 10-15 years

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-05

ISLAMABAD: Liberty Daharki Power Limited (LDPL) has approached National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) for its inclusion of another 10 to 15 years in the IGCEP after the expiry of its initial PPA expected in 2028. Liberty Daharki Power Limited (Formerly TNB Liberty Power Limited) (LDPL) was incorporated on 21 August 1995 under the Companies Ordinance 1984, to design, construct, f..... [more >>](#)

Capacity charges stand at massive Rs2.3tr

Source: [Mehtab Haider, The News, International](#), 2023-12-05

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's crippling power sector is faced with persistent difficulties on account of capacity charges of Rs2.3 trillion, increased reliance on foreign-funded and uncompetitive imported fuel, and inflated billings of Rs100 billion from voiceless consumers. "The capacity charges of Rs2.3 trillion, mainly because of the depreciated exchange rate, have become one of the major [more >>](#)

Lawmakers push for oil sector investment in skills, entrepreneurship for economic self-reliance

Source: [Israr Khan, The News, International](#), 2023-12-06

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's oil and gas companies should invest more in skill development and entrepreneurship initiatives to help the country achieve self-reliance and economic growth, a parliamentary panel said on Tuesday. Oil and gas companies have a crucial role to play in the development and prosperity of the country. By investing in skill development and supporting entrepreneurship initiati..... [more >>](#)

Oil sales rise 9pc in November on lower prices, higher demand

Source: [Our Correspondent, The News, International](#), 2023-12-05

KARACHI: Oil sales rose 9 percent month-on-month in November, boosted by lower petrol and diesel prices and higher demand for furnace oil due to gas shortages and lower hydropower generation, data from the oil marketing companies showed on Monday. The country recorded sales of 1.4 million tonnes of petroleum products in November, up from 1.28 million tonnes in October, according to the data. Exc..... [more >>](#)

Abject failure

Source: [Editorial, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

THE scale of regulatory failure in the country's power sector is nothing short of catastrophic. According to an inquiry conducted by the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority, every power distribution company operating in the country illegally overcharged citizens in the months of July and August this year — the two months when the sharp, sudden increase in the electricity tariff..... [more >>](#)

Tariff hike for October notified

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Tuesday notified an additional fuel cost adjustment (FCA) of Rs3.08 per unit for consumers of ex-Wapda distribution companies (Discos) with a net financial impact of about Rs28.5 billion for electricity consumed in October. According to Nepra's notification, the adjustment will apply to all the consumer categories exce..... [more >>](#)

Govt freezes monetised cost of free units of electricity

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

ISLAMABAD: The power division has notified a freeze on monetised cost of free electricity units to all the senior employees of power companies and the Water and Power Development Authority (Wapda) at the existing level for future. In a notification issued here on Tuesday, the power division said the federal cabinet had approved monetisation of free electricity units admissible to t..... [more >>](#)

Gas, electricity consumers soon will face more bill shock

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

ISLAMABAD - There is no respite for the already inflation-hit consumers of gas and electricity as the government is set to slap another major increase in natural gas tariffs while ex-Wapda Discos (XWDiscos) have imposed another Rs3.08 per unit raise in their October bills on account of monthly fuel charges adjustments. The state owned Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Limited (SNGPL) has sought again t..... [more >>](#)

SNGPL proposes abnormal hike in security deposit of domestic consumers

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-07

ISLAMABAD-The security deposit for domestic gas consumers using natural gas/RLNG is likely to reach to up to Rs50000 as Sui Northern Gas Company Limited (SNGPL) has proposed an abnormal hike in the security deposit of its consumers. As per the petition submitted with the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority, SNGPL has sought increase in security deposit for the domestic consumers using RLNG above 1..... [more >>](#)

FCA mechanism; Discos' tariff for Oct raised by Rs3 per unit

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) has increased tariff of power Distribution Companies (Discos) by Rs 3 per unit for October 2023 to recover Rs 32 billion from consumers under monthly Fuel Charges Adjustment (FCA) mechanism. The Authority conducted the hearing in the matter on November 29, 2023, wherein the data submitted by the CPPA-G came under scrutiny. [more >>](#)

Commercial operation date; Nepra likely to grant Zorlu 4-month extension

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

ISLAMABAD: National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Tuesday hinted at granting extension for four months in Commercial Operation Date (COD) to Turkish power firm M/s Zorlu Enerji along with same tariff approved previously as the company has only one issue with CCPA-G, i.e., interpretation of word "degradation". Asian Development Bank's Senior Investment Office..... [more >>](#)

Minister reviews power sector progress

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Minister for Planning, Development and Special Initiatives Muhammad Sami Saeed, on Tuesday, chaired a meeting to review the progress of the power sector of the ministry. The chief energy section gave a detailed briefing on current statistics, prevalent policies and new initiatives of the power sector. The power section of the Planning Ministry is assigned the tasks o..... [more >>](#)

Strike against surge in gas prices; KATI says concerned at govt's 'lack of empathy'

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

KARACHI: In the wake of a nationwide protest and strike by industrialists and the export industry following a surge in gas prices, Faraz-ur-Rehman, President of the Korangi Association of Trade and Industry (KATI), expressed deep concern over the government's perceived lack of empathy and responsiveness to the mounting challenges faced by the industrial sector. Over 3,000 industries par..... [more >>](#)

Insoluble dilemma of power forecasts?

Source: [Asim Javed](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

As the NTDC (National Transmission and Dispatch Company) and Power Division are progressing with the next IGCEP (Indicative Generation Capacity Expansion Plan) iteration, they acknowledged the invalidity of the previous demand forecasts (used in IGCEP 2022-31) before Nepra (National Electric Power Regulatory Authority). While revisions are essential, the impact on project selection is significant..... [more >>](#)

Asian power generation gets cleaner, even as coal emissions rise

Source: [Sudarshan Varadhan, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

Asia boosted clean electricity output and slashed its share of fossil fuels faster than North America and Europe from 2015, data shows, underscoring resistance by Asian nations to a western push to choke private financing for coal-fired power. There is wide agreement that increasing clean power, such as wind and solar, is central to curbing carbon emissions to fight climate change. On Saturda..... [more >>](#)

SNGPL seeks 137pc increase in prescribed gas price

Source: [Wasim Iqbal, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-07

ISLAMABAD: The Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Limited (SNGPL) has sought an increase in prescribed/cost of gas price by Rs506.35 per mmbtu (41 per cent) to Rs1,762.83 from Rs1,246.49 per mmbtu for estimated revenue requirement for fiscal year 2023-24. The petitioner has asked for 137 per cent increase in the prescribed price to recover shortfall of previous years to Rs2,961.98 per mmbtu and Rs293..... [more >>](#)

Panel to probe Nepra report on over-billing

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-07

ISLAMABAD: Perturbed over the power regulator's inquiry indicting distribution companies (Discos) of malpractices and over-billing in the provision of electricity, the Power Division on Wednesday constituted another 'independent and impartial committee' to probe the findings and legalities of the Nepra report. The inquiry committee, constituted by the Power D..... [more >>](#)

Sui Southern Gas Company subsidiary to go public

Source: [Kazim Alam, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-07

KARACHI: Sui Southern Gas Company Ltd (SSGC) said on Wednesday it's going to convert SSGC LPG Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary, into a public limited firm by offering its shares to the general public. The government-owned gas distribution company said it'll initiate the process for the "issuance of 33.3 million shares" of the converted company by means of an initial public o..... [more >>](#)

Finance ministry opposes new power sector management proposal

Source: [Shahbaz Rana, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-07

ISLAMABAD: The finance ministry has not supported an official proposal to appoint senior armed forces officers as heads of new Performance Management Units (PMUs) in the rotten power distribution companies to improve their management. But the finance ministry backed the original decision of the Special Investment Facilitation Council (SIFC) to give a role to the armed forces in an ongoing anti-e..... [more >>](#)

SSGC plans IPO for LPG subsidiary

Source: [Salman Siddiqui, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-07

KARACHI: Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) has announced plans to list its subsidiary, SSGC LPG, on the Pakistan Stock Exchange (PSX) in the future. This move aims to facilitate new financing for ongoing and upcoming projects by offering shares to the general public. In a notification to the PSX, the gas utility firm stated that the board of directors of Sui Southern Gas Company Limited (SSGCL) ha..... [more >>](#)

Punjab govt decides to restore LNG supply to CNG stations

Source: [Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-07

LAHORE - The government has decided to restore the supply of LNG to CNG stations across the Punjab province. The SNGPL, on its official social media account, has asked the owners of CNG stations to urgently reach out to the concerned regional offices of Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited. This development is a significant boost for the CNG industry and reflects the government'..... [more >>](#)

Power sector; Nepra backs transition from Libor to 'SOFR'

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-07

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) has supported indiscriminate transition from USD London Interbank Offer Rate (Libor) to Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) in the power sector, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. However, Chinese sponsors including their lenders maintain that due to various reasons including registration process, they are only..... [more >>](#)

Discos' horror show

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-07

Another exercise of clearing the energy sector circular debt stock via dividends, Sukuks or direct cash transfer is never too distant in Pakistan. Why the circular debt keeps coming back does not seem too concerning for the policymakers. There is always a way to clear the stock. Hopes were built around the recent price rationalization exercise to take care of the circular debt. Price rationali..... [more >>](#)

Hub Power Company Limited

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-07

The Hub Power Company Limited (PSX: HUBC) is the first and largest Independent Power Producer (IPP) in the country with a combined installed power generation capacity of 3,581 MW. The base plant - Hub Plant, is a RFO fired thermal power plant, which supplies electricity to the national grid. The Narowal Plant is also an RFO-fired, engine based, combined cycle power station. HUBC also holds 75 perc..... [more >>](#)

Power sector management proposal opposed

Source: [Shahbaz Rana](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-08

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Conversion of pla3; JPCL CEO asks PD to take informed decision to Thar coal

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-08

ISLAMABAD: Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Jamshoro Power Company Limited (JPCL) has asked Power Division to take informed decision on conversion of plant from imported coal to Thar coal with specific consideration on environmental impacts, and financial close of the conversion option. CEO, JPCL, Tanzil Rahim, in a letter to Power Division stated that he has been directed and authorized by Boa..... [more >>](#)

LSG Hydro Power Project; Nepra weighs up grant of concurrence application filed by Korean co

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-08

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) conducted a public hearing to deliberate the grant of concurrence application submitted by Korean firm M/s LSG Hydro Power Limited. The company is seeking NEPRA's approval for the concurrence and compliance of technical standards for the Lower Spat Gah Hydro Power Project, along with proposing the determination of the p..... [more >>](#)

CNG stations reopen in Punjab

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-09

LAHORE - The Sui Northern Gas Pipelines (SNGPL) Friday restored gas supplies to CNG stations across Punjab and invited applications for renovation of stations. CNG Association welcomed gas revival for the CNG sector. The CNG Association Chairman said there are three thousand CNG stations in Punjab. "In Punjab, 37 lakh vehicles were on CNG," Ghiyas Pracha added that the business of the [more >>](#)

PAEC seeks nod for 1200MW Chashma Nuclear Power Plant Unit-5

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-09

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission (PAEC) has sought the National Power Regulatory Authority's approval for the grant of Generation Licence for its proposed 1200 MW Chashma Nuclear Power Plant Unit-5 (C-5). The PAEC has submitted an application with Nepra for grant of Generation Licence for its proposed Chashma Nuclear Power Plant Units-S- (C-S). The Authority has cons..... [more >>](#)

OGDCL discovers gas, condensate in Sindh

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-09

ISLAMABAD-The Oil & Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL) has successfully discovered gas and condensate at Dars West Well #02, located in the Tando Allah Yar district of Sindh province. The exploratory efforts at Dars West Well #02, part of the Dars West Development and Production Lease Joint Venture, were led by OGDCL as the operator with a 77.5% stake, and GHPL holding a 22.5% carried i..... [more >>](#)

700.7MW hydel power project; Chinese co urges PPIB to grant extension in financial close

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-10

ISLAMABAD: Chinese company, Azad Pattan Power, Pvt Limited (APPL) which is establishing 700.7 MW hydel power project, has urged Private Power & Infrastructure PPIB (PPIB) to grant extension in financial close till December 31, 2024 as the project is of strategic nature. In a letter to Managing Director, PPIB, Shah Jahan Mirza, APPL's Chief Executive Officer, Wang Xiaoming referred t..... [more >>](#)

Nepra seeks urgent fees, more penalties on consumers

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-11

ISLAMABAD: The revised consumer service manual unveiled by the power regulator Nepra introduces additional charges and stringent measures for electricity consumers, including a 14 per cent interest rate on bill instalments and an 'urgent fee' for priority connections. The proposed regulations — set to be discussed at a public hearing on Dec 19 before implementation &..... [more >>](#)

Security of energy supplies

Source: [Muhammad Arif](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-11

Ensuring reliable and uninterrupted access to energy resources, including electricity, oil, and gas, is critical for the energy security of any country. In Pakistan, this issue is complex and involves various factors. Pakistan's vulnerability is evident from its dependence on imported petroleum products (80 per cent of local consumption), natural gas (30pc of local consumption), and LPG sup..... [more >>](#)

Biogas from fodder (Napier) grass Elephant grass production has begun recently, but it is being used for fodder

Source: [Syed Akhtar Ali](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-11

ISLAMABAD: We are passing through difficult times in terms of energy supply and prices. Energy supply is decreasing and international energy prices are increasing. It has become vital for us to look for and discover as many energy resources as possible. Also climate change issues are requiring the development of renewable energy sources and curtailment of the use of fossil energy sources. Addit..... [more >>](#)

Lols for hydropower projects; KP seeks provinces' say in PPIB WG

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-11

ISLAMABAD: Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK) government has urged the federal government to give membership to provincial governments in PPIB Working Group (WG), which scrutinised Letters of Interest (Lols) for hydropower projects in the past. Federal Government recently slapped a ban on issuance of Lols to hydropower projects with immediate effect and till issuance of guidelines for future, besides s..... [more >>](#)

Gas tariffs: Did the PBS get it wrong again?

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-11

November 2023 inflation numbers took many by surprise, as the impact of changes in piped gas price for domestic consumers was deemed to be significantly higher than what a lot of observers had expected it to be. While the analyst community had underestimated the impact, largely owing to confusion over treatment of fixed charges, the PBS has undoubtedly come up with an inexplicably high number, tha..... [more >>](#)

Diamer-Bhasha Dam project; Wapda chief reviews river diversion system

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-11

LAHORE: Chairman Wapda Engr Lt Gen Sajjad Ghani (Retd) visited Diamer- Bhasha Dam Project on Sunday to review the river diversion system, which is operational since last week after partial diversion of River Indus at Diamer Basha Dam Project site. The diversion system consists of about one Kilometre-long diversion tunnel, 0.857 Km-long diversion canal and two coffer (starter) dams – one..... [more >>](#)

Discos gain some notoriety in the press

Source: [Editorial](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-11

A few days back, the power ministry exposed various Discos for overbilling during the last summer. This is based on a hurriedly conducted and released Nepra (National Electric Power Regulatory Authority) inquiry report on excessive billing by Discos during July and August 2023. Shouldn't the power ministry be blamed for overbilling, as essentially they operate under it? The government does n..... [more >>](#)

Gas consumers unable to attend Ogra hearing

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-11

ISLAMABAD-Almost 99 percent of the Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Limited (SNGPL) consumers will be unable to participate in the hearing, arranged by the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA), for 138 percent hike in gas prescribed tariff, owing to its venue and no online access to domestic consumers. OGRA will be holding hearing today (Monday) on Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Limited petition for aro..... [more >>](#)

Mari drills third horizontal well in Daharki

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-12

KARACHI: Mari Petroleum Company Ltd has successfully drilled a third horizontal development well, which has been tested at the rate of around 17 million standard cubic feet per day (mmscf) of gas. As opposed to a vertical well that's drilled downwards, a horizontal one is drilled off a vertical borehole at an angle of at least 80 degrees. Mari-124H is located within Habib Rahi Limestone R..... [more >>](#)

Lesco recovers over Rs 5.3m from 317 defaulters in 24 hours

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-12

LAHORE - Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) in collaboration with Tehsildars (Recovery) has recovered Rs 5.3 million from 317 dead defaulters in all the five districts - Lahore, Sheikhpura, Nankana Sahib, Kasur and Okara - on the 88th day of its recovery campaign. LESCO spokesman told media here Monday that on the 88th day, Chief Engineer O&M (T&G) Zafar Iqbal with the support of Teh..... [more >>](#)

Electric Dilemma

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-12

The recent unveiling of the revised consumer service manual by power regulator Nepra, has sparked concerns amid an existing surplus in capacity and a notable downturn in electricity consumption. These concerns arise from the

imposition of new charges and stringent measures on consumers. As Pakistan grapples with decreased electricity demand and a surplus in capacity, these regulations may exacerbate..... [more >>](#)

Petroleum prices likely to be slashed by over Rs10

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-14

ISLAMABAD: The prices of major petroleum products — petrol and high-speed diesel (HSD) — are set to fall by over Rs10 per litre each on Dec 15 for the next fortnight mainly because of a decline in the international market. Informed officials said the international prices of both HSD and petrol had declined over the past fortnight by almost 5pc while the rupee had also gained marginally..... [more >>](#)

Karachiites to pay Rs1.72 more for two FY23 quarters

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-14

ISLAMABAD: Under the instructions of the Power Division, the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has called a public hearing on Dec 20 to rubber stamp the application of Rs1.72 per unit additional cost to consumers of K-Electric on account of two quarterly tariff adjustments (QTAs) for last fiscal year i.e. second and third quarter of FY23. The Power Division had asked Nepra to..... [more >>](#)

\$2bn Thar power plant achieves financial close

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-14

ISLAMABAD: The Private Power and Infrastructure Board (PPIB) — a one-window facility of the federal government — on Wednesday announced the \$2 billion financial closing of the country's largest Thar coal-fired power project, currently operational at Thar, by Shanghai Electric Corporation, China. In a statement, the PPIB said the financial close agreement was signed by PPIB Manag..... [more >>](#)

Ordinance making power theft cognisable offence promulgated

Source: [Syed Irfan Raza](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-14

ISLAMABAD: President Arif Alvi on Wednesday promulgated an ordinance making stealing of electricity a cognisable offence and empowering power distribution companies to get the people involved in power theft arrested. According to the Presidency, the president through the Criminal Law Amendment Ordinance, 2023, amended the Section 462 (O) of the Pakistan Penal Co..... [more >>](#)

Discos dispute Nepra report on overbilling

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-13

ISLAMABAD: The electricity distribution companies (Discos) operating under the Power Division on Tuesday conceded billing discrepancies highlighted by the power regulator Nepra in a recent inquiry report but downplayed the extent of the wrongdoings happening to consumers and attributed its veracity to the natural, human and technical factors. The "initial response" released by the P..... [more >>](#)

Gas tariff increase fails to cut Pakistan's Rs2.8 trillion circular debt pile

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2023-12-14

ISLAMABAD: The gas sector circular debt crisis, which affects key state-run entities such as PSO, SSGC, SNGPL, and OGDCL, is unlikely to ease despite a recent hike in gas tariffs, a senior official said on Wednesday. Abdul Rasheed Jokhio, Director General (Gas) of the Petroleum Division, told a parliamentary panel that the tariff adjustment, aimed at stabilising the circular debt, would only keep..... [more >>](#)

OGRA steps in to ease Attock Refinery's inventory crisis

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2023-12-14

ISLAMABAD: The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) has asked oil marketing companies (OMCs) to increase the lifting of petrol and diesel from Attock Refinery Ltd (ARL) to ease its stock crisis, officials said on Wednesday. ARL, the country's oldest refinery, shut down two of its crude distillation units on Dec. 11, reducing its throughput to 60 percent of its capacity, due to high invento..... [more >>](#)

Attock Refinery shuts two crude distillation units

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-13

KARACHI: Attock Refinery Ltd has shut down two of its crude distillation units temporarily to manage refinery operations, the company said in a stock exchange filing on Tuesday. The refinery, which has a nameplate capacity of 53,400 barrels per day, said it'd be operating at a throughput of about 60 per cent going forward because the despatch pattern of petrol and diesel for the current m..... [more >>](#)

Gas circular debt set to soar by Rs275b

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-14

ISLAMABAD: A senate committee on Wednesday was warned that the circular debt of the gas sector would increase by Rs275 billion if its prices were not increased. During a meeting of the Senate Standing Committee on Petroleum, chaired by Senator Mohammad Abdul Qadir, the director general (gas) said the sector had suffered shortfall of Rs65 billion in July this year because the prices were not rais..... [more >>](#)

LESCO detects 289 power pilferers

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-14

LAHORE - The Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) detected a total of 289 connections from where the customers were pilfering electricity in all its circles of five districts (Lahore, Sheikhpura, Nankana Sahib, Kasur and Okara) on the 95th day of grand anti-power theft campaign. A LESCO spokesman told the media here Wednesday that the company had also submitted FIR applications against 289 el..... [more >>](#)

Rs950b additional collection through gas tariff hike won't help cut circular debt

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-14

ISLAMABAD-A Senate panel on petroleum was Wednesday informed that an additional Rs 950 billion will be collected through recent gas tariff hike, however it will not help reducing the oil and gas sector circular debt, which currently stands at Rs2800 billion. A meeting of Senate Standing Committee on Petroleum held here with Senator Mohammad Abdul Qadir in chair has noted that despite getting gas..... [more >>](#)

1320MW Thar coal-fired power project achieves financial close

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-14

ISLAMABAD-The country's largest 1320MW Thar coal-fired power project, a China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) portfolio project, has achieved Financial Close, following China Export and Credit Insurance Corporation — Sinosure has agreed for the much awaited insurance coverage . Private Power and Infrastructure Board (PPIB) has announced the financial closing of country's larg..... [more >>](#)

Special panel formed to resolve issue of wheeling charges

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-14

ISLAMABAD: The Cabinet Committee on Energy (CCoE) has constituted a special panel headed by caretaker Finance Minister Dr Shamshad Akhtar, to deliberate on the issue of wheeling charges in a holistic manner and suggest viable way forward as the scheme might hit snags in case tariff/ wheeling issue was not resolved, official sources told Business Recorder. Sharing the details, sources said, Po..... [more >>](#)

Petroleum Division briefs Senate; Ogra law amendment has helped govt collect Rs250bn more revenue

Source: [Wasim Iqbal, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-15

ISLAMABAD: The amendment in the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) Ordinance, 2002 on March 3, 2022, paved the way for the caretaker government to collect Rs250 billion above the estimated revenue requirements of Rs700 billion through gas companies -Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Ltd (SNGPL) and Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) for fiscal year 2023-24. The Senate standing committee on petroleu..... [more >>](#)

Power plants; Delay in clearance of Rs55bn dues jeopardises operations: SECMC

Source: [Muhammad Shafa, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-14

KARACHI: The delay in clearing the outstanding balance of Rs 55 billion by power plants to Sindh Engro Coal Mining Company Limited (SECMC) has cast a shadow over the company's mine operations, causing severe cash flow issues, according to SECMC. "If the mine operations halt, the government will have to import the coal worth \$ 50 million every month." In a letter to Secr..... [more >>](#)

Oil policy deadline; CCoE grants oil refineries 60-day extension

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-13

ISLAMABAD: The Cabinet Committee on Energy (CCoE) has granted a 60-day extension to oil refineries to meet the deadline given in the Pakistan Oil Refining Policy as refineries have raised many issues which were not properly taken care of in the policy, sources close to Minister for Petroleum and Power told Business Recorder. Sharing the details, sources said, Petroleum Division recently brief..... [more >>](#)

Higher tariffs cause power consumption decline: APTMA

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-13

ISLAMABAD: Electricity consumption of textile sector in the jurisdictions of Lahore Electric Supply Company (Lesco) and Multan Electric Power Company (Mepco) has declined massively due to higher tariffs and withdrawal of concessional tariffs. In a letter to Minister for Power, Muhammad Ali, All Pakistan Textile Mills Association (Aptma), has stated that following the withdrawal of regionally [more >>](#)

SSGC again seeks 15.38pc hike in gas tariff

Source: [Our Correspondent, The News, International](#), 2023-12-13

ISLAMABAD: In a bid to offset the rising costs of gas and other components, the Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) has once again sought 15.38 percent increase amounting to Rs226.18 per MMBtu in average prescribed gas prices for the on-going fiscal year. In its petition filed with Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra), SSGC has urged the revision of the rate from the existing Rs1,470.21/MMBtu to R..... [more >>](#)

Uninterrupted gas supply to fertiliser plants promised

Source: [Our Correspondent, The News, International](#), 2023-12-13

ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Minister for Petroleum Muhammad Ali said on Tuesday that the government was committed to ensuring uninterrupted gas supply to all fertilizer plants during the current winter season to maximize fertilizer production. Addressing a presser along with Minister for Information and Broadcasting Murtaza Solangi and Minister for Interior Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti, the petroleum minister s..... [more >>](#)

K-P targets 1,000MW electricity

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-15

PESHAWAR: Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa's Secretary of Energy and Power, Nisar Ahmad Khan, has underscored the urgency of addressing issues with the federation in the province's energy sector. Emphasizing the importance of high-level engagement, he highlighted that ongoing power projects nearing completion will significantly contribute to the province's economic stability and industrial d..... [more >>](#)

Govt-KE draft agreements need revision: Nepra

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-15

ISLAMABAD: National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has proposed revision in draft agreements between the Government of Pakistan (GoP) and K-Electric to align with the provisions of amended Nepra Act 2018, National Electric Policy 2021 (NE Policy), National Electricity Plan 2023 (NE Plan), new Market Commercial Code 2022(MCC) of CPPA as Market Operator, new Grid Code 2023 of NTDC as Sy..... [more >>](#)

'ARL does not exclusively supply petroleum products to APL'

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-15

ISLAMABAD: Attock Refinery Limited (ARL) does not exclusively supply petroleum products to Attock Petroleum Limited (APL) the refinery serves several oil marketing companies (OMCs). Contrary to any insinuations in the circulated information, APL's overall upliftment aligns with the allocation from ARL throughout the year, said a statement. A news attributed to the Federal Minister [more >>](#)

Dilemmas: oil and gas policies

Source: [Sajid Mehmood Qazi](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-15

Introduction: In the intricate interplay between energy policy and national security, Pakistan finds itself ensnared in the repercussions of short-sighted decisions within the oil and gas sector. Designed as the linchpin of economic and territorial security, some of these hastily crafted policies have birthed inefficiency and the mindless depletion of public resources. This article reviews Pa..... [more >>](#)

Burshane LPG (Pakistan) Limited

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-15

Burshane LPG (Pakistan) Limited (PSX: BPL) was incorporated in Pakistan as a limited liability company. The company is engaged in the storing, marketing and trading of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) throughout Pakistan and trading of low pressure regulators (LPR). Pattern of Shareholding As of June 30, 2023, BPL has a total of 22.489 million shares outstanding which are held by 1228 share..... [more >>](#)

Fuel Relief

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-15

The recent announcement by the federal government regarding a considerable reduction in the prices of major petroleum products, particularly petrol and high-speed diesel (HSD), is undoubtedly a welcomed relief for the citizens of Pakistan. The decline, with petrol seeing a decrease of Rs. 2.04 per litre and HSD witnessing a substantial Rs. 6.47 reduction, is a positive development set to ease the [more >>](#)

SNGPL disconnects 158 connections, imposes Rs 14.7m fine

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-15

LAHORE - The Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) executed a series of targeted raids in Punjab, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and Islamabad, resulting in the disconnection of 158 illicit gas connections. Simultaneously, 649 cases of under billing were meticulously processed, and fines totaling Rs 14.7 million were levied. According to a spokesman for the company, Lahore team disco..... [more >>](#)

Lesco detects 269 power pilferers

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LAHORE - The Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) detected a total of 269 connections from where consumers were pilfering electricity in all its circles of five districts -- Lahore, Sheikhpura, Nankana Sahib, Kasur and Okara -- on the 96th day of grand anti-power theft campaign. A LESCO spokesman told the media on Thursday that the company had also submitted FIR applica..... [more >>](#)

Northern Pakistan to face fuel supply crisis as Ogra warns of ARL shutdown

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-15

ISLAMABAD-Northern part of country may face a disruption in supply of Petrol, High Speed Diesel and reduce gas supply from wells due to reduction of production or complete shutdown of the Attock Refinery Limited (ARL), warned Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA). The closure of ARL, which is mostly using local crude oil from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Potohar region, will result in low crude oil pr..... [more >>](#)

Chinese firm to buy 30% stake in PRL

Source: [Zafar Bhutta](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-07

ISLAMABAD: State-run oil marketing company Pakistan State Oil (PSO) has agreed to sell its over 30% shareholding in Pakistan Refinery Limited (PRL) to a Chinese firm in a bid to attract an investment of \$1.5 billion to double the refining capacity. PRL, in which PSO is a major shareholder with a 63.6% stake, has inked an agreement with the United Energy Group (UEG) of China to embark on a tran..... [more >>](#)

FTO asks FBR to review ED regime

Source: [Sohail Sarfaz](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-01

ISLAMABAD: Federal Tax Ombudsman (FTO) has directed the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) to review whole regime of Electricity Duty (ED) and taxes calculated on electricity bills with the help of Punjab Energy Department to provide relief to consumers and taxpayers. In this regard, the FTO has issued directions to the FBR here on Thursday. "All consumers/ taxpayers are being burdened..... [more >>](#)

Massive hike in gas prices pushes inflation to 29.2 percent in Nov

Source: [Imran Ali Kundi](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-02

ISLAMABAD-Inflation has accelerated to 29.2 percent in November this year following massive increase in gas prices. Inflation measured through consumer price indicator (CPI) was recorded at 26.8 percent in October. However, it has once again surged to 29.2 percent in the previous month of November this year after the gas prices increased, according to the latest data of Pakistan Bureau of Statist..... [more >>](#)

Renewable Energy

Anti-electricity theft, recovery drive a flop?

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-06

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's power sector circular debt stock crossed Rs 2.6 trillion by October 31, 2023, showing 13 percent or Rs 75.25 billion per month growth in its flow as anti-theft and recovery drive failed to give results as per expectations. According to sources, circular debt stock touched Rs 2.310 trillion at the end of FY 2022-23, with has now reached Rs 2.611 trillion during July..... [more >>](#)

Induction of 180 solar-powered buses into Karachi's BRT system planned

Source: [APP](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-09

KARACHI: The Sindh government has decided to induct 180 electric buses, powered by solar energy, into the bus rapid transit (BRT) system in order to provide cleaner and efficient transport to public and end the operational subsidy on fuel. The decision was taken in a meeting between caretaker Sindh Chief Minister retired Justice Maqbool Baqar and an Asian Development Bank (ADB) delegation here [more >>](#)

Solar panel, allied equipment manufacturing; Govt decides to identify, plug policy gaps

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-02

ISLAMABAD: An inter-ministerial meeting has decided to convene a meeting with local manufacturers of solar panels, glass, inverters, etc., to identify the policy gaps in Solar Panel and Allied Equipment Manufacturing Policy 2023 and

prepare the roadmap for its implementation. The meeting presided over by Joint Secretary (LED), Ministry of Industries and Production was attended by representati..... [more >>](#)

Call for cleaner energy transition Experts highlight role of cost-effective alternatives to counter climate change

Source: APP, [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-04

ISLAMABAD: Energy experts have emphasised the urgent need for an energy transition in the country to combat climate change and achieve sustainable development. The consensus among experts at a moot held on Sunday was that Pakistan must address challenges in the energy sector by exploring cost-effective and alternative energy resources. They were speaking at a conference organised by the caretak..... [more >>](#)

Quetta to create energy from waste

Source: APP, [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-11

QUETTA: On the direction of Balochistan Chief Minister Ali Mardan Khan Domki, the drawing board work has been started to establish a solid waste energy plant on a public-private partnership basis in the provincial capital to generate electricity and bio-gas from domestic waste. The Secretary of Local Government, Administrator of Quetta Metropolitan Corporation and district administration have be..... [more >>](#)

Ensuring grid readiness for renewable energy

Source: Omer Rizwan, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-12

Pakistan is working to achieve up to 60% of electricity generation from renewable energy in line with UN SDG 7. For a country with a historic reliance on expensive, imported fuels whose prices are sensitive to USD/PKR parity, this is welcome news. However, while an abundance of renewables in the energy mix may be beneficial for the environment, this addition also requires close attention to invest..... [more >>](#)

Nestlé powers Rs2bn renewable energy investment in Pakistan

Source: Press Release, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-14

LAHORE: Nestlé reaffirms its commitment to Pakistan's vision for renewable energy with investment of Rs 2 billion in renewable power and sustainability initiatives. In a first, Nestlé Pakistan inaugurated a 2.5 megawatt solar power plant completed with an investment of Rs 480 million at its Kabirwala Factory that aims to reduce 1,800 tCO₂e of greenhouse gas emissions per y..... [more >>](#)

China-based company acquires renewable energy firm

Source: APP, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-04

ISLAMABAD: China-based M/s CNNP Rich Energy Co. Ltd strategically invests in Pakistan's renewable energy sector through its wholly-owned subsidiary, M/s. CRE International Co., Limited. The Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) has approved the acquisition of M/s. Super Success Investments Limited (SSIL) by M/s. CRE International Co., Ltd. CRE is the wholly owned subsidiary of CNNP R..... [more >>](#)

Poor likely to get power subsidy through BISP

Source: Fawad Yousafzai , [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-04

ISLAMABAD - Secretary Power Rashid Langryal has said that the provision of roughly Rs900 billion annual subsidies to electricity consumers is unsustainable, owing to absence of government's fiscal space for such a huge subsidy, and proposed the payment of subsidy only to the extreme poor consumers through the Benazir Income Support Program (BISP). The government is paying a subsidy of Rs9..... [more >>](#)

120 states vow to triple renewable energy by 2030

Source: [Agencies, Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-03

DUBAI: Nearly 120 nations pledged to triple the world's renewable energy within seven years at UN climate talks on Saturday as the United States pushed to crank up nuclear capacity and slash methane emissions. With smoggy skies in Dubai highlighting the challenges facing the world, leaders at the COP28 conference threw their support behind voluntary pledges aimed [more >>](#)

COP28: emerging role of nuclear power

Source: [Syed Akhtar Ali, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-14

Nuclear power is a zero carbon source of energy, meaning that during its operations, no carbon is produced or released. In order to achieve climate goal of limiting the environment temperature to 1.5 C, energy system has to be made carbon neutral. Hence the efforts of reducing fossil fuel based energy production and substituting it by renewable energy and now recently by nuclear energy. There..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Engagement

Event News

BISP for expanding digitalization process to ensure transparency

Source: [APP, Associated Press of Pakistan](#) , 2023-12-05

ISLAMABAD, Dec 05 (APP): The Benazir Income Support Programme BISP) on Tuesday discussed expansion of the digitalization process to ensure transparency in service delivery with the delegation from Asian Development Bank (ADB) and Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) In a meeting held at BISP office, the visiting team from ADB and SDPI explored the digital transformation in the social [more >>](#)

BISP cash disbursement reaches out to 9.3m households: official

Source: [Sardar Sikandar Shaheen, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2023-12-06

ISLAMABAD: The cash disbursement that aims to provide financial assistance to the deserving segments of the society under Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP) currently reaches out to 9.3 million households across the country and is being expanded further, Secretary BISP Amer Ali Ahmed has said. The BISP's cash distribution system has transcended and transformed from money orders to an e..... [more >>](#)

BISP hosts productive meeting

Source: [Jamila Achakzai, The News, International](#) , 2023-12-06

Islamabad: A meeting between Asian Development Bank (ADB) and Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) delegation was held today at Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP) HQs. The visiting team was exploring digital transformation in social safety sector. Secretary BISP Amer Ali Ahmed (R) during a meeting with a delegation led by Nasruminallah Senior Programme Officer along with Dr Jord..... [more >>](#)

BISP For Expanding Digitalization Process To Ensure Transparency

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BISP hosts productive meeting with ADB and SDPI on digital transformation in social safety sector

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Panel Discussion

Experts for urgency of climate action amid embracing 3P Approach for Climate Resilience

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2023-12-08

ISLAMABAD, Dec 8 (APP): The experts at a panel discussion on private sector's role in climate resilience while embracing the 3P Approach on Private Sector's Role in Balancing People, Planet and Profits for Climate Resilience have agreed on the urgency of climate action. They called for continued collaboration and innovation to meet sustainable development challenges, both in Pakistan a..... [more >>](#)

Experts For Urgency Of Climate Action Amid Embracing 3P Approach For Climate Resilience

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Remembering Ahmad Salim

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Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2023-12-11

ISLAMABAD, Dec 11 (APP): The renowned Punjabi and Urdu poet, dramatist, researcher and author of over 175 books, Mr Ahmed Saleem passed away peacefully on Sunday in the federal capital after protracted illness. The late dramatist and poet was the student of Faiz Ahmed Faiz and Ustad Daman who breathed his last at the age of 77. He remained associated with the Sustainable Development Policy Insti..... [more >>](#)

Poet, activist Ahmed Saleem laid to rest

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-12

LAHORE: A poet, novelist, author of dozens of books, historian, chronicler and dedicated political activist Ahmed Saleem, who died on Sunday at Islamabad, was laid to rest here on Monday at Miani Sahib Graveyard by a large number of friends and admirers. Muhammad Saleem Khwaja, as his parents named him, in 1945 when born in Mandi Bahauddin, he became better known by his pen name Ahmed Saleem as h..... [more >>](#)

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Remembering Ahmad Saleem

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2023-12-13

Ahmad Saleem, a luminary in the realm of Urdu and Punjabi literature and poetry, left an indelible mark on Pakistan's social and political landscape. He was a mentor to many of us. I have not read all of his 175-plus publications, but whatever I could read is worth many degrees. His extensive body of work reflects great depth of insight that transcends mere academic pursuits. His influence [more >>](#)

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Pakistan: leadership crisis

Source: [Huzaima Bukhari](#), [Dr Ikramul Haq and Abdul Rauf Shakoori](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-01

The primary constituents of economic growth encompass physical capital, infrastructure, human capital, and technology. Pakistan stands among those nations where growth rates have not aligned with its developmental profile for several years. Neglecting investments in the core elements of growth, we divert attention to less productive pursuits, exacerbating our debt burden. This misallocation of res..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan needs efficient policy framework to exploit carbon market potential: Experts

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2023-12-02

ISLAMABAD, Dec 1 (APP):Stressing the need to exploit the potential of the carbon market in Pakistan to strengthen the ongoing efforts for environmental protection, experts sought an efficient policy framework to harness the potential. These were the key takeaways of a session titled: 'Effective Implementation of Carbon Markets in Pakistan' at the 26th Sustainable Development Confere..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan will require \$101b for energy sector transition by 2030

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-02

ISLAMABAD-Pakistan will require \$101 billion for energy sector transition to achieve the target of overall 50 percent reduction of its projected Green House Gases (GHG) emissions by 2030. To achieve the target of overall 50 percent reduction, agreed under Paris agreement, of its projected emissions by 2030, with 15 percent from the country's own resources and 35 percent subject to provisio..... [more >>](#)

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SDPI Articles

Wounded ecosystem

Source: [Ali Rehmat Shimshali & Ramsha Mehboob Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2023-12-04

We have devastated the ecosystem and threatened our survival and are now chanting the slogan 'Save the planet, the earth is dying, save the ecosystem' – which seems merely deceptive. The earth has undergone many climatic and environmental changes, evolved with time, and survived more successfully. We need to understand that this planet is known as the 'land of the lost&r..... [more >>](#)

Youth, a buzzword?

Source: [Arooj Waheed Dar](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-07

DECADES of consistently failing the youth of this country has led us to one conclusion: 'youth' needs to be more than a buzzword. As we approach the election date, almost every statement by political parties these days pertains to the youth. Yet, conspicuous by their absence in these narratives are the policy actions these parties intend to implement to elevate the status of the youth..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's undocumented economy

Source: [Muhammad Umar Ayaz](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-09

Undocumented economy, also known as informal or shadow economy, poses enduring challenges for economies across the globe. Pakistan, marked by a significant informal sector, grapples with its own unique set of obstacles stemming from this parallel economic system. The undocumented economy entails economic activities that escape official records and taxation by government authorities. This encompass..... [more >>](#)

The economics of CBAM

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [The News, International](#), 2023-12-10

In an era defined by rapid industrialisation and resource overuse, the urgent need for sustainability eventually becomes clear. The Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism, championed by leading economies, aims to integrate environmental responsibility into global trade. By targeting carbon-heavy imports, the CBAM seeks to ensure that all industries acco..... [more >>](#)

Saving climate

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2023-12-10

The Covid-19 pandemic, a phenomenon that eluded previous infectious threats like Ebola, SARS, MERS and swine flu, was declared a pandemic not only due to its contagious nature but also because it posed a threat to humanity, transcending wealth, nationality and religion. Similarly, climate change, with its devastating impacts like rising sea levels, i..... [more >>](#)

The Olympics of climate change

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed, Geo News](#) , 2023-12-09

Like the Olympics which represents a harmonious blend of cultural diversity, sportsmanship, and global unity — drawing participants from every continent — the Conference of the Parties (COP28) in the United Arab Emirates embodies this spirit in the crucial field of climate action. Mirroring the Olympic gathering of athletes from across the globe, COP28 brings together a diverse array [more >>](#)

Food insecurity on the rise

Source: [Asif Javed, The News, International](#) , 2023-12-10

The global acute malnutrition rate of Pakistan is 17.7 percent, which exceeds the emergency threshold. The major reasons for malnutrition include excessive rains and floods in all the provinces, a higher percentage of people facing food insecurity, lack of access to basic services, such as health and nutrition. The Global Hunger Index 2022 ranks Pakistan..... [more >>](#)

Not a level playing field

Source: [Qasim Shah, The News, International](#) , 2023-12-10

World leaders are meeting in Dubai to discuss the pathways to keep global warming below 1.5°C. Various lobbies are active. A never-ending blame game has reached its peak. Industrialists accuse the agriculture sector (dairy and meat specifically) of being the biggest emitter; therefore reduction in the greenhouse gas emissions in agriculture sector..... [more >>](#)

Hope in Times of Despair

Source: [Zainab Baba, Daily Times](#) , 2023-12-12

In times of despair and multifaceted global crisis, the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) stands tall as a beacon of hope; illuminating pathways towards collaboration and development, fostering connectivity, economic growth and shared prosperity. BRI's vision of shared prosperity across nations is a glimmer of optimism in the face of multifaceted global challenges, constructing a landscape of o..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's climate plan

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed, The News, International](#) , 2023-12-03

World leaders are currently attending the 28th Conference of the Parties (COP28) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (an event which will run till December 12). This summit holds immense significance as nations grapple with the accelerating impacts of climate change. For Pakistan, a country ranked as the eighth most vulnerable to climate change impacts, the stakes are par..... [more >>](#)

SDPI News

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G77+ China countries need to unite for indigenous financial solutions for just energy transition: Dr Suleri

Source: [APP, Associated Press of Pakistan](#) , 2023-12-04

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Developing states seek increase in Adaptation Fund

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'Proper financing vital for just energy transition'

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2023-12-05

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COP-28 negotiations enter tense mode, Loss & Damage Fund Sectt notified under UNDRR

Source: [Web Desk](#), [LEADPakistan](#), 2023-12-06

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Al-Dhafra Solar Power Plant Boosts Green Energy Efforts Ahead of COP28

Source: [China Economic Net](#), [China Economic Net](#), 2023-12-03

Beijing, Nov 29, (China Economic Net) - The Al-Dhafra Solar Power Plant, built by Chinese contractors, has reached its full completion in the United Arab Emirates (UAE). This achievement holds significant importance as it coincides with the upcoming 28th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP28), scheduled to take place in Dubai from November 30..... [more >>](#)

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ISLAMABAD, (APP - UrduPoint / Pakistan Point News - 4th Dec, 2023) Executive Director, Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri on Monday while attending various sideline events at COP-28 global conference underscored that the developing countries, G-77 plus China need to establish unity for working out indigenous solutions as just energy transition without proper fina..... [more >>](#)

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ISLAMABAD: Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) Executive Director Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri has said that after five days of constant negotiations at the COP-28, the excitement of the international forum has converted into tension on the negotiating text based on diverging opinions of different delegates. In his online interaction with media Tuesday from Dubai, Dr Suleri, who is regularl..... [more >>](#)

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The annual climate change summit, held in the Gulf state of United Arab Emirates (UAE), revolved around the issue of phasing out the world's dependence on fossil fuels while seeking finance for building climate resilience in countries most impacted by climate change but who contribute the least to it. This was suggested by Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri, the Executive Director of the Sustainable Devel..... [more >>](#)

COP28 enhances international collaboration, seeks green development

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The 28th session of the Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, or COP28, concluded in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates. During the session, the Chinese delegation set up China's pavilion, and hosted over 100 side events focusing on China's policies and actions in response to climate change, international cooperation on climate change, green and low-carb..... [more >>](#)

New measures introduced to boost tax revenue on IMF 'pressure'

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The caretaker government on Monday announced a comprehensive plan, targeting an expansion of the tax net and increased filings as the International Monetary Fund (IMF) applies pressure for economic reforms. How many registered taxpayers are in Pakistan? Only 10.18 million individuals out of a population exceeding 240 million are registered taxpayers, with a mere 3.3 actively filing returns. The..... [more >>](#)

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Key corridor brings green energy transformation

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