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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

# Pakistan's Energy Transition

## Energy Governance

### Petrol, diesel prices likely to decrease

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-12

Pakistan may see a significant reduction in fuel prices in the coming days, with cuts of up to Rs12 per litre expected across various petroleum products, according to industry sources. Preliminary calculations suggest that the price of petrol could decrease by over Rs9 per litre, while high-speed diesel (HSD) may see a reduction of up to Rs8.50 per litre. Kerosene oil is also likely to become che..... [more >>](#)

### SNGPL disconnects another 62 meters on gas theft

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-03

LAHORE - The Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) has disconnected another 61 connections, during its ongoing crackdown on gas pilferers in Punjab, Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa and Islamabad, and imposed Rs 1.2 million fine. According to a spokesman, in Lahore and Gujranwala, the SNGPL regional teams disconnected six connections on illegal use of gas and imposed heavy fines against gas pilferers. In S..... [more >>](#)

### Meeting discusses police crackdown on power thieves, POs arrest

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-04

LAHORE - Additional IGP Operations Punjab Shehzada Sultan chaired a video-link meeting at the Central Police Office (CPO) on Saturday and discussed the ongoing crackdown on electricity thieves and arrest of the proclaimed offenders (POs). Officers from LESCO, FIA and police officers from Lahore, Sheikhupura, Okara, Nankana, and Kasur districts attended the meeting, along with DIG Operations Punjab..... [more >>](#)

### Man held for stealing gas as 3,810 illegal connections removed

Source: [News Desk](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-10

The Sui Southern Gas Company Ltd. (SSGC) has set up teams comprising Security Services and Counter Gas Theft Operations (SS&CGTO), Customer Relations Department (CRD) and Recovery Department representatives to fight off the menace of gas theft. Recently, the SS&CGTO Operation Wing along with the SSGC Police and Recovery Department conducted a joint raid at Screen Printing Factory in Bal..... [more >>](#)

### Pindi seals illegal gas refilling shops

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-08

RAWALPINDI: Teams of the Civil Defence Department conducted a major operation at the Pirwadhai General Bus Stand and the roundabout on the strict orders of OGRA and the Rawalpindi Commissioner. During the operation, 11 gas refilling shops which were illegally installing large commercial gas cylinders in public transport vehicles were sealed. All the equipment, motors and cylinders present in the..... [more >>](#)

### Jl protest and power price

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-10

The government's recent announcement regarding reductions in power prices has been universally welcomed, but whether or not it can actually be followed up on is far less certain. The announcement is part of a deal to appease the Jamaat-e-Islami, which has since called off its planned protest in the capital against skyrocketing electricity prices. However, many experts have noted that t..... [more >>](#)

### Due dates of July, Aug bills extended after Discos accused of overbilling

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-01

ISLAMABAD: All of the country's power distribution companies, including K-Electric, have been accused of fleecing consumers through overcharging on top of backbreaking electricity tariffs, which compelled Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif to extend the deadline for payment of bills by 10 days. "All the distribution companies including K-Electric have been found involved in overbilling,&..... [more >>](#)

**Highest profits repatriated to UK in FY24**Source: [Shahid Iqbal](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-01

KARACHI: The United Kingdom, not China, received the highest amount of profits and dividends on foreign investments in FY24, showed the State Bank of Pakistan's data on Wednesday. China has been in the media regarding profits of independent power producers (IPPs) as solid resistance from all sections of Pakistani society has emerged against the staggering capacity payments to all IPPs. .... [more >>](#)

**President to consult businessmen on IPPs**Source: [Mubarak Zeb Khan](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-01

ISLAMABAD: As the citizens grapple with exorbitant electricity bills, a high-level business delegation will meet President Asif Ali Zardari on Thursday to discuss concerns of the business community over independent power producers' (IPPs) excessive capacity charges and their far-reaching impact on the economy and the general public. The delegation of the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of..... [more >>](#)

**Petrol price cut by Rs6.17, HSD's by Rs10.86**Source: [Wasim Iqbal](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-01

ISLAMABAD: The federal government on Wednesday announced to slash the prices of petrol and high-speed diesel (HSD) by a substantial margin for the fortnight starting from August 1. The price of petrol has decreased by Rs6.17 per litre, while HSD became cheaper by Rs10.86 per litre, according to Finance Division statement. Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) worked out the consumer pr..... [more >>](#)

**PD blamed for IPP agreements; Sovereign contracts cannot be opened unilaterally: Nepra**Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-01

ISLAMABAD: Acknowledging difference of opinion within the authority on IPPs contracts, Nepra on Wednesday blamed the Power Division for the agreements while asserting that sovereign contracts cannot be opened unilaterally though a request can be made to the sponsors. The issue of IPPs' agreements, which are under scrutiny at all forum including the business community, was raised during ..... [more >>](#)

**Ogra raises rate of LPG**Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-01

ISLAMABAD: The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) on Wednesday notified raise by Rs2.27 per kg on domestic and commercial LPG cylinder for August 2024. Meanwhile, a reduction in Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) prices has been announced by the regulator for the month of July. The price of LNG for Sui Northern has been reduced by \$1.23 per MMBtu, while for Sui Southern the reduction is \$1..... [more >>](#)

**Untangling energy crisis: the 'misguided' criticism of IPPs**Source: [Sajid Mehmood Qazi](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-01

The narrative dominating Pakistan's discourse on electricity prices has painted Independent Power Producers (IPPs) as the villains responsible for the country's escalating energy costs. Media outlets and public opinion frequently accuse these private entities of profiteering through capacity payments without delivering corresponding electricity. However, a closer examination reveals th..... [more >>](#)

**IPPs and capacity payments**Source: [Hasnain Naqvee](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-01

Let me ask some basic questions to start the discussion. What is the main issue with the Pakistani economy? Is it not the trade imbalance? Is it not a fact that our exports are less than our imports? Is it not correct that we earn fewer dollars and need more or spend more? Is it not a fact that our economy is largely intertwined with the USD? Is it not true that when the demand for a par..... [more >>](#)

**27 key points on IBIS; Wapda awards Rs21.534bn contract for telemetry system**Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-01

LAHORE: The Pakistan Water and Power Development Authority (WAPDA) has awarded contract worth Rs 21.534 billion for installation of telemetry system at 27 key points on Indus Basin Irrigation System (IBIS) for real-time discharge monitoring. The contract has been awarded to a Joint Venture (JV) comprising CDigital and HBCC along with Siemens as Sub-Contractor in the JV. As per the contract, t..... [more >>](#)

### **Gohar Ejaz lashes at power producers for charging billions without producing power**

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-01

Former caretaker Minister of Commerce Dr Gohar Ejaz has criticised the Independent Power Producers (IPPs) for allegedly charging the government Rs 200 billion without generating a single unit of electricity. In a press conference in Islamabad, Dr Ejaz called for a forensic audit of these transactions and questioned the efficiency of the country's energy policies. According to Dr Ejaz,..... [more >>](#)

### **Bloated power bills**

Source: [Editorial](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-02

THE practice of power distribution companies systematically overcharging their customers to show higher bill recovery rates is not new. The issue surfaces every summer when unsuspecting consumers are delivered excessively bloated bills. Protests follow, an inquiry is conducted, ad hoc solutions are announced and the matter is forgotten as winter temperatures reduce electricity usage. This happened..... [more >>](#)

### **Experts see little hope for relief from heavy electricity bills**

Source: [Waqas Ali](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-02

KARACHI: There is little hope that high electricity prices will come down in the country as the government has made electricity and petroleum products "sources of revenue generation" while the independent power producers (IPPs) are enjoying "freehand without any check and balance" over their performance, outputs and agreements signed with the government. This was shared by..... [more >>](#)

### **Millions subjected to inflated bills in April-June: Nepra**

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-02

ISLAMABAD: An investigation by the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has revealed that millions of consumers across the country were subjected to 'inflated bills' during the April-June period as they lost their entitlement to subsidised rates and slab benefits. A report based on information and data provided by Power Information Technology Company (PITC) — a..... [more >>](#)

### **PM vows to cut power bills amid protests**

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-02

As protests against the inflated power bills continue across the country, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif Friday said it was the government's agenda to reduce the cost of electricity, urging against politicising the issue. "Politics on electricity issue is tantamount to insulting people," said the premier while chairing a cabinet meeting in Islamabad. He also spoke against politics f..... [more >>](#)

### **OMCs allowed imports to bridge deficit**

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-02

Being a net importer of both crude oil and refined products, Pakistan has not enough feedstock to feed refineries and therefore crude oil must be imported to utilise the refining capacity, say industry experts while responding to a news report that Pakistan State Oil (PSO) has lost 5% of its market share to Gas & Oil Pakistan Limited (GO). They argued that refineries are not able to produce e..... [more >>](#)

### **EPQL in 1HCY24**

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-02

Engro Powergen Qadirpur Limited (PSX: EPQL) has recently announced its financial results for the second quarter of the calendar year 2024 (2QCY24), reflecting significant performance improvements. EPQL's sales in 2QCY24 fell by 5 percent from the same quarter last year. However, the cost of sales for the same period also fell by 7 percent year-on-year. The company's gross profit for..... [more >>](#)

### **Fraudulent Billing**

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-02

The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) has released a report with the astonishing finding that all power distribution companies have been over-billing, leading to inflated bills across the country over the past few

months. In addition to government-imposed taxes and surcharges, this fraudulent overcharging by these companies is a grave abuse of power that should not go unpunished..... [more >>](#)

### **President calls for finding solution to rising energy costs**

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-02

ISLAMABAD - President Asif Ali Zardari has called for finding a win-win solution to address the issue of rising energy costs in the country. He proposed that the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) should form a committee and work with the President's office to develop a viable solution to the issue of paying capacity charges to Independent Power Producers (IP)..... [more >>](#)

### **Working to give relief on electricity prices, says PM Shehbaz**

Source: [Syed Irfan Raza](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-03

ISLAMABAD: A day after a protesting Jamaat-i-Islami gave a 48-hour deadline to the government to slash electricity prices, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Friday said the government was focused on providing relief to energy consumers and cautioned against politicising the issue. "Doing politics on the electricity issue is tantamount to humiliating people," the prime minister said w..... [more >>](#)

### **Karachiites, forget relief and get ready for another tax in KE bills**

Source: [Imran Ayub](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-03

KARACHI: Already overburdened with various taxes, the people of Karachi will have to pay up to Rs400 extra in their electricity bills for the current month after the Karachi Metropolitan Corporation (KMC) formally notified the collection of controversial Municipal Utility Charges and Tax (MUCT) through K-Electric, it has emerged. Officials both at the KMC and the KE confirmed the implementation..... [more >>](#)

### **Parliamentary panel warns of unrest over costly electricity**

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-03

ISLAMABAD: Potential unrest in Pakistan could stem from costly electricity, a result of "faulty and overpriced" contracts with Independent Power Producers (IPPs), warned a parliamentary panel calling for a forensic audit of these private generators. The panel highlighted that consumers are paying hundreds of billions of rupees each year to IPPs, regardless of whether they generate power..... [more >>](#)

### **Overbilling consumers**

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-03

In an unusual move, the prime minister has extended the deadline for payment of electricity bills by 10 days after all of the nation's power distribution companies, including K-Electric, were accused of exploiting consumers by overcharging them on top of backbreaking electricity tariffs. The 10-day extension in bill payment would be applicable for July and August bills. In a 14-page report r..... [more >>](#)

### **PM seeks proposals from ministries to waive off capacity charges**

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-03

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has requested the Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Energy to present proposals for waiving capacity charges in electricity bills. Sources indicate that the Ministry of Energy has suggested a one-time payment of Rs 4 trillion to cover capacity charges, aiming to provide relief to the public by preventing further circular debt accumulation. The proposed plan in..... [more >>](#)

### **Gohar Ejaz demands forensic audit; IPPs assailed for 'pocketing' Rs200bn**

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-02

ISLAMABAD: Former caretaker Minister of Commerce Gohar Ejaz on Thursday censured the Independent Power Producers (IPPs) for allegedly pocketing hefty amount of Rs 200 billion under the guise of capacity payments without generating a single unit of electricity. Addressing a press conference, he demanded forensic audit of payments made to the IPPs and questioned the efficiency of the country&rs..... [more >>](#)

### CM terms Sindh 'energy basket' for entire country

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-03

KARACHI: Chief Minister Sindh Syed Murad Ali Shah has said that Sindh is the energy basket for entire Pakistan which could generate cheaper electricity from the abundant coal resources in Tharparker and by setting up gas-run power plants which are similar to Sindh government's Nooriabad Power Plant. "The cost of electricity including its transmission from 100 megawatts Nooriabad p..... [more >>](#)

### Petroleum policy; New PD terms could discourage \$5bn potential investment

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-03

ISLAMABAD: The Petroleum Division has prepared a framework for allocation of gas to third party proposing amendments that can create hurdle to \$5 billion investment in oil and gas exploration, sources said. The representatives of exploration companies met Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif and pledged \$5 billion investment that was linked with the amendment in petroleum policy to allocate 35 per cent..... [more >>](#)

### July petroleum sales dip 11pc to 1.2m tons yoy

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-03

KARACHI: The total sales of petroleum products in the country have declined by 11 percent on year-on-year basis to 1.20 million tons during July 2024. The reduction in off-take comes on the back of hike in the price of MS and HSD which resulted in lower consumption, availability of smuggled petroleum products from Iran, and a fall in demand for FO-based power generation, Muhammad Iqbal Jawaid..... [more >>](#)

### Petroleum exploration and production firms not allowed 35pc local sales

Source: [Kalbe Ali](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-04

ISLAMABAD: Oil and gas exploration and production companies have criticised the Petroleum Division for not implementing the Council of Common Interests (CCI) decision regarding amendments to Petroleum (Exploration and Production) Policy 2012 in letter and spirit. The CCI approved that Exploration and Production (E&P) companies could sell 35 per cent of their gas production to the private se..... [more >>](#)

### Govt effectively tapping province's hydroelectric potential, says KP chief minister

Source: [BR Research](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-04

PESHAWAR: Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Chief Minister Ali Amin Gandapur has said the government is effectively tapping the province's hydroelectricity (hydel) potential to provide the local industry with cheaper power. The chief minister stated this during a meeting with a delegation of Chinese businessmen visiting Pakistan during his visit to Rashakai Special Economic Zone, according to a statemen..... [more >>](#)

### Capital suggestion: Power facts

Source: [Dr Farrukh Saleem](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-04

Fact 1: One power company supplies electricity to the government at a rate of Rs745 per unit, making it one of the highest-priced electricity suppliers globally. The power plant operates with a plant factor of 4.0 per cent, indicating its efficiency in utilizing its installed capacity. During FY2023-24, the company received Rs6.9 billion -- or Rs20 million per day, every day of the year -- in cap..... [more >>](#)

### Menacing capacity charges: Contract Act offers a way out

Source: [Naeem Sarfraz](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-04

For over two decades, power consumers have been victims of inflated electricity bills which have now become an unbearable burden. Line losses, theft, corruption, old equipment and incompetent management are contributory factors, warranting urgent redress. One large component of electricity bills which can be reduced quickly is capacity price. Capacity price is part of every IPP agreement. The gove..... [more >>](#)

### No respite in fares despite fuel price cut

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-04

RAWALPINDI: Despite the recent reduction in petroleum prices, the district administration and Regional Transport Authority (RTA) have failed to get fares lowered in inner city and suburban areas of the district. Commuters have expressed frustration, pointing out that transporters swiftly increase fares when fuel prices rise, but fail to reduce these when prices drop. A RTA spokesperson a..... [more >>](#)

### Electricity bills; Govt struggling to find solution to capacity charges

Source: [NNI, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-04

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Saturday sought proposals from the Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Energy to waive off capacity charges in electricity bills. According to sources, the Ministry of Energy has proposed paying off the capacity charges of Rs 4 trillion in one go. This would enable the government to provide relief to the people in their electricity bills. Sourc..... [more >>](#)

### The challenge of IPPs-I

Source: [Syed Shabbar Zaidi, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-04

Pakistan's real economy is failing primarily on account of its energy sector. This author has been raising the alarm for the last two decades. Now even a former caretaker federal minister (Gohar Ejaz) has come out openly on this issue. Everybody in Pakistan is convinced that the electricity tariffs are simply unaffordable with industries becoming uncompetitive and household budgets collapsin..... [more >>](#)

### Electric Stress

Source: [Editorial, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-04

While the government has raised taxes and tariffs across various categories in its new budget, it is perhaps the surge in electricity prices that is hitting the general population hardest. This is understandable, as electricity costs are not only highly visible but also consume a significant portion of household incomes, especially during the summer months. When combined with inflation, this singl..... [more >>](#)

### Imports of petroleum group fall by 0.61pc in FY2024

Source: [APP, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-04

ISLAMABAD - The imports of the overall petroleum group decreased by 0.61 percent during the fiscal year 2023-24 as compared to the corresponding period of the last year, the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS) reported. The total imports of the petroleum group during July-June (2023-24) stood at \$16,910.249 million as against the imports of \$17,014.558 million during the same period of last year, ..... [more >>](#)

### PIAF wants review of contracts with IPPs to reduce energy cost

Source: [Press Release, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-04

LAHORE - The Pakistan Industrial and Traders Associations Front (PIAF Anjum Nisar Group) has stressed the need for reviewing power purchase agreements, recommending forensic audit of the Independent Power Producers with a view to restore the viability of country's energy sector. In a meeting, which was attended by the representatives of all major sectors of trade and industry in the provinci..... [more >>](#)

### CORPORATE WINDOW: Looking towards ethanol

Source: [Abdul Waheed Bhutto, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-05

Liquid biofuels derived from renewable sources such as edible and non-edible oils and animal fats provide an eco-friendly alternative to traditional petroleum-based fuels. These biofuels can be easily blended with diesel and gasoline (petrol) for use in existing engines, typically up to a certain percentage, without requiring engine modifications. Among biofuels, ethanol is particularly notable..... [more >>](#)

### PM sets up task force on power sector reform

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-05

ISLAMABAD: In an attempt to address the long-standing financial and operational challenges in the country's power sector, the prime minister has announced the formation of a high-level task force dedicated to implementing structural reforms. The initiative aims to reduce the "financial burden of the sector being borne by the federal government and to enable the establishment of an e..... [more >>](#)

### Government forms task force for urgent power sector overhaul

Source: [News Desk, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-05

Following widespread protests over skyrocketing electricity bills, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has announced the formation of a task force to implement structural reforms in Pakistan's power sector, according to media reports. The

task force aims to alleviate the financial burden on the government and establish a more efficient, self-sustaining power market. Sources reveal that Power M..... [more >>](#)

### President for resolution of IPP issue thru consensus

Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-05

FAISALABAD: IPPs is a ticklish issue which needs to be resolved by evolving consensus among all stakeholders, said President Asif Ali Zardari. In a meeting with the business community of Pakistan, he proposed the constitution of a committee composed of business leaders which could critically analyze and submit workable recommendations. He assured that his office would fully cooperate with thi..... [more >>](#)

### Prices of POL products

Source: [Editorial](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-05

The federal government has slashed petrol price by 6.17 rupees per litre, high speed diesel's by 10.86 rupees per litre, kerosene's by 6.32 rupees per litre and light diesel oil's by 5.72 rupees per litre for the fortnight commencing on 1 August. The decision was taken as a result of a decline in the international prices of oil with petroleum levy remaining unchanged at 60 rupees..... [more >>](#)

### Power sector challenges beyond capacity payments

Source: [Engineer Abubakar Ismail](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-05

While the capacity payments to Independent Power Producers (IPPs) have grabbed major spot light these days, our single-buyer regime remains the real source of ire, where power plants are paid to remain on standby and supply electricity when needed. This idling incurs costs, as these plants are exclusively reserved for use when required. The power sector is a complex system involving numerous ..... [more >>](#)

### BMP blasts Discos for issuing highly inflated power bills to industry in April-June

Source: [Agencies](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-05

ISLAMABAD - THE Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI)'s Businessmen Panel (BMP) has blasted the power distribution companies (DISCOs) for issuing highly inflated power bills to the trade and industry in Apr-Jun of 2024, who are already harmed by the high cost of doing business, discouraging investment in capacity and capability. The BMP Chairman and FPCCI former..... [more >>](#)

### Govt to cut returns to bring down power tariffs

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-06

ISLAMABAD: With growing unease over unaffordable energy tariffs, the government is working on reducing the return on equity (ROE) for its plants and offering improved prices to attract additional investments in hydrocarbon exploration and development. Informed sources toldDawnthat the government had already decided to scale down the ROE for public sector power projects, including hydropower. Sinc..... [more >>](#)

### Global firms to review IPP deals

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-06

ISLAMABAD: With mounting criticism of the independent power producers (IPPs), Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has formed a task force for engaging international firms to review agreements with the IPPs and suggest measures to slash capacity payments. At present, electricity consumers are paying over Rs2.2 trillion in capacity charges to even those IPPs which are shut and not producing a single uni..... [more >>](#)

### Affordable electricity top priority: minister

Source: [APP](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-06

ISLAMABAD: The Federal Minister for Energy (Power Division), Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari, stressed on Monday that providing affordable electricity to the public through the implementation of energy reforms is a top priority for the government. In an interview with a private news channel, Leghari stated that the government is carefully reviewing the issues of independent power producers (IPPs)..... [more >>](#)

**Major oil and gas reserves discovered in Kohat**

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-06

A major oil and gas reserve has been discovered in Kohat's Tal Block district in the Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa province, with the Razgir-1 formation revealing promising deposits that could significantly strengthen Pakistan's energy resources. According to the Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL), the well is currently producing approximately 159 barrels of oil and 16.4 million stand..... [more >>](#)

**SC urged to order govt stop making payments to IPPs**

Source: [Terence J Sigamony](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-06

ISLAMABAD: The Supreme Court has been urged to direct the secretaries of ministries of energy, water and power and others to stop making payments to the IPPs as it cannot be justified to be lawful within the framework of the Constitution, the Power Purchase Agreements, the Implementation Agreements, and other related agreements. President Lahore High Court Bar Association and the Bar Associat..... [more >>](#)

**Oil prices: Bears take over**

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-06

In what have been a chaotic few days on the geopolitical front, international crude oil investors are not having any of it. The macroeconomic events have taken over the geopolitical risks, in no uncertain manner, with crude oil last seen trading at near 8-month lows, entering a bear zone. It may be surprising for a few that crude oil has continued its journey south despite the most high profile ki..... [more >>](#)

**Power sector: unanswered questions**

Source: [Editorial](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-06

The power sector problems have compounded over time due to unplanned and expensive growth in power generation whilst the transmission and distribution capacity did not grow in tandem and poor governance persisted. Electricity prices have now become unaffordable for almost all segments of society, including big and small businesses, middle and lower-middle class households. There is a widespread ou..... [more >>](#)

**The challenge of IPPs-II**

Source: [Syed Shabbar Zaidi](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-06

Excess/unutilized generation capacity In summary, the level of generation, transmission and consumption is as under: According to the Pakistan Economic Survey 2021–22, the installed electricity generation capacity reached 41,557MW in 2022. The maximum total demand coming from residential and industrial estates stands at nearly 31,000MW, whereas the transmission and distribution cap..... [more >>](#)

**Govt to retire expensive power plants**

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-06

ISLAMABAD: The federal government has decided to retire expensive power plants to reduce electricity prices in the country. This information was shared by the top bosses of Power Division with a delegation of Muttahida Qaumi Movement (Pakistan) on Monday in which electricity issues in Karachi, Hyderabad and capacity payment issues of Independent Power Producers (IPPs) were discussed. The ..... [more >>](#)

**Govt committed to reducing power rates: Leghari**

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-06

ISLAMABAD - Federal Minister for Power Owais Leghari Monday said that the incumbent government is committed in reducing electricity tariff and is making serious efforts to reform the country's power sector. The minister said that the government intends to lower electricity tariffs adding that "We are working practically rather than holding sit-ins or press conferences." While ..... [more >>](#)

**Power sector talk**

Source: [Editorial](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

THAT the energy sector is in a deep mess and is pulling down the moribund national economy further is a reality. Decades of mismanagement of the power sector, rampant corruption, theft, bad policies and lack of investment in the distribution network have made electricity unaffordable for the vast majority and brought this crucial area of national life to the brink of collapse. Those who can afford..... [more >>](#)

### Our right to electricity

Source: [Dr Murtaza Khuhro](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-07

Under Article 9 of the constitution, the state as defined in Article 7 bears the fundamental responsibility of ensuring electricity supply to every household, residence, and economic activity throughout Pakistan. This provision firmly enshrines the right to electricity as a fundamental right, essential for life and security. A state that consistently fails to uphold the fundamental rights enshrin..... [more >>](#)

### Power sector challenges and way forward

Source: [Jazib Mumtaz](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

The government has estimated an increase of 18 per cent in power purchase price — from Rs22.95 per kilowatthour (kWh) in FY24 to Rs27/kWh in FY25. Since FY2018, power purchase price has increased by 30 per cent — from Rs11.72/kWh to Rs27/kWh. It is pertinent to mention here that there are two major components of the power purchase price — the capacity charges and the fuel cost. .... [more >>](#)

### Pushing for power reforms

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

The prime minister's recent announcement of the formation of a high-level task force aimed at implementing structural reforms in the power sector could be a significant step towards addressing long-standing financial and operational challenges in the sector. The initiative will be led by Power Minister Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari and primarily aims to mitigate the financial burden on the..... [more >>](#)

### New oil and gas deposits discovered

Source: [Salman Siddiqui](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

KARACHI: In a significant development for Pakistan's energy sector, notable new oil and gas deposits have been discovered from a well jointly operated by the Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL), Pakistan Petroleum Limited (PPL), and Pakistan Oilfields Limited (POL) in the Kohat district of Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa (K-P). Additionally, Pakistan Petroleum Limited has revamped gas compre..... [more >>](#)

### DISCOs question efficacy of Rs73 billion project

Source: [Aamir Naveed](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

LAHORE: The Power Division and ex-WAPDA DISCOs are in conflict over the implementation of the Rs73 billion "Asset Performance Monitoring System" project as the two sides have conflicting views on its effectiveness. In a letter sent to the DISCOs, the power division directed the power companies to submit the PC-1 of the project "Asset Performance Management System (APMS) on 100KVA ..... [more >>](#)

### Progress on Tarbela 5th extension reviewed

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

LAHORE: The Chairman of the Water and Power Development Authority (WAPDA), Engr Lt Gen Sajjad Ghani (Retd), conducted a thorough visit to the Tarbela 5th Extension Hydropower Project to review the progress of its key components. He was accompanied by a World Bank team led by Advisor Masood Ahmed and Task Team Leader Gautum Gunjan. During the visit, several high-ranking officials were present, ..... [more >>](#)

### Capacity payments; IK govt extended favour to some IPPs: minister

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

ISLAMABAD: Minister for Power, Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari on Tuesday accused detained former Prime Minister Imran Khan's cabinet of extending favour to seven to eight Independent Power Producers (IPPs) through amending arbitration clause in agreement instead of starting further probe in light of recommendations of Muhammad Ali Report on IPPs. Power Minister shared this information ..... [more >>](#)

### Oil consumption stays tepid

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

With the beginning of a new fiscal year, oil sales by Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) in Pakistan experienced a notable decline. Total petroleum sales for the month of July-24 were recorded at 1.20 million tons, a decrease of 11

percent year-on-year This reduction was attributed to several ongoing factors including increased prices of Motor Spirit (MS) and High-Speed Diesel (HSD), the availability ..... [more >>](#)

### **The challenge of IPPs—III**

Source: [Syed Shabbar Zaidi, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

Nepra report further states: “2.3.7 Energy Charges vs. Capacity Charges: The consumer-end tariff comprises Energy Purchase Price (EPP), Capacity Purchase Price (CPP), the impact of T&D losses, Distribution & Supplier Margin, and Prior Year Adjustment. In FY 2022, EPP constituted around 60% of the tariff, while CPP accounted for about 40%. The percentage of CPP in the overall tar..... [more >>](#)

### **Free electricity worth Rs15b being provided to 190,000 employees of power sector**

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

ISLAMABAD - The Senate Standing Committee on Power was Tuesday informed that free electricity worth Rs 15 billion was being provided annually to approximately 190,000 employees of the power sector. The Senate Committee, which met with Senator Mohsin Aziz in chair, was further informed that the installed generation capacity of the power sector has declined to 39000MW from 42000MW due to the reti..... [more >>](#)

### **KE wants extension for 4 decades old inefficient, expensive power plants**

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

ISLAMABAD - While the government is planning to retire its inefficient and aged power plants, K-Electric has sought National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) approval for extension in the operational life of more than 40 years old Units 1 and 2 of its Bin Qasim Power Station-I (BQPS I). In a petition submitted to the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA), KE sought app..... [more >>](#)

### **Timely action by Ogra, Sindh govt, LEAs prevents catastrophe in Panu Aqil**

Source: [Press Release, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

ISLAMABAD - The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA), in collaboration with the government of Sindh, the district government, and law enforcement agencies (LEAs), has successfully halted the illegal mixing of CO2 gas with LPG in and around Panu Aqil, Sukkur. A decisive action has been taken against those violating the law, with FIRs registered and court proceedings initiated. This prompt interv..... [more >>](#)

### **A convenient scapegoat**

Source: [Adil Khattak, The News, International](#), 2024-08-08

The ongoing debate in the media is trying to pin all the current challenges on one sector: the IPPs. Arguments typically revolve around capacity charges paid to IPPs coupled with various extracts from the 2020 report by Mr Muhammad Ali on the power sector. This is distracting from the real issues in the power sector without understanding the basics and context. It is always easy to criticize deci..... [more >>](#)

### **Ogra member finance to be appointed from open market**

Source: [Rana Ghulam Qadir, The News, International](#), 2024-08-08

ISLAMABAD: The federal government has decided to appoint Member Finance of the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) from the open market. The Cabinet Division has invited applications from eligible candidates within 15 days for the appointment of Member Finance Ogra. Eligibility of the candidate is prescribed as Masters Degree in Finance or Accounting (minimum 16 years education) or Fellow Ch..... [more >>](#)

### **Paying the price**

Source: [Khalid Hasnain, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-08

THOSE without a memory can be excused if they think this is the first time a massive public controversy has arisen around the question of electricity, both its supply and price. But the clamour around electricity supply and pricing issues is actually very old, with perhaps the first major public issue arising in 1998. Ironically, back then, too, it was about people's inability to understa..... [more >>](#)

### Analysis: The bumpy road to Thar coal

Source: [Nasir Jamal](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-08

PAKISTAN is trying to encourage three Chinese power plants in Sahiwal, Port Qasim and Hub, with a combined generation capacity of \$3,960 megawatts, to switch from imported coal to Thar coal. Energy sector experts say the move makes sense, though there's many a slip 'twixt cup and lip. This initiative is understood to be a part of the wider power sector reforms supported by the IMF t..... [more >>](#)

### Reforms to end reliance on IPPs

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-08

ISLAMABAD: The energy ministry had embarked upon major reforms, including operationalisation of an energy exchange, which would allow the power plants to sell electricity to the buyer, Energy Minister Awais Leghari said on Wednesday. Leghari told the Senate Standing Committee on Energy that the ministry was currently facing problems related to high electricity prices. He assured that every possi..... [more >>](#)

### KAPCO denies receiving capacity charges

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-08

KARACHI: Kot Addu Power Company Limited (KAPCO) announced on Wednesday that it has not received any "capacity payments" from the government (power purchaser) in the past 22 months since its power purchase agreement (PPA) expired in October 2022. The company clarified that reports suggesting it received payments without generating electricity are contrary to reality. However, KAPCO has ..... [more >>](#)

### RLNG pushes up generation cost; KE urges govt to help provide gas to its power plants

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-08

ISLAMABAD: K-Electric has approached federal government for allocation of indigenous gas fields which can be utilized by relocating its plants, sources in Petroleum Division told Business Recorder. Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of KE, Syed Monis Abdullah Alvi, in a letter to Petroleum Minister, referred to KE's letter of July 19, 2024, on allocation of indigenous gas for K Electric Ltd ..... [more >>](#)

### The challenge of IPPs—IV

Source: [Syed Shabbar Zaidi](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-08

The second part of this story is the perceived cooperation from our Chinese brothers and friends. As per information, there has not been any rescheduling or re-profiling of loan due on this account, no deferment of capacity charges payable in USD, repatriation of dividend payable to the shareholder or the reduction of IRR. The end of the story is that it is a commercial transaction done like any o..... [more >>](#)

### Govt to review and 'terminate contracts with 15 IPPs'

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-08

The Pakistani government has decided to review and terminate agreements with 15 Independent Power Producers (IPPs) to provide relief to the public burdened by high electricity costs, sources said on Thursday. In efforts led by Energy Minister Awais Leghari, a task force has finalised the framework to address the issue. The government plans to immediately end contracts with six IPPs established ..... [more >>](#)

### FCA for June: Nepra approves Rs2.56 per unit hike for August power bills

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-09

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) Thursday approved an increase of Rs2.5627 per unit in electricity bills for consumers, effective in August. This decision will add an estimated Rs33.45 billion to the financial burden on power consumers, a figure that climbs to Rs39.5 billion with the inclusion of 18 percent GST. The adjustment stems from the fuel charges adjustm..... [more >>](#)

### Nepra hikes power tariff by Rs2.56 per unit

Source: [Mubarak Zeb Khan](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-09

ISLAMABAD: Amid rising electricity bills, the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has announced an increase in electricity tariffs by Rs2.56 per unit, resulting in an additional collection of over Rs33 billion from consumers in August. The tariff hike was revealed on Thursday as part of the monthly fuel cost adjustment (FCA) for June. These additional charges will be reflected ..... [more >>](#)

**NEPRA raises tariff by Rs2.6 per unit**

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-09

ISLAMABAD: Amid criticism over paying trillions of rupees to the Independent Power Producers (IPPs) and protest by Jammat-e-Islami, the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Thursday made another increase in electricity rates by up to Rs2.5627 per unit that would be recovered from consumers in electricity bills of August. The power regulator has allowed state-run power distribu..... [more >>](#)

**Govt takes big step to deal with IPP challenge**

Source: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-09

ISLAMABAD: The government has decided to look into the issues of Independent Power Producers (IPPs) besides taking steps to bring generation cost of electricity down. This was announced by the Minister for Power Division Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari and Special Assistant to Prime Minister, Muhammad Ali in a joint recorded policy statement after an internal meeting on power sector current i..... [more >>](#)

**The challenge of IPPs—V**

Source: [Syed Shabbar Zaidi, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-09

Solutions Revised accounting for government-owned IPP There is no reason to treat the government-owned IPPs in the similar manner. The case in example is Haveli Bahadur Shah; Balloki and other projects. These are wholly-owned by the Government of Pakistan and as per the latest financial statements there is no foreign currency loan. The priority of use is low on account of input being exp..... [more >>](#)

**FPCCI urges task force to hold IPPs accountable**

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-10

LAHORE: The Vice President and Regional Chairman of the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI), Zaki Aijaz, expressed the nation's anticipation of the task force on Independent Power Producers (IPPs) and Pakistan's Power Sector Reforms to hold the 40 IPPs accountable and provide much-needed relief to the public. In a statement released on Friday, Aijaz ..... [more >>](#)

**Govt committed to bringing comprehensive reforms in power sector: Awais**

Source: [APP, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-10

ISLAMABAD - Chairman National Task Force and Minister for Power Division Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari on Friday said the government is committed to bring comprehensive reforms in the power sector to enhance its efficiency. Talking to the media after chairing the meeting of National Task Force on Implementation of Structural Reforms in the Power Sector, the minister said that the Task Force revi..... [more >>](#)

**SSGC implementing ambitious gas pipeline augmentation, expansion plan**

Source: [Press Release, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-10

KARACHI - Being a customer-centric organisation, SSGC strives to serve its consumers in meeting their gas related requirements by frequently enhancing its facilities through multiple infrastructure development projects. Of late, as part of a Master Plan, the company is implementing an ambitious gas pipeline augmentation and expansion plan in Karachi and adjoining areas, aimed at ensuring enhanced ..... [more >>](#)

**Free electricity for consumers**

Source: [Our Correspondent, The News, International](#), 2024-08-11

Rawalpindi: At a time when consumers are unable to pay electricity bills, one of housing scheme is providing free utility service to its residents. Taj Residencia, a premier residential community adjacent to CDA Sector I-14, has announced the extension of free electricity services to our valued residents until August 2025. This initiative is part of our ongoing efforts to enhance the living exp..... [more >>](#)

**The quest for cheap electricity**

Source: [Asif Ali, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-11

Rising in the southwestern Tibet Autonomous Region of China near Lake Mapam, Indus River or Sindhu Darya is world's one of the longest rivers (nearly 2,000 miles). It unites with the salty waters of the Arabian Sea, containing erosion of

the coastal area as well as supporting the ecology. But the decision-makers of this gas-starved, oil-importing nation, instead of harvesting Jhimpir Wind Corridor..... [more >>](#)

### **Electricity prices surge 14 times in one year, adding Rs455B burden on consumers**

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-11

Electricity prices in Pakistan have surged 14 times over the last 12 months, imposing a significant financial burden on the citizens. The series of price hikes, which occurred from July 2023 to August 2024, have resulted in an additional cost of over Rs 455 billion to consumers. The most substantial increase took place in March 2024, when electricity prices rose by Rs 7.06 per unit. These frequent..... [more >>](#)

### **Setting up power plants near industrial zones**

Source: [Syed Shajee Hasan](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-12

KARACHI: Right from the era of 5,000-year-old Mohenjo Daro to the 21st century, the enormous terrain of this peninsula remains the cradle of Indus Valley civilisation. The Indus or Sindhu Darya, after originating at Ladakh, flows a thousand miles to unite with the salty waters of Arabian Sea, containing erosion of the coastal area as well as supporting the ecology. Though this oil-importing nation..... [more >>](#)

### **Reduced gas pressure expected in Sindh and Balochistan due to leak**

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-12

A gas pipeline leak is expected to cause reduced gas pressure in several areas of Sindh and Balochistan, according to a statement from Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC). The company reported that a leak was detected in the Gambat GPF IV feeder line, which supplies gas to SSGC. As a result, the system is experiencing a shortfall of 38 MMCFD (million cubic feet per day) of gas. The current demand of..... [more >>](#)

### **Govt to alter gas supply priority order**

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-12

ISLAMABAD: The federal government is all set to alter gas supply priority order to upgrade export industry (process) and place it in first category alongside domestic and commercial sector whereas captive industry will be treated at par with CNG sector, sources close to Petroleum Minister told Business Recorder. In order to optimally utilise the available natural gas in the country, the ECC..... [more >>](#)

### **FY24: Mari Petroleum's best profits yet**

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-12

Mari Petroleum Company Limited (MARI) has announced its financial results for FY24, showcasing record-breaking performance with significant growth in profitability. The revenue growth for E&P company in FY24 was primarily driven by a combination of increased hydrocarbon sales volume, higher wellhead prices, and the depreciation of the Pakistani Rupee. Specifically, the company saw a 7 per cent..... [more >>](#)

### **Shifting to Thar coal**

Source: [Editorial](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-12

How on earth is Pakistan going to convince Chinese power plants – in Sahiwal, Port Qasim and Hub, with a combined generation capacity of 3,960MW – to switch from imported coal to Thar coal when the transition is good in theory but not quite so in practice? For, the road to Thar coal is “bumpy”, as rightly pointed out recently in a detailed report in a local daily. And since..... [more >>](#)

### **Task force on IPPs: another wild goose chase?**

Source: [Ali Khizar](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-12

The formation of the Energy Task Force on Independent Power Producers (IPPs) appears to be a distraction from the real issues plaguing the energy sector. The focus on old IPPs, particularly those established under the 1994 and 2002 policies might score political points, but it offers little in terms of substantive savings without addressing the challenges posed by the most recent IPP policy of 201..... [more >>](#)

**SK Hydropower Station completes back feeding process**Source: [INP](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-12

ISLAMABAD - The Suki Kinari (SK) Hydropower Station successfully completed the back feeding process, marking the official countdown to grid-connected power generation for the station. Located on the Kunhar River in Mansehra, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province in northwest Pakistan, SK Hydropower Station is a flagship project under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). It stands as the largest green..... [more >>](#)

**Petrol price may be cut by Rs8.38, diesel Rs7.70**Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-13

ISLAMABAD: The price of petrol is likely to decrease by Rs8.36 per liter and diesel by Rs7.70 from August 16 for next fortnight mainly because of low consumption by big economies. On account of heavy rains in the regional countries, the POL consumption has also reduced leading to low demand of petroleum products causing the reduction in prices. In India, the usage of diesel has reduced manifold o..... [more >>](#)

**Petrol, diesel may see Rs9 decline for next fortnight**Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-13

ISLAMABAD: For the second fortnight in a row, the prices of major petroleum products — petrol and high-speed diesel (HSD) — are estimated to drop by up to Rs9.20 per litre for the next fortnight of August, mainly because of the lower international prices. Informed sources said the prices of petrol and HSD had decreased in the international market by more than \$3 per barrel in the last..... [more >>](#)

**OGDCL begins tight gas production**Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-13

ISLAMABAD: The state-owned Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL) on Monday announced the successful commencement of early commercial production of tight gas from Pakistan's first-ever Tight Gas project, Nur West Well-1 in Sujawal district of Sindh. The Nur West Well-1, a part of the Nur Development & Production Lease, is currently producing 1.5 million standard cubic feet per ..... [more >>](#)

**PM orders provision of electricity supply to Arshad Nadeem's residence**Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-13

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has issued instructions for electricity supply to be provided to the residence of Olympic gold medal list Arshad Nadeem. The Multan Electric Power Company (MEPCO), heeding the premier's directives, has commenced upgrades to the electricity system around Nadeem's residence in Chak 101/15 L, Mian Channu. MEPCO has delivered the necessary materials and equipment..... [more >>](#)

**Fuel adjustment: Here is to a better 12 months**Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-13

The power regulator okayed Rs2.56/unit as monthly Fuel Charges Adjustment (FCA) for June 2024— marking 16 straight months of positive adjustments. This capped the fiscal year with a cumulative FCA of a colossal Rs302 billion — or Rs2.45/unit. For context, cumulative FCA in FY23 stood at a more modest Rs126 billion, close to Re1/unit. The fact that relatively high FCAs kept coming month..... [more >>](#)

**KATI for releasing pending Rs33bn power subsidy immediately**Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-13

KARACHI: The Korangi Association of Trade and Industry (KATI) has urged the government to immediately release a pending Rs 33 billion electricity subsidy crucial for Karachi's industrial sector. Addressing at press conference, KATI President Johar Qandhari emphasised the urgent need to address the discrimination faced by Karachi's industries, which have been deprived of a signific..... [more >>](#)

**Petroleum policy: consistency is the key**Source: [Editorial](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-13

The energy sector mess in Pakistan has multiple dimensions. One dynamic is falling domestic oil and gas production, which is increasing the country's reliance on imported fuel options. This will certainly worsen balance of payment situation and potentially jack up prices. To counter this, the plan should be to encourage local production through improvement in petroleum policy. The caret..... [more >>](#)

### **Tariff, USD indexation under PPA terms; South Korean co threatens to file global lawsuit**

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-13

ISLAMABAD: Korean Company, M/s Mira Power Limited (MPL), sponsor of 102 MW Gulpur power project, has threatened to seek legal remedy at international forum under the Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) if injustice is done by Nepra on tariff calculations and in allowing indexation in US dollars, well-informed sources in Nepra told Business Recorder. Korean company also cited its letter of June 14,..... [more >>](#)

### **Petrol, diesel prices expected to drop from August 16 due to reduced demand**

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-13

In a welcome relief for consumers, the prices of petrol and diesel are likely to decrease from August 16 for the next fortnight. This reduction comes amid lower consumption in major economies and regional factors influencing the demand for petroleum products. According to official sources, petrol prices may decrease by Rs8.36 per liter, while diesel prices could see a reduction of Rs7.70 per li..... [more >>](#)

### **Wapda all set for diversion of Swat River at Mohmand Dam Hydropower Project**

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-13

ISLAMABAD - Wapda is all set for diversion of Swat River at Mohmand Dam Hydropower Project, as the diversion tunnels have been completed. The project team is likely to divert Swat River after completion of the river-closure-dyke in a few days, said a spokesman WAPDA here. Despite high flow season, full effort is being made to achieve this significant milestone, he said. With this significant deve..... [more >>](#)

### **NTDC adds another 250 MVA, 220/132 kV autotransformer at 500 kV Grid Station Sheikhpura**

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-13

LAHORE - National Transmission and Despatch Company Limited (NTDC) has successfully added a 250 MVA autotransformer at 500 kV Grid Station Sheikhpura to enhance its power transmission capacity. The augmentation work of existing 160 MVA, 220/132 kV autotransformer (T-8) with 250 MVA, 220/132 kV autotransformer has been completed by Project Delivery (North) Lahore, the autotransformer successfully ..... [more >>](#)

### **Government mulls IPPs closure to reduce power tariffs**

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-13

The federal government has initiated plans to reduce the current electricity tariffs through a series of proposals and measures, acknowledging the significant financial risks faced by the power sector. According to sources, the government is working on multiple strategies to rationalise electricity rates, which include reducing allocations in development budgets at both federal and provincial lev..... [more >>](#)

### **USAID advisers get seats on NTDC board**

Source: [Shahbaz Rana](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-13

ISLAMABAD: The government on Monday reconstituted the board of National Transmission and Despatch Company (NTDC), which is in the business of electricity transmission, and appointed two Pakistani consultants of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) on its board. The Cabinet Committee on State-Owned Enterprises (CCSOEs), which took the decision, also reconstituted the bo..... [more >>](#)

### **Petrol price drops by Rs8.47 per litre**

Source: [Saif Ur Rehman](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-14

The government has notified Rs8.47 reduction in per litre price of petrol for the next fortnight due to a drop in fuel prices in the global market. The petrol price has been cut from Rs269.43 to Rs260.96 per litre. The price of high-speed diesel (HSD) has also been slashed by Rs6.7 per litre from Rs272.77 per litre to Rs266.07. The announcement was made in a statement issued by the Mini..... [more >>](#)

### **Low-cost electricity must to give citizens relief: PM**

Source: [Mubarak Zeb Khan](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-14

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Tuesday expressed concern over Rs500 billion lost each year to electricity theft and stressed the need to reduce power prices to provide relief to both domestic consumers and

industries. He said the government and all its departments are working to provide low-cost electricity to citizens and bring in reforms to achieve economic stability. Besides..... [more >>](#)

### Regulator raises RLNG prices

Source: [Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-14

ISLAMABAD: With system losses at a massive 13.14 per cent, the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) on Tuesday notified up to 3.20pc increase in the sale price of Regasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) for two Sui gas companies for the current month with effect from August 1 owing to higher international prices. The RLNG's sale price for Lahore-based Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Ltd (SN..... [more >>](#)

### PM Shehbaz announces major fuel price cuts on Independence Day eve

Source: [News Desk, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-14

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has announced a significant reduction in petroleum product prices as a "gift to the nation on Independence Day", state broadcaster PTV reported on Tuesday. The price of petrol has been slashed by Rs8.47 per litre, bringing it down from Rs269.43 to Rs260.96. Similarly, the price of diesel has been reduced by Rs6.7 per litre, lowering it from Rs272.7..... [more >>](#)

### RLNG prices raised by 3.2% for Aug

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-14

ISLAMABAD: The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) on Tuesday announced a 3.2% month-on-month increase in consumer prices of RLNG for August 2024, reflecting latest changes in global energy markets. The new rates, effective from August 1, 2024, have been given in an official notification issued by Ogra. For customers of Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited, the price of RLNG has been increa..... [more >>](#)

### Will share 'good news' on electricity bill reduction with nation soon: PM Shehbaz Sharif

Source: [Web Desk, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-14

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has announced that he will soon share the "good" news of a reduction in electricity bills with the nation, noting that without a dip in electricity prices, Pakistan's industry and agriculture cannot progress. During a speech at the Independence Day ceremony, Prime Minister Shahbaz announced that he will also present a five-year economic plan soon..... [more >>](#)

### Discos add Rs596bn to circular debt

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-14

ISLAMABAD: Expressing concern at the performance of power Distribution Companies (Discos), National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) noted reduction in sale of electricity and increase in losses and inefficiencies to the tune of Rs 596 billion, well informed sources in CPPA-G told Business Recorder. The power sector Regulator conveyed its views to Central Power Purchasing Agency-G,..... [more >>](#)

### New coal-fired power plant starts operations today

Source: [Press Release, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-14

LAHORE: In a significant milestone for Pakistan's energy sector, a new 660 MW coal-fired power plant in Jamshoro is set to commence operations on August 14, Pakistan's Independence Day. This project marks a landmark achievement in the country's energy infrastructure. The plant, owned by the Government of Pakistan and funded by the Asian Development Bank, features advanced su..... [more >>](#)

### Powering Pakistan

Source: [Khurram Husain, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-15

THE prime minister wants to bring down the cost of electricity. He should start by repairing the fiscal equation of the state. There is no harm in talking with power producers to see if coal-fired power plants can be shifted to domestic coal as a way to bring down fuel costs. It is also good to order a move towards smart metering in the distribution companies, something that should have been do..... [more >>](#)

### Fixing the IPPs

Source: [Tasneem Noorani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-15

VISITING Islamabad with my grandchildren, I decided to introduce them to our very impressive Islamabad Sports Complex. Getting there, we found that the Asian Junior Individual Squash Championship was going on. It was a delight to see scores of kids, both boys and girls, from the age of 10 onwards, from 12 different countries competing hard. I felt proud that Pakistan was hosting such a lovely even..... [more >>](#)

### PM says power tariffs to be revised downward soon

Source: [NNI, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-15

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has said that the nation will soon receive good news about reduction in electricity tariff, because Pakistan could not make progress unless inflation and power rates were brought down. Addressing an Independence Day ceremony here on Wednesday, Shehbaz Sharif said he will unveil government's economic programme in his address to the nation in the n..... [more >>](#)

### 2020 IPP report's recommendations; Power sector circles for implementation

Source: [Hamid Waleed, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-15

LAHORE: The power sector circles have demanded transparency and accountability in Pakistan's power sector by ensuring the implementation of the 2020 Report's recommendations regarding Independent Power Producers (IPPs). They said a damning 288-page report from March 2020 had highlighted widespread irregularities in Pakistan's electricity sector, including excess payments of ..... [more >>](#)

### PRIED's study; 'Include external costs to accurately price Thar coal power'

Source: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-15

KARACHI: The Thar coal is being promoted as cheap local fuel for future, however there are huge socio-environmental concerns, a study said. The study suggested that externalities of Thar coal should be included in the cost of power generation from Thar coal to determine its actual cost. The study, "Externalities of Thar Coal" launched at an event organized by Pakistan Researc..... [more >>](#)

### Senate body seeks copies of IPP agreements

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-05

ISLAMABAD: Senate Standing Committee on Power has sought copies of Independent Power Producers (IPPs) agreements since 1994, names of sponsors, changes made in pacts from time to time, heat rate and price at which other regional countries entered into agreements with private power producers at that time. The Committee headed by Senator Mohsin Aziz, held its maiden meeting on July 12, 2024, bu..... [more >>](#)

### Senate panel wants regional power rates studied

Source: [Amin Ahmed, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

ISLAMABAD: The Senate Standing Committee on Power on Tuesday asked the government to conduct a comparative analysis of electricity tariffs in neighbouring and regional countries since huge power bills have made electricity unaffordable for an average person in Pakistan. The committee chairman, Senator Mohsin Aziz, emphasised the importance of resolving issues with independent power producers (I..... [more >>](#)

## Renewable Energy

### Science and greed

Source: [Imran Jan, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-11

We live in a world dominated by climate change, even though we have a tendency to ignore it. The hurricanes, the cyclones, the wildfires, the extreme heat, the glaciers becoming a thing of the past, the warm clothing becoming almost obsolete, and a variety of many other aspects leave no doubt that climate change is here with us. And while it may sound like an unwanted guest, it is not, however, un..... [more >>](#)

### K-Electric renewable energy projects garner local, int'l interest

Source: [Press Release, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-02

Karachi - K-Electric (KE) completed another significant milestone in its ambitions to enhance its share of renewable energy in its generation mix, envisaged under the company's Power Acquisition Programme (PAP). The company

announced the receipt of a total of 15 bids for the first of its ambitious renewable energy initiatives of 150 MW solar projects at Winder and Bela, Balochistan. Aiming ..... [more >>](#)

### **200,000 families to get solar home system with 80pc subsidy: Murad**

Source: [Tahir Siddiqui, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-04

KARACHI: The Sindh government is set to bear 80 per cent cost of as many as 200,000 'solar home systems' (SHS) to be provided to low-income households across the province. The government on Saturday entered into framework agreements with three firms to provide each of the 200,000 families with a solar panel, battery, one DC fan, three LED bulbs and a mobile phone charging facility wit..... [more >>](#)

### **Utility-scale renewable energy**

Source: [Qurat UI Ain, The News, International](#), 2024-08-04

The need to curb global greenhouse gas emissions has never been more urgent. These emissions have increased 182 times from the pre-industrial era and will continue to increase in the future if we do not take sustained action. Delays in mitigation measures will have potentially irreversible impacts on the atmosphere, contributing to permanent global wa..... [more >>](#)

### **Balochistan must exploit renewables' potential, says World Bank**

Source: [Amin Ahmed, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-09

ISLAMABAD: Balochistan should harness its vast potential of variable renewable energy (VRE) to create a surplus of electricity that can be exported to other provinces or internationally, reducing its reliance on power imports, suggests a World Bank study released on Thursday. The Balochistan Renewable Energy Development Study notes that the existing import connection lines can be used to stabil..... [more >>](#)

### **Stakeholders discuss floating solar power project at Thatta's Keenjhar Lake**

Source: [Dawn Report, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-09

KARACHI: A stakeholder engagement workshop was held by Sindh energy department in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the United Nations Department of Economic & Social Affairs (UN DESA) on Thursday to discuss the 500 MW Floating Solar Power Project at Keenjhar Lake in Thatta district. The workshop, organised at a hotel in Karachi, was part of a broad..... [more >>](#)

### **All possible steps being taken to distribute 50,000 home solar panels this month: Nasir**

Source: [Our Correspondent, The News, International](#), 2024-08-10

Sindh Minister for Energy Development and Planning Syed Nasir Hussain Shah has said that all possible steps are being taken to distribute 50,000 solar home panels in August. He hopes that this work would be completed soon. Talking to the media on Friday, he said the manifesto of the Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) promised to provide up to 300 units of free electricity to the people and their plan h..... [more >>](#)

### **Experts urge solar adoption**

Source: [Gohar Ali Khan, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-10

KARACHI: Energy experts assert that solar energy adoption in Pakistan not only reduces reliance on fossil fuels and lowers energy costs but also enhances access to electricity in remote areas, creates jobs, and supports environmental sustainability, leading to a more resilient energy sector. Discussing government policies and incentives, the experts commend the government's initiative of..... [more >>](#)

### **Punjab govt signs solar panel manufacturing agreement with Chinese firm**

Source: [Web Desk, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-10

The Punjab government has entered into an agreement with China's Aiko Solar Energy Company to establish a solar panel manufacturing plant in the province. Punjab's Minister of Industry, Chaudhry Shafay Hussain, signed the agreement alongside officials from the Chinese company. Minister Hussain highlighted that India has been generating substantial revenue, approximately one billion dollar..... [more >>](#)

### **Women engineers electrify Karachi orphanage with solar power**

Source: [Shazia Hasan, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-11

KARACHI: The sky was sunny sometimes and cloudy the next, but the 26 women electrical engineers in Barbie pink t-shirts and canary yellow safety helmets along with big, bulky boots and thick rubber gloves wouldn't let an overcast sky dampen their spirits. They cheerfully went about their work, installing the solar panels on the rooftop of the Hussein Dar-ul-Atfal orphanage in Liaquatabad To..... [more >>](#)

### **WB study urges Balochistan to harness renewable energy potential for electricity**

Source: [INP, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-11

ISLAMABAD - The World Bank study on Balochistan's Renewable Energy Development has highlighted the province's vast potential to harness variable renewable energy (VRE) sources and create a surplus of electricity. This surplus electricity could be exported to other provinces within Pakistan or to international markets, reducing Balochistan's reliance on power imports. The study..... [more >>](#)

### **Govt mulls imposing price equalisation levy to sustain gas sector**

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-12

ISLAMABAD: The government is considering a mechanism to impose a price equalisation levy, or surcharge, on wellhead gas to cross-subsidise protected residential consumers and industrial sectors, with an aim to relieve a Rs10-15 billion burden from the federal budget on account of annual subsidies enjoyed by the sector. The initiative is part of petroleum sector reforms under the Integrated Ener..... [more >>](#)

### **Punjab cabinet approves solar energy systems for life-line consumers**

Source: [Zulqernain Tahir, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-14

LAHORE: The 13th Punjab cabinet, presided over by Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz on Tuesday, approved various public welfare projects, including Roshan Gharana Programme, under which solar home solution will be provided to protected consumers using up to 100 electricity units across Punjab. The cabinet also approved model house for "Apni Chhat, Apna Ghar" project, under which Rs1.5m wi..... [more >>](#)

### **Solar revolution**

Source: [BR Research, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-15

A silent revolution at a very micro scale is happening in the renewable energy (mainly solar) in Pakistan and despite its efforts to discourage the adoption to cover the national grid stranded cost, the government may not be able to stop these building blocks of micro solar instalments to have a macro impact in years to come. It is better to embrace it. The math is simple. Inflating electrici..... [more >>](#)

# SDPI's Engagement

## A Report Launch

### Experts advocate women empowerment in trade to boost South Asian interregional trade & economic integration

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2024-08-05

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### 'Empowering women key to integration'

Source: [APP](#), [The Express Tribune](#), [Islamabad](#), 2024-08-07

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A Study Launch

**Experts For Collaborative Efforts To Address Energy Challenges**

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#) , 2024-08-04

ISLAMABAD, (APP – Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 4th Aug, 2024) The experts at the study launch of Energy Security in South Asia have stressed the need for collaborative efforts to address energy challenges in South Asia through regional cooperation to ensure energy security. Speaking at the launch of the study “Energy Security in South Asia: A case of Transitioning to Sustainable Sources&rdq..... [more >>](#)

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**Regional energy cooperation needed to mitigate climate change in South Asia: study**

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2024-08-05

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SDPI Collaboration with Embassy of the Federal Democratic Republic Ethiopia (FDRE)

**Green Legacy Forum shares Ethiopia’s environmental conservation success with Pakistan**

Source: [Reporter](#), [The Asian Telegraph](#) , 2024-08-06

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Source: [Web Editor, Pakistan Page](#), 2024-08-06

The collaboration was agreed upon during a meeting between Special Envoy & Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ethiopia to Pakistan, Jemal Beker Abdula and Dr. Abid Qaiyum Suleri, Executive Director, SDPI here at the Embassy of Ethiopia. The forum will have participation of Parliamentarians, diplomatic and business community, environmentalists, religious and media fraternity, youth.... [more >>](#)

**Ethiopian Embassy, Pakistan's SDPI Launch Forum on Eco-Conservation, Sustainable Development**

Source: [Staff Reporter, World Echo News](#), 2024-08-06

ISLAMABAD: The Embassy of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia (FDRE) and Pakistan's Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) have announced a partnership to jointly organize the "Green Legacy Forum." This initiative aims to raise awareness and mobilize all sectors of society for a large-scale plantation of fruits and vegetables, focusing on ecosystem restoration, f..... [more >>](#)

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An Internal conference on gender empowerment for the green economy

### **All-out efforts urged for empowerment of women**

Source: [Abdul Rasheed Azad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-08-14

ISLAMABAD: An internal conference on gender empowerment for the green economy, Tuesday, while unanimously adopting a 12-point Islamabad Declaration has affirmed their commitment to making all-out efforts and mobilising political will to address gender inequality and empower women to achieve green economy goals in Asian countries. On the concluding day of the two-day event titled, “Regional ..... [more >>](#)

### **Regional lawmakers adopt Islamabad Declaration on gender empowerment**

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## Dialogue News

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### Draft legislation to be tabled in National Assembly against HIV AIDS

Source: [Web Desk](#), [Dunya News](#), 2024-08-04

ISLAMABAD (Web Desk) - Prime Minister's (PM) Special Assistant for Climate Change, Romina Khurshid Alam announced to table the draft legislation in the National Assembly on prevention and protection against HIV AIDS. She made this announcement at the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and the UN AIDS jointly organised consultative dialogue in Islamabad for drafting HIV legi..... [more >>](#)

## SDPI Articles

### Coordinating for carbon markets

Source: [Saleha Qureshi](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-03

The rapid developments around carbon markets signal a growing economic opportunity. They are a vital tool for the developing world in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and combating climate change. From California in the United States to the European Union; and from China to the Middle East, these markets are expanding rapidly. This shows their potent..... [more >>](#)

### Adaptive governance

Source: [Muhammad Awais Umar](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-06

The concept of adaptive governance is an established social-ecological system management and governance approach. Conceptualized in the field of environmental governance in the 1990s, it has evolved as an analytical framework for understanding natural resource governance that takes as its foundation the interdependence of social and ecological systems, recognizing that the two cannot exist in isol..... [more >>](#)

### Economics of emission trading systems

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-11

As adversity caused by climate change accelerates, the landscape of global macroeconomics and trade is changing. International cooperation is paramount, not only to achieve environmental stability but also for climate-smart

economic and financial architecture. The Paris Agreement, a landmark accord adopted by nearly 200 countries, aims to limit global warming to well below 2 degrees Celsius. A ke..... [more >>](#)

### At the heart of all our woes

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-11

Since gaining independence, Pakistan has faced many economic challenges that have hindered its growth and development. Many of those challenges, from fiscal imbalances and energy availability/ affordability to political instability and institutional weaknesses, are still haunting the country as it turns 77 next week. The most pressing issues include the fiscal imbalance and debt burden. The cou..... [more >>](#)

### Revitalising Pakistan's export landscape

Source: [Maheen Rehan](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-11

Amidst fluctuations in the global economy, the recent export performance of Pakistan has demonstrated resilience and untapped potential. The decline of the current account deficit to \$0.5 billion in FY 2024, supported by the IMF's stand-by arrangement and significant policy measures, signifies a positive shift in the country's economic outlook. Significant growth (9.3 percent) in expo..... [more >>](#)

### A blueprint for a brighter grid

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-08-12

Given the gruesome challenges of Pakistan's power sector – high tariffs, inability to offer subsidies due to IMF constraints, excess installed capacity, and inadequate transmission capacity – a sophisticated and innovative power tariff structure is essential for boosting industrial electricity demand. Drawing from international best practices and conducting a thorough cost-benef..... [more >>](#)

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Islamabad: Speakers at a regional conference here on Monday underscored the importance of gender empowerment for effectively transitioning to a green economy, insisting that without providing women with equal opportunities to participate in and benefit from the green economy, achieving more sustainable, inclusive, and effective environmental and economic results will be impossible. The two-day eve..... [more >>](#)

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ISLAMABAD: National Assembly Speaker Sardar Ayaz Sadiq said that exchanging ideas, best practices, and forging collaborative strategies are essential for achieving gender empowerment and sustainable development. "Parliamentarians must recognise that gender equality and environmental sustainability are deeply intertwined goals; the success of one depends on the other. Pakistan is steadfast..... [more >>](#)

## Seminar News

**Speakers Urge Green Practices For Textile Industry**

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ISLAMABAD, (APP – Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 31st Jul, 2024) Speakers at a seminar on Wednesday urged that the textile sector required green measures to ensure sustainability and circularity as refurbishment of these goods burdened local water and energy resources. The Sustainable Development Policy Institute in collaboration with the European Union (EU) and United Nations Environment Programme (U..... [more >>](#)

**Recycled clothing booms**

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ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has emerged as a leading destination for imported second-hand textiles that are being recycled and sold in high-end markets, contributing to creating a more sustainable economy. This emerged in a seminar on "Circularity and Used Textiles Trade in Pakistan: Policy and Practice for Sustainable Development", on Wednesday. The Sustainable Development Policy Instit..... [more >>](#)

**Pakistan among top importers of second-hand textiles needs green practices to ensure sustainability, circularity: Speakers**

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## Symposium

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Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2024-08-01

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**Pak youth key players in fostering a resilient future: Patricia**

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