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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.

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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
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- SDPIs Events, visits, publications

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Energy Governance

Punjab police arrest 61,540 'power thieves'

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-04

LAHORE: Punjab Police is conducting a strict crackdown against electricity thieves and strict actions are taking against those causing losses to the national treasury. Punjab Police spokesperson said that this year, 61,540 accused were arrested across the province, including for involvement in electricity theft, with 99,572 cases registered against them. In 60,278 cases, challans were completed an..... [more >>](#)

Senate panel urges oversight for oil, gas drilling across Pakistan

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-02

ISLAMABAD: The Senate Standing Committee on Petroleum on Friday voiced urgent concerns regarding oil and gas drilling activities across Pakistan, particularly focusing on the contentious third-party sales linked to the Badin-IV South Block in Sindh province. The parliamentary panel that met here with Senator Umer Farooq in the chair expressed alarm over the detrimental effects of these sales on n..... [more >>](#)

ECC approves circular debt management plan

Source: [Tahir Amin](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-05

ISLAMABAD: The Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet on Monday approved circular debt management plan for fiscal year 2024-25, which aims to reduce liabilities in the power sector and enhance financial sustainability. Federal Minister for Finance and Revenue Senator Muhammad Aurangzeb chaired the meeting of the ECC of the cabinet, where several key agenda items were discussed a..... [more >>](#)

Oil sector deregulation fast-tracked

Source: [Zafar Bhutta](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-15

ISLAMABAD: The government has expedited the consultation process for deregulating the petroleum sector and setting uniform gas prices for the processing industry along with wellhead, piped gas and liquefied natural gas (LNG). Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has directed the Petroleum Division to work out proposals for deregulating the petroleum sector and fixing uniform prices for locally produced..... [more >>](#)

Govt increases petrol price by Rs1.35

Source: [Saif Ur Rehman](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-01

ISLAMABAD: The federal government on Thursday increased the price of petrol by Rs1.35 for the next fortnight in line with "price variation" in the international market. The new fuel prices came into effect from November 1 (Friday). According to a notification issued by the Finance Division, the new price of petrol will be Rs248.38 per litre, up from Rs247.03. "The Oil [and] Gas [more >>](#)

KE seeks tariff cut during heated NEPRA hearing

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-01

ISLAMABAD: K-Electric (KE) has requested a power tariff reduction of Rs0.16 per unit due to fuel cost adjustments (FCA) for September 2024. During a National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Neptra) hearing on KE's September FCA, tensions rose when a member of the public questioned the perceived favouritism toward KE. The speaker pointed out discrepancies between fuel adjustment tariffs f..... [more >>](#)

PM unveils power tariff relief for three months

Source: [Ag App & Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-09

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Friday unveiled a three-month electricity relief package for the winter season providing a relief of up to Rs26.7 per unit for domestic, Rs15.5 for industrial and Rs22.71 for commercial consumers. The prime minister, addressing an event to commemorate the birth anniversary of Allama Muhammad Iqbal being celebrated on November 9 here, told the gathering [more >>](#)

Govt unveils winter package to boost power consumption

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-09

ISLAMABAD: The government on Friday announced cheaper electricity rates for residential, commercial and industrial consumers on incremental usage over three winter months (December to February) in an effort to stimulate power consumption amid high tariffs and economic downturn. Under the Bijli Sahulat Package, consumers will receive an 18-50 per cent discount on additional usage over previous y..... [more >>](#)

SOE dominance hinders power sector competition

Source: [Kalbe Ali](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-09

ISLAMABAD: The Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) has said that the strong presence of state-owned enterprises (SOEs) in the transmission and distribution sectors leaves little room for private firms, creating barriers to entry and limiting market competition. A research report titled "State of Competition in the Key Markets in Pakistan: Power Sector", released by the CCP on Fri..... [more >>](#)

SIFC moves to address refinery woes

Source: [Zafar Bhutta](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-05

ISLAMABAD: The Special Investment Facilitation Council (SIFC) has given a deadline of November 10 to the Petroleum Division for addressing the challenges being faced by oil refineries, which prevent the signing of plant upgrade agreements under the Brownfield Refinery Policy 2023. Sources told The Express Tribune that a working group on downstream policy issues recently held a meeting under the [more >>](#)

'Gas cuts to CPPs will be disastrous'

Source: [Gohar Ali Khan](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-08

KARACHI: Large and medium-sized industrialists have urgently called on the government to reconsider a recent decision to suspend gas supply to captive power plants (CPPs). They warn that this move could shut down over 1,300 factories, displace over three million workers, and lead to a severe economic crisis following a sharp decline in exports. Chairman of the Pakistan Textile Council, Fawad Anw..... [more >>](#)

Consumers set to pay Rs8.7b for idle IPPs

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

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) is likely to impose an additional burden of Rs8.7 billion on power consumers, primarily to compensate those Independent Power Plants (IPPs) that remained idle and did not generate a single unit of electricity. The government recently terminated contracts with some IPPs to avoid capacity payments. Discussions are ongoing with ano..... [more >>](#)

Electricity tariffs go down... at the PBS

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-04

Electricity consumers in Pakistan paid lesser this year in October than a year ago. And only 5 percent higher than last month. This is despite the Prime Minister's and Punjab Chief Minister's generous respective electricity subsidy schemes no longer in play, having lapsed in September. Credit must be given to the authorities in Islamabad for working tirelessly to bring electricity tari..... [more >>](#)

Economic consequences of shutting gas supply to industrial self-generation facilities

Source: [Kamran Arshad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-04

Industrialization is the backbone of economic growth, fueling GDP, enhancing export growth, and creating employment opportunities. Energy lies at the heart of this process. In many ways, energy is the economy, as it underpins productivity and innovation, fueling economic growth and prosperity. History bears witness to this, with the coal-powered Industrial Revolution and the oil-driven expansion o..... [more >>](#)

Remaining 18 IPPs; Row over figures main hurdle to talks

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-05

ISLAMABAD: Although, the Task Force on Energy has terminated or amended agreements with 13 IPPs, (five thermals, eight baggasse), talks with the remaining 18 IPPs of 1994 and 2002 are not heading towards a resolution as both sides are challenging each other's figures, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. The Task Force headed by Minister for Power, Sardar Awais Khan Leghari com..... [more >>](#)

Petroleum sales rebound

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-05

In October 2024, Pakistan's oil marketing companies (OMCs) saw a significant boost in petroleum sales, reaching 1.49 million tons—the highest in 23 months. This was equivalent to an 18 percent year-over-year increase, which highlights growth in demand across key fuel categories, fueled by reduced prices and seasonal agricultural demand. High-Speed Diesel (HSD) led the surge, with sa..... [more >>](#)

FPCCI emphasises amendments & updates in Petroleum Act 1934

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-05

KARACHI: Atif Ikram Sheikh, President FPCCI, has appreciated Senator Musadik Malik, Federal Petroleum Minister and the Director General of Explosives at Ministry of Petroleum for responding to the concerns of trade and industry vis-à-vis the definition, handling, storage and licensing requirements of liquid hydrocarbon, mixed hydrocarbons and any other material or mixture containing hydroca..... [more >>](#)

PPL secures 10-year lease for Sui gas field

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-05

KARACHI: The Pakistan Petroleum Limited (PPL) has disclosed that the competent authority has approved grant of Development and Production Lease (D&PL) over the Sui gas field to the company (100 percent working interest), covering an area of 455.80 sq. km, for a period of ten years, effective from 1st June 2015 to 31st May 2025, in accordance with the Pakistan Onshore Petroleum (Exploration &am..... [more >>](#)

Federal govt decides to divide NTDC into three new companies

Source: [Imran Ali Kundi](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-10

ISLAMABAD - The federal government has decided to restructure and divide the National Transmission and Despatch Company into three new companies to ensure effective and low-cost power supply to consumers across the country. Addressing a news conference, Federal Minister for Power Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari said that NTDC would be divided into three new companies, as the Corporation needs maj..... [more >>](#)

Power 'relief' package

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-10

Another reactive approach is being sought to address Pakistan's energy crisis, but this time, citizens' hands are being forced to consume more electricity under the illusion of relief. The new Bijli Sahulat Package, which promises discounts on incremental usage over the winter months, pressures consumers to increase consumption to benefit from the lower rates. With energy costs already a m..... [more >>](#)

E&P firms dogged by uncertainty

Source: Zafar Bhutta, [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-10

ISLAMABAD: An uncertain situation has afflicted oil and gas exploration and production (E&P) companies over a prolonged delay in implementing the policies approved during the last caretaker government. At that time, the Council of Common Interests approved an increase in gas allocation to third parties by E&P companies from 10% to 35%. Additionally, it green-lighted a tight gas policy, f..... [more >>](#)

Incentivising consumption

Source: Ammar Habib Khan, [The News, International](#), 2024-11-10

Pakistan has surplus power capacity, capacity costs of which are paid by all electricity consumers. Such capacity may be deemed as surplus due to successive years of low-growth, but it may not be considered surplus if the country starts growing at a rate which is a few percentage points higher than the population growth rate. Soon enough, any such surplus may turn into a deficit if planning remain..... [more >>](#)

Deal with 18 IPPs on take-and-pay mode likely in two weeks

Source: Khalid Mustafa, [The News, International](#), 2024-11-11

ISLAMABAD: The deal with 18 Independent Power Producers (IPPs) with a cumulative capacity to generate electricity of 4,267 MWs set up under 1994 and 2002 power policies on 'take and pay' mode for electricity purchase is likely to be inked in the next two weeks and this is how the government would save Rs70-100 billion a year. Chances are bright for a deal on switching the 18 IPPs to t..... [more >>](#)

Regulators keeping 15 Iesco vehicles, FIA told

Source: Khaleeq Kiani, [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-11

ISLAMABAD: The Islamabad Electric Supply Company (Iesco) has reported to the Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) that a fleet of its 15 vehicles was in use of the staff and officers of three key institutions or agencies required to ensure good governance and avoid misuse of public resources. The institutions and agencies using the Iesco's vehicles included the power division, the Power Pla..... [more >>](#)

Circular debt crisis

Source: Editorial, [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-11

It appears no amount of rate increases can rein in, let alone reverse, the pace of increase in circular debt, as new government data says total debt will rise past Rs2.4 trillion by the middle of 2025. Despite additional revenue, the government has still not addressed some significant problems, including electricity theft and inadequate bill recoveries, estimated at Rs637 billion for the current [more >>](#)

Power discipline

Source: Ammar Qaseem, [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-12

ELECTRICITY demand in the national grid plummeted by 17 per cent in August this year, compared to the same period last year. It is common to attribute the blame to unforeseen circumstances or incorrect forecasting, as is evident in the recent memoirs of former civil servant Salman Faruqi, who attributed the induction of a large number of IPPs in the national grid to incorrect projections of elect..... [more >>](#)

Fuel prices poised for second fortnightly rise

Source: Staff Reporter, [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-13

ISLAMABAD: For the second fortnight, the prices of major petroleum products — petrol and high-speed diesel (HSD) are estimated to go up again about Rs4-5 per litre from Nov 16 for a fortnight owing to higher international prices and import premium on petrol. Informed sources said the average prices of petrol and HSD increased in the international market by about \$1.7 and \$4.4 per ba..... [more >>](#)

Petrol price expected to go up again in Pakistan

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-13

Pakistan is likely to see an increase in petroleum product prices starting from November 16, 2024, as global market fluctuations impact local rates. According to Express News sources, the prices of petroleum products are expected to rise by up to Rs 6 per liter for the next 15 days. The price of petrol is projected to increase by Rs 2.50 per liter, while high-speed diesel (HSD) could see a rise o..... [more >>](#)

Winter gas supply schedule announced for Punjab, K-P

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-13

The Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) has introduced an updated winter gas supply plan designed to provide consumers with consistent, high-pressure gas during peak hours to meet seasonal needs. The revised schedule, effective from November 2024, specifies set time slots for gas availability, helping consumers plan cooking and heating activities around these periods, a local media outlet [more >>](#)

National gas distribution network again at high risk

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-14

ISLAMABAD: The country's national gas distribution network on Wednesday witnessed tremendous line pack pressure of over 5 billion cubic feet (bcf) putting the whole system in jeopardy which may lead to an unprecedented gas availability crisis if the main pipeline bursts because of the pressure. In the current month of November, 2024, the line pack pressure has surged to 5.097 bcf – a [more >>](#)

Pakistan power sector set to undergo major overhaul

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-14

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's long-standing energy woes are set to see transformative reforms, with an ambitious agenda aimed at addressing inefficiency, costly power generation, and poor planning in the power sector, said Power Minister Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari. Speaking at a seminar hosted by the British High Commission, Leghari outlined bold steps, including the introduction of the Independent S..... [more >>](#)

Nepa issues notice to K-Electric over net-metering violation

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-14

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepa) has issued a show cause notice to K-Electric (KE) over repeated non-compliance with directives regarding net-metering applications. The decision, announced on Wednesday, follows KE's failure to provide detailed information on rejected net-metering cases due to system overloads, a violation that Nepa deems inconsistent with..... [more >>](#)

POL prices to rise by Rs5.90/litre

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-14

ISLAMABAD: The federal government may raise the prices of petroleum products up to Rs5.90 per litre for the upcoming fortnight, starting from November 16. Sources said the ex-depot price of petrol may go up by Rs2.58 per litre from Rs248.38 to Rs250.96 per litre. Whereas, the ex-depot rate of high-speed diesel (HSD) may up by Rs5.91 per litre from Rs255.14 to Rs261.05 per litre. The pric..... [more >>](#)

FPCCI urges fair access to winter power relief

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-14

KARACHI: Acting president of the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI), Qurrat Ul Ain, has called for the government's recently announced winter electricity relief package to include small and medium enterprises (SMEs) without imposing the requirement of 100,000 units of consumption during the same period last year. She suggested that the Rs26/kWh tariff should app..... [more >>](#)

Will Pakistan's shale gas promise deliver?

Source: [Engr. Hussain Ahmad Siddiqui](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-11

With rising energy demands and dwindling conventional natural gas reserves, Pakistan's energy security has become a pressing issue. The country's potential for unconventional natural gas resources, such as shale gas and tight gas, has drawn increased attention over recent years. Discoveries of substantial shale gas and tight gas deposits have fueled optimism for Pakistan's energy..... [more >>](#)

Govt, IMF in a fix over energy sector issues

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-15

ISLAMABAD: The International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the government appeared to be in a fix over energy sector issues amid rising fears of a potential default-like situation in some blue-chip public sector entities, raising question marks over the quality and design of the \$7 billion loan programme signed only two months ago. The visiting IMF team, led by mission chief Nathan Porter, also [more >>](#)

Neelum-Jhelum's troubled portion to get Rs23bn repairs

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-15

ISLAMABAD: The government has decided to repair the faulty portion of the Headrace Tunnel (HRT) of the 969-megawatt Neelum-Jhelum Hydropower Project (NJHP) at an estimated cost of Rs23 billion, which would keep the plant unavailable to the national grid for another eight months. A meeting, presided over by Planning Minister Ahsan Iqbal on the orders of the prime minister, was told by internatio..... [more >>](#)

KE faces net metering complaints

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-15

ISLAMABAD: The country's power regulator has decided to issue notice to K-Electric the power utility that provides electricity to Karachi over complaints filed by consumers with regard to non-installation of net metering connections. Net metering is a billing arrangement that allows individuals or businesses who generate their own electricity typically from renewable sources like solar pan..... [more >>](#)

Repair work of head race tunnel of 969MW NJHPP to cost approximately Rs23b

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-15

ISLAMABAD - The repair work of head race tunnel (HRT) of 969MW Neelum Jhelum Hydropower Project (NJHPP) will cost approximately Rs23 billion and it will be completed in approximately eight months. While briefing the review meeting on the progress of the repair work on Neelum Jhelum Hydropower Project (NJHPP), the international panel of experts has recommended the laying of an adit (a horizontal o..... [more >>](#)

Infighting in Nepra worsens

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-06

ISLAMABAD: Internal fighting in the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepa), the power regulator, has intensified, evident from contrary decisions of the authority members. Earlier, the decisions on K-Electric generation tariff and baggasse –IPPs tariff made by Member (Tariff and Finance), Mathar Niaz Rana were challenged by the Authority's group of four led by the Ch..... [more >>](#)

Recovery of Rs8.718bn from consumers; Discos seek 48 paisas positive adjustment for Q1

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-07

ISLAMABAD: Power Distribution Companies (Discos) have sought positive adjustment of paisa 48 per unit to recover Rs8.718 billion from consumers of KE and Discos for first quarter of (July-September) of FY2024-25 under Quarterly Tariff Adjustment (QTA) mechanism. National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepa) is scheduled to conduct a public hearing online on November 20, 2024 on the petition..... [more >>](#)

Power consumption boost; 'Winter package' in limbo as conflicting claims about IMF assent emerge

Source: Mushtaq Ghumman, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-07

ISLAMABAD: The federal government's proposed 'Winter Package 2024' to enhance electricity consumption in winter months still hangs in the balance as conflicting claims are being made about its concurrence with the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Background interaction with officials indicates that the government wants to slash electricity tariff by Rs 7-8 per unit for all.... [more >>](#)

Discos' FCAs for Sept; Nepra approves Rs1.27 per unit negative adjustment

Source: Mushtaq Ghumman, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-07

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has approved negative adjustment of Rs1.27 per unit in Discos FCAs, to refund back Rs15.5 billion against billing for September 2024. The authority conducted the hearing in the matter on October 30, 2024. The CPPA-G had sought negative adjustment of paisa 71 per unit to refund Rs8.50 billion. The negative adjustment hall.... [more >>](#)

Petrochemical, chemical plants: criticality of CCPPs highlighted

Source: Recorder Report, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-07

KARACHI: The Overseas Investors Chamber of Commerce and Industry (OICCI) has recommended the Government to continue the co-generation captive power setup for process chemicals plants for their safe and sustainable operations. In a letter addressed to Musaddik Malik, Federal Minister of Energy (Petroleum Division), and Jam Kamal Khan (Federal Minister of Commerce), the OICCI has expressed con.... [more >>](#)

PM announces 100MW power supply for G-B

Source: APP, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-07

GILGIT: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Wednesday announced the immediate power supply of 100 megawatts for Gilgit Baltistan and Rs1 billion endowment fund for the universities students. The prime minister, who chaired the special meeting of the GB cabinet during his daylong visit here, expressed satisfaction and pleasure over the timely completion of Bubar Model Village, which he earlier in.... [more >>](#)

Power tariffs: Quarterly adjustment tanks

Source: BR Research, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-08

After the annual rebasing exercise carried out in July 2024, periodic tariff adjustments to the power tariffs were always going to be on the more moderate side. The first result is out and is an encouraging one. The power regulator Nepra is due to hear the power distributors' plea to make quarterly tariff adjustments for July-September 2024, and the amount in question is only Rs8.7 billion. Fo.... [more >>](#)

No gas for CPPs as per IMF terms; MoC moves PM for reversal of decision

Source: Mushtaq Ghumman, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-08

ISLAMABAD: The Commerce Ministry has approached the Prime Minister for reversal of federal government's decision to disconnect gas to Captive Power Plants (CPPs) as per understanding with International Monetary Fund (IMF) as implementation on the plan to be effective from January 1, 2025 would have adverse implications for exporters and further lose confidence of global buyers due to highly [more >>](#)

IPP claims contracts being negotiated 'forcibly'

Source: Mushtaq Ghumman, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-08

ISLAMABAD: M/s Sapphire Electric Company Limited (SECL) has said that this is the fourth time sovereign power contracts are being negotiated forcibly, offering termination of sovereign contracts and doing away with capacity payment if their proposals are accepted by the government. This assertion was conveyed by the company's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Shahid Abdullah in a letter to [more >>](#)

PM announces power relief 'winter package'Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman / Zulfiqar Ahmad, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-09

ISLAMABAD: At a time when electricity bills had become exorbitant and seemed to have reached a breaking point, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Friday announced a three-month electricity relief package for winter – December, January and February – providing a relief of up to Rs26.7 per unit for domestic, Rs15.5 for industrial and Rs22.71 for commercial consumers. Speaking at a fun..... [more >>](#)

CCP issues report on state of competition in power sector; Discos asked to strengthen MIRAD for better business planningSource: [Sohail Sarfraz, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-09

ISLAMABAD: The Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) has recommended Power Distribution Companies (Discos) to strengthen their Market Implementation and Regulatory Affairs Department (MIRAD) to enhance business planning, aligning with long-term goals for a competitive market. The CCP on Friday released its detailed research report titled "State of Competition in the Key Markets in Pa..... [more >>](#)

Power crisis and the way forwardSource: [Khalid Faizi, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-09

IPPs (independent power producers) were created under Government's power policies, which were promulgated over the years to attract investment into Pakistan's power sector on the basis of projected capacity growth and power demand planning by the Government. The investors executed standard concession agreements developed and guaranteed by the Government of Pakistan; and then raised fin..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan to slash winter power tariffs to spur demand, cut gas use: LeghariSource: [Reuters, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-10

KARACHI: Pakistan will reduce electricity tariffs during winter in a bid to boost consumption and cut the use of natural gas for heating, its power minister told Reuters on Saturday. The move is expected to provide relief to businesses and citizens, who have suffered from steep and sudden increases in electricity tariffs following energy sector reforms suggested by the International Monetary [more >>](#)

A belated 'Bijli Sahulat' packageSource: [Editorial, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-10

Finally, the prime minister has announced a power relief plan, 'Bijli Sahulat' package (a euphemism for 'winter package'), offering reduced electricity rates to consumers with a view to encouraging them to make increased use of electricity during low-demand winter season. The government has also announced that the reduced rates will be offered to domestic, commercial and in..... [more >>](#)

CPPs: govt must phase out 'preferential' treatmentSource: [Mobashir Sandila, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-10

For decades, Pakistan's energy landscape has been plagued by a growing reliance on captive power plants (CPPs). Initially introduced to address power shortages, CPPs have become symbols of inequality, fiscal drains, and environmental burdens. It's time for a decisive shift towards a more equitable and sustainable energy future. Globally, captive power is often a temporary solution..... [more >>](#)

Hydropower projects on canals; KP govt urged to revisit decisionSource: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-10

ISLAMABAD: Agricultural experts have requested the provincial government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa to reconsider the construction of hydropower projects on the irrigation canals, which are solely meant for irrigation purposes. Among others, Khan Faraz, an expert, informed a selected group of journalists on Saturday that Shamozaai Distributary of Machi Branch, Upper Swat Canal had been established [more >>](#)

CCP for sell-off of Discos or exploring PPPs

Source: [Sohail Sarfaz](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-11

ISLAMABAD: The Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) has recommended privatization of existing power distribution companies (DISCOs) or exploring public-private partnerships (PPPs). According to the CCP's report, "State of Competition in the Key Markets in Pakistan: Power Sector", the DISCOs have been a significant concern for successive governments, facing issues [more >>](#)

IPPs: even-handed govt approach?

Source: [Editorial](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-11

During a briefing to the Senate Standing Committee on Power, the co-chair of the Energy Task Force stated that the government expects to save up to Rs300 billion annually through negotiations with IPPs (independent power producers), potentially leading to a reduction of Rs2-3 per unit in electricity tariffs. While the government may achieve these savings after repeated negotiations, it's ess..... [more >>](#)

Disconnecting captive power: balancing between costs and efficiency

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

The more one writes about Pakistan's energy sector mess, the less it seems to cover. The latest issue involves the government's commitment to the IMF to end captive power generation by January 2025. This decision was made hastily, without thorough consideration, and now there are conflicting views within the energy ministry, with the power and petroleum divisions working at cross-purpo..... [more >>](#)

Power Division fails to deliver on PMO's tasks

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-13

ISLAMABAD: Power Division is said to have failed to comply with majority of tasks including establishment of competitive electricity market in the country, assigned through Task Management System (TMS) of Prime Minister Office (PMO), well-informed sources in Prime Minister Office told Business Recorder. The sources said, there were 147 tasks assigned to Power Division, of which 53 tasks have [more >>](#)

DFIs having interests in IPPs move Nepra

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-13

ISLAMABAD: The Development Finance Institutions (DFIs), with interests in Independent Power Producers (IPPs) have reportedly approached Chairman National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) for modification of tariff determinations to the extent required to reflect the change in the benchmark reference rate from London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) to Term SOFR+CAS (Credit Adjustment Spre..... [more >>](#)

Bijli Sahulat Package: Worth a try

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-13

The winter electricity package termed "Bijli Sahulat Package" has finally been approved around much fanfare. The IMF and other multilateral agencies are onboard as well for what appears to be a pilot project to assess the efficacy over three months this winter season. The government initially intended to spread the additional consumption incentive over six months, but the Fund insisted..... [more >>](#)

Decentralising power: a provincial pathway for Pakistan's energy future

Source: [Abubakar Ismail](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-15

Pakistan's energy sector is at a crossroads, with a decades-long struggle to privatise its Distribution Companies (Discos) coming up against structural challenges and political realities. Privatisation alone may not be the answer to

improving efficiency, reducing theft, or solving the complexities of regional demands and discrepancies in power usage. An alternative, more sustainable approach..... [more >>](#)

Renewable Energy

KP CM inaugurates solarisation project for public sector colleges

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-01

PESHAWAR - Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP), Ali Amin Khan Gandapur, inaugurated the solarisation project for government colleges in the province. Initially under this project, installation of a 10KVA solar system has been initiated in 80 government colleges, with already completed in 10 of them. The Chief Minister formally launched this important project in a ceremony held here at Gov..... [more >>](#)

Karachi mayor okays proposal to convert 9,000 KMC shops to solar energy

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-09

KARACHI: With over 9,000 shops in more than 50 markets under its management, the Karachi Metropolitan Corporation (KMC) plans to convert all these commercial facilities, including the historic 19th century Empress Market, to solar power, in a move to reduce electricity costs and promote environmental sustainability. The decision was announced by Mayor Barrister Murtaza Wahab while chairing a meet..... [more >>](#)

Solar boom hits DISCOs revenues LESCO consumers now generate 836MW through solar means

Source: [Aamir Naveed](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-10

LAHORE: Facing relentless electricity price hikes and heavy bills, Pakistani consumers have increasingly turned to solar power, leading to a 17% drop in grid power demand and sparking a revenue shortfall for distribution companies (DISCOs). And in an effort to stimulate consumers to use more electricity, the government on Friday announced the Bijli Sahulat Package, for residential, commercial an..... [more >>](#)

Rs55 billion MoUs signed by KP government to solarise official buildings, poor households

Source: [Bureau Report](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-10

PESHAWAR: Pakhtunkhwa Energy Development Organisation (Pedo) and Bank of Khyber have signed memorandums of understanding to launch two mega projects worth Rs55 billion to solarise all public buildings and provide solar units to low-income households. The MoUs signing ceremony was held at the Chief Minister's House. Chief Minister Ali Amin Khan Gandapur was also present on the occasion. The..... [more >>](#)

KP govt launches two solarization projects worth Rs55bn

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-10

PESHAWAR: The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government has initiated the execution of two mega solarization projects of Rs.55 billion for all public buildings and provision of solar units to households having low income, with the aim to overcome the electricity crisis and make the province load shedding free. Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs) were signed between Bank of Khyber (BOK) and Pakhtunkhwa En..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Engagement

MoUs News

75 Years Of Greener Together - Denmark And Pakistan Celebrate Diplomatic Milestone And Green Partnerships

Source: [Abdullah Hussain](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2024-11-11

Islamabad (Zohaib Mansha - Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 12 November, 2024) : To celebrate 75 years of diplomatic relations between Denmark and Pakistan, the Embassy of Denmark hosted a special reception under the theme "75 Years of Greener Together." The evening underscored a dual purpose - celebrating the enduring partnership between the two nations and reaffirming their commitment..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan, Denmark celebrate 75 years of diplomatic relations

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2024-11-11

ISLAMABAD, Nov 11 (APP): Federal Minister for Finance and Revenue, Senator Muhammad Aurangzeb attended a special reception celebrating 75 years of diplomatic relations between Pakistan and Denmark here Monday. The minister attended the reception at the invitation of Danish Ambassador to Pakistan, Jakob Linulf. The gathering included a delegation from Denmark, led by Denmark's State Secretary..... [more >>](#)

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Denmark to help unlock carbon market potential

Source: [APP](#), [The Express Tribune](#), [Islamabad](#), 2024-11-13

ISLAMABAD: The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and the Embassy of Denmark in Pakistan launched the second phase of their initiative, 'Unlocking the Potential of Carbon Markets in Pakistan', with a reception for diplomats, policymakers, and delegates. Danish Ambassador Jakob Linulf pointed out that the partnership has bridged knowledge gaps and strengthened collaboration..... [more >>](#)

Danish Embassy, SDPI Carbon Markets Project to bridge knowledge gaps, foster collaborations: Ambassador Linulf

Source: [APP](#), [The Nation](#), [Islamabad](#), 2024-11-13

ISLAMABAD - The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and the Embassy of Denmark in Pakistan, together launched the second phase of the knowledge partnership initiative titled "Unlocking the Potential of Carbon Markets in Pakistan." The launch of project was announced at reception of high-level delegates, diplomats, and policy makers of Pakistan, said a press release issued here..... [more >>](#)

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SDPI, Danish Embassy reveal second phase of knowledge partnership on Carbon Markets

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2024-11-12

ISLAMABAD, Nov 12 (SABAH): The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and the Embassy of Denmark in Pakistan, together launched the second phase of the knowledge partnership initiative titled “Unlocking the Potential of Carbon Markets in Pakistan.” The launch of project was announced at reception of high-level delegates, diplomats, and policy makers of Pakistan. Speaking at t..... [more >>](#)

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A number of MoUs signed to enhance Denmark, Pakistan green partnerships

Source: [Zubair Qureshi](#), [Pakistan Observer](#), 2024-11-13

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Denmark and SDPI Launch Second Phase to Boost Pakistan’s Carbon Market Potential

Source: [Admin](#), [Energy Update Magazine](#), 2024-11-13

ISLAMABAD: The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and the Embassy of Denmark in Pakistan have commenced the second phase of their initiative, Unlocking the Potential of Carbon Markets in Pakistan, aimed at enhancing industry and SME access to carbon markets. At a reception attended by diplomats, policymakers, and industry leaders, Danish Ambassador Jakob Linulf highlighted the project&r..... [more >>](#)

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Second phase of knowledge partnership on carbon markets launched

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-14

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SDC 2024

Gilani for relentless efforts, innovative approach to achieve sustainable dev goals

Source: [News Desk](#), [Pakistan Observer](#), 2024-11-05

Acting President Syed Yousuf Raza Gilani on Monday highlighting the country's multiple initiatives to achieve resilience and a sustainable future, called for relentless efforts, massive awareness, and an innovative approach to meet the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030. The acting president, addressing the inaugural plenary of the 27th Sustainable Development Conference organized by the..... [more >>](#)

Climate change threatens sustainable growth: Gilani

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-05

ISLAMABAD: Acting President and Senate Chairman Syed Yusuf Raza Gilani highlighted climate change as a pressing obstacle to Pakistan's sustainable development on Monday, urging a shift toward a climate-resilient food system to mitigate growing food insecurity. Addressing the nation's vulnerabilities, Gilani underscored the urgency of preparing Pakistan's agriculture sector to wi..... [more >>](#)

Pollution a 'serial killer' in Pakistan amid climate crisis

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-05

ISLAMABAD: In a stark address underscoring the escalating environmental crisis in Pakistan, Senator Sherry Rehman, chairperson of the Senate Standing Committee on Climate Change and Environmental Coordination, declared pollution a "serial killer". While acknowledging the transboundary pollution stemming from crop residue burning in India, she pointed out, "We cannot build a wall..... [more >>](#)

Climate change greatest obstacle to sustainable development: Gilani

Source: [Malik Asad](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-05

ISLAMABAD: Acting President and Senate Chairman Syed Yousuf Raza Gilani said climate change poses one of the country's greatest obstacles to sustainable development. He was speaking at the 27th sustainable development conference organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) in partnership with the Ministry of Climate Change under the theme 'From fragility to resilie..... [more >>](#)

Sustainable development conference begins

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-05

ISLAMABAD: The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI)'s sustainable development conference (SDC) scheduled for November 4-7 in Islamabad will host experts from across the region and the world to discuss pressing global issues for common solutions ensuring human betterment. According to a statement, the 27th SDC will be participated by acting President and Senate Chairman Syed Yousa..... [more >>](#)

Climate change: Challenges main obstacle to achieving sustainable development: Gilani

Source: [Tahir Amin | Abdul Rasheed Azad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-05

ISLAMABAD: Acting President and Senate Chairman Syed Yousuf Raza Gilani, on Monday, said Pakistan faced significant challenges from climate change, which were the main obstacle to achieving sustainable development. He was speaking at the inaugural plenary of the 27th Sustainable Development Conference (SDC) organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) in collaboration with the..... [more >>](#)

New Extended Fund Facility: Reforms may push country away from 'boom and bust' cycles: IMF

Source: [Tahir Amin](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-04

ISLAMABAD: The International Monetary Fund (IMF) Resident Representative in Pakistan, Esther Perez Ruiz, said latest reforms under the new Extended Fund Facility (EFF) are likely to push Pakistan away from "boom and bust"

cycles and put in place a macroeconomic model of sustainable growth. “One thing that will put the country on a sustainable path this time is the sense of owner..... [more >>](#)

Pollution a serial killer in Pakistan: Sherry Rehman

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-05

ISLAMABAD - Chairperson Senate Standing Committee on Climate Change and Environmental Coordination, Senator Sherry Rehman on Monday said pollution was a serial killer in Pakistan. She was speaking at the ‘Pioneering Solutions for Climate Resilience’ session at 27th Sustainable Development Conference (SDC) organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) in collaboration..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's 27th SDC conference begins today

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-04

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Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2024-11-03

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SDPI's flagship 27th Sustainable Development Conference highlighting fragility to resilience begins tomorrow

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2024-11-03

ISLAMABAD, Nov 03 (SABAH): The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI)'s flagship 27th Sustainable Development Conference (SDC), scheduled for November 4-7, 2024, in Islamabad will host international experts from across the region and the world to discuss pressing global issues for common solutions ensuring human betterment. This year's theme, “From Fragility to Resi..... [more >>](#)

Acting President Yousuf Raza Gilani calls for relentless efforts, massive awareness & an innovative approach to meet the SDGs by 2030

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2024-11-04

ISLAMABAD, Nov 04 (SABAH): Acting President and Chairman Senate Makhdoom Syed Yousuf Raza Gilani on Monday highlighting the country's multiple initiatives to achieve resilience and a sustainable future, called for relentless efforts, massive awareness, and an innovative approach to meet the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030. Syed Yousuf Raza Gilani addressing the inaugural plenary..... [more >>](#)

27th SDC To Host South Asian Stakeholders Including Regional Experts On Pressing Issues: Dr Suleri

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2024-11-04

ISLAMABAD, (APP – Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 1st Nov, 2024) Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) on Friday hosted the curtain raiser media briefing for its flagship 27th Sustainable Development Conference (SDC) to start on November 4 at the Pak China Friendship Center. The conference will convene national, regional, and international experts to discuss solutions to pressing glob..... [more >>](#)

'Pollution Serial Killer In Pakistan': Sherry Rehman APP - Associated Press Of Pakistan

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Source: [Web Desk](#), [China Connect](#), 2024-11-04

ISLAMABAD-PAKISTAN: Acting President and Senate Chairman Syed Yousuf Raza Gilani on Monday said Pakistan faced significant challenges from climate change, which were the main obstacles to achieving sustainable development. He was speaking at the inaugural plenary of the 27th Sustainable Development Conference (SDC) organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) in collaboration [more >>](#)

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Source: [Reporter](#), [Voice of Melange](#), 2024-11-04

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Source: [Shahid Maitla](#), [Bloom Pakistan](#), 2024-11-04

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Chinese firms seeking policy stability, security

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-06

ISLAMABAD: Chinese businesses on Tuesday called on the Pakistani government to enhance security for investors, prioritize one-window operations and ensure the continuation of supportive policies to foster industrialization and business growth in the country. Wang Huihui, Chairman of the China Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Pakistan (CCCPK), emphasized that Pakistan must create a secure inves..... [more >>](#)

Speakers deliberate on vital issues confronting Pakistan

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-06

ISLAMABAD: The second day of the Sustainable Development Conference (SDC) on Tuesday saw a number of panel discussions, with speakers deliberating on issues including regional connectivity, climate change, plastic waste management, women empowerment, debt justice, economic zones, textile industry and accountability. The conference is being organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute..... [more >>](#)

Govt committed to embracing digital transformation in all sectors: Minister

Source: [Tahir Amin](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-06

ISLAMABAD: Minister of State for IT and Telecommunication Shaza Fatima Khawaja has said that the present government is committed to embracing digital transformation in all sectors including agriculture and textiles. "We can enhance productivity, promote sustainability, and build resilience within our economy", she said, while addressing plenary titled, "Developing a Resilient Econ..... [more >>](#)

Comprehensive policy framework on HRs issues on the cards

Source: [Tahir Amin](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-06

ISLAMABAD: Chairperson Senate Committee on Human Rights, Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri on Tuesday announced plans to create a comprehensive policy framework aimed at addressing human rights issues, particularly those impacting labourers. The committee will collaborate with various stakeholders to formulate this framework, which will be presented to both the prime minister and the chief minister of [more >>](#)

Need stressed for promoting regional connectivity

Source: [Abdul Rasheed Azad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-06

ISLAMABAD: Speakers on Tuesday stressed the need to translate Pakistan's regional connectivity and infrastructure into economic incentives which has the potential to benefit entire region. Speaking at the 2nd day of the Sustainable Development Conference (SDC) organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) here, while deliberating on issues including regional connectivity,..... [more >>](#)

'Reforms key to economic stability'

Source: [Zaigham Naqvi](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-06

ISLAMABAD: Rana Ihsaan Afzal, the Coordinator to the Prime Minister on Implementation and Monitoring, said on Tuesday that the current government is committed to implementing significant fiscal reforms to ensure the completion of Pakistan's 21st International Monetary Fund (IMF) programme, which is the last lending facility the country has opted for. Afzal made these remarks during a sessi..... [more >>](#)

Business leaders' role in achieving sustainable development crucial: Romina

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-06

ISLAMABAD - Coordinator to Prime Minister on Climate Change, Romina Khurshid Alam said that the present government was committed to boost collaboration with various stakeholders involving countries and non-governmental organizations for achieving sustainable development goals. During her meeting on Tuesday with a high-profile six-member delegation from Yuanhe Holdings and the Green and Low-Carb..... [more >>](#)

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Chinese Firms Seek Policy Stability and Enhanced Security in Pakistan

Source: [TFD Desk](#), [The Financial Daily](#), 2024-11-06

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Business Leaders' Role In Achieving Sustainable Development Crucial: Romina

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2024-11-06

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Pakistan had always been leveraging its geographical location to determine our foreign policy: Khurram Dastgir Khan

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2024-11-06

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'Pakistan most deserving country for climate grants ': Justice Jawad

Source: [Web Editor](#), [Pakistan Page](#), 2024-11-06

ISLAMABAD: Justice Jawad Hassan of the Lahore High Court in a high-level plenary titled 'Legal Framework of Climate Finance' at the 27th Sustainable Development Conference (SDC) here on Monday said Pakistan was the most deserving country for climate grants. He said it was important to know what climate financing law was in Pakistan and what the legal framework Pakistan had offered, sai..... [more >>](#)

Experts discuss climate action, economic growth challenges for Pakistan at 27th SDC

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2024-11-05

ISLAMABAD, Nov 05 (APP): The second day of the Sustainable Development Conference (SDC) saw a number of panel discussions, with speakers deliberating on issues including regional connectivity, climate change, plastic waste management, women empowerment, debt justice, economic zones, textile industry and accountability. The conference is being organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institu..... [more >>](#)

SDPI Conference 2024 Highlights Regional Connectivity, Climate Change, and Women Empowerment in South Asia

Source: [Iqra Khan](#), [Bloom Pakistan](#), 2024-11-05

Islamabad, Nov 5: SDPI Conference 2024 Highlights Regional Connectivity, Climate Change, and Women Empowerment in South Asia. The second day of the Sustainable Development Conference (SDC) saw a number of panel discussions, with speakers deliberating on issues including regional connectivity, climate change, plastic waste management, women empowerment, debt justice, economic zones, textile industr..... [more >>](#)

Role of Business Leaders Essential for Achieving Sustainable Development, Says Romina

Source: [Iqra Khan](#), [Bloom Pakistan](#), 2024-11-05

Islamabad, Nov 5: Role of Business Leaders Essential for Achieving Sustainable Development, Says Romina. According to Romina Khurshid Alam, Prime Minister's Climate Change Coordinator, the current administration is dedicated to strengthening cooperation with different stakeholders, including nations and non-governmental organizations, in order to accomplish sustainable development objectives..... [more >>](#)

The second day of the Sustainable Development Conference (SDC)

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SDPI; Panel discussions on regional connectivity, debt justice, jobs and accountability

Source: [Tahir Amin | Abdul Rasheed Azad, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-08

ISLAMABAD: Scientists, academics and industry experts came together in a panel discussion on Thursday and spoke on the urgent need to strengthen the country's agricultural infrastructure to withstand the increasing impacts of climate change. The session titled, "Transforming Food Systems for Climate-Resilient Food Security in Pakistan" was organised by the Sustainable Development..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's economy heading towards right direction: minister

Source: [Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-08

ISLAMABAD: Minister for Petroleum and Water Resources Musadik Masood Malik has said that Pakistan is heading towards the right direction as it has successfully controlled inflation, achieved substantial growth in agriculture sector and witnessed an increase in foreign reserves. He was speaking at the concluding plenary of the four-day Sustainable Development Conference organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) in collaboration with the [more >>](#)

Experts propose measures to achieve sustainable targets

Source: [Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-07

ISLAMABAD: Amid sluggish growth and increasing poverty ratio in the country, experts on Wednesday recommended certain measures to policymakers that focused on achieving sustainable targets and plugging loopholes in a number of sectors that impeded economic growth. Panel discussions, policy dialogue, roundtables and thematic sessions continued on the third day of the ongoing Sustainable Development Conference organised by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) in collaboration with the [more >>](#)

Govt to auction or send back polluted cargo: minister

Source: [Tahir Amin, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-07

ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for Maritime Affairs Qaiser Ahmed Sheikh revealed on Wednesday that thousands of tonnes of cargo were dumped at Karachi Port, saying the government was planning to either auction or send back polluted cargo to its originated countries as they were producing waste and pollution. Complaints were received that developed countries dumped polluted cargo at Karachi Port having..... [more >>](#)

Economic growth: Experts recommend measures to policymakers

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Green financing, climate resilience: OICCI holds dialogue to foster private sector-led solutions

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Crop residue, other agri issues; Speakers propose establishment of 'SAARC Agriculture Centre'

Source: [Tahir Amin](#), [Business Recorder](#), [Islamabad](#), 2024-11-07

ISLAMABAD: Speakers at a panel discussion titled, "Inclusive Crop Residue Management and Sustainable Agriculture" have proposed the establishment of a SAARC Agriculture Centre among SAARC countries to address crop residue and other agricultural challenges in the region. They also emphasised the need for a robust national policy that involves farmers as key stakeholders in the deci..... [more >>](#)

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Lawmakers stress need to strengthen LG system

Source: [Zaigham Naqvi](#), [The Express Tribune](#), [Islamabad](#), 2024-11-07

ISLAMABAD: Parliamentarians on Wednesday urged the government and the electoral watchdog to hold the local government elections as it was unfortunate that the system was not being strengthened, particularly in Punjab where elections had not been held at the grassroot level since 2021. They were speaking at a session titled, 'Local Government System in Pakistan: From Challenges to Resilience&..... [more >>](#)

SIE 2024: Private sector drives green change for sustainable Pakistan

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OICCI leads pre-COP29 dialogue on private sector's role in Pakistan's climate action

Source: [Monitoring Desk](#), [Profit](#), 2024-11-06

ISLAMABAD, Nov 06 (APP): As the second edition of the Sustainability Investment Expo (SIE 2024) is underway here at Pak-China Friendship Centre, the event features a variety of eco-friendly initiatives from the private sector aimed at creating a greener Pakistan. With the theme "Pioneering Solutions for Climate Resilience," the expo was inaugurated by Chairperson Senate Standing Com..... [more >>](#)

Experts Propose Measures To Achieve Sustainable Targets

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Experts propose measures to achieve sustainable targets

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OICCI Hosts Pre-COP29 Dialogue to Amplify Private Sector Climate Action Initiatives

Source: [Iqra Khan](#), [Bloom Pakistan](#), 2024-11-06

Islamabad, Nov 6: OICCI Hosts Pre-COP29 Dialogue to Amplify Private Sector Climate Action Initiatives. The Overseas Investors Chamber of Commerce and Industry (OICCI) hosted a high-level discussion at the 27th Sustainable Development Conference to support private sector-led solutions for climate resilience and green financing as Pakistan faces the urgent challenges of climate change. Leaders from..... [more >>](#)

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Pakistan suffers '\$100bn loss' due to climate change

Source: [Tahir Amin](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-08

ISLAMABAD: Amid political and economic challenges, environmental conflicts have further exacerbated the situation for Pakistan, inflicted loss of \$100 billion during the last two decade due to climate change compared to around \$130 billion total external debt since the country's creation. This was the crux of a thematic session titled, "Environmental conflict and social dialogue in Pa..... [more >>](#)

Climate change: Experts underscore need for strengthening agri infrastructure

Source: [Tahir Amin | Abdul Rasheed Azad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-08

ISLAMABAD: Scientists, academics and industry experts came together in a panel discussion on Thursday and spoke on the urgent need to strengthen the country's agricultural infrastructure to withstand the increasing impacts of climate change. The session titled, "Transforming Food Systems for Climate-Resilient Food Security in Pakistan" was organised by the Sustainable Developmen..... [more >>](#)

'Economic resurgence': govt spells out its achievements

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ISLAMABAD: Minister for Petroleum Musadik Masood Malik on Thursday said Pakistan was heading towards the right direction as it had successfully controlled inflation, achieved substantial growth in agriculture sector and witnessed an increase in foreign reserves. He was speaking at the concluding plenary of the four-day Sustainable Development Conference organised by the Sustainable Development [more >>](#)

Pakistan Now On Track Of Economic Growth: Minister

Source: [Mohammad Ali](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2024-11-07

ISLAMABAD, (Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 7th Nov, 2024) Minister for Petroleum and Water Resources Musadik Masood Malik on Thursday said Pakistan was heading in the right direction as it had successfully controlled inflation, achieved substantial growth in agriculture sector and witnessed a raise increase in forex reserves. He was speaking at the concluding plenary of the four-day Sustainable Develo..... [more >>](#)

Romina Emphasizes Support For Vulnerable Communities In Climate Initiatives At Global Stage In Baku

Source: [Mohammad Ali](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2024-11-07

ISLAMABAD, (Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 7th Nov, 2024) Coordinator to the Prime Minister on Climate Change, Romina Khurshid Alam reaffirmed Pakistan's dedication to advocating for climate finance, technology transfer, and capacity building for vulnerable communities during her remarks at the concluding plenary of the four-day conference organized by the Sustainable Development Policy I..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan commits to building community resilience against climate change: Romina

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2024-11-07

ISLAMABAD, Nov 07 (APP): Coordinator to the Prime Minister on Climate Change Romina Khurshid Alam on Thursday said Pakistan was committed to bringing resilience at the community level against adverse impacts of climate change. She was speaking at the concluding plenary of the four-day Sustainable Development Conference organized by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) here, accord..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan has taken right measures for economic growth: minister

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Pakistan faces \$100 billion loss from climate change in two decades

Source: [Monitoring Desk](#), [Profit](#), 2024-11-08

Pakistan has suffered a staggering \$100 billion loss due to climate change over the past two decades, nearly equaling the country's external debt of around \$130 billion. Experts highlighted these figures during a session on "Environmental Conflict and Social Dialogue in Pakistan," organized by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), where t..... [more >>](#)

National grid under pressure after consumers switching to solar energy: experts

Source: [DNA](#), [Daily Islamabad Post](#), 2024-11-08

ISLAMABAD, NOV 8 (DNA): Consumers switching to self-generated power, especially solar energy, has put Pakistan's national energy infrastructure under growing pressure, endangering the grid's long-term sustainability and stability, experts said. At the Sustainable Development Policy Institute's (SDPI) annual plenary on Thursday, experts encouraged policymakers to create a compreh..... [more >>](#)

'Govt taking steps for reclaiming sustainable development'

Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-09

Islamabad: Senator Musadik Masood Malik has said that the government was taking right steps for reclaiming the country's economy to achieve sustainable development and resilient future for the coming generations with better living and livelihood conditions. Senator Malik was addressing the closing session of the 4-day 27th Sustainable Development Conference (SDC) 2024 hosted by the Sustainab..... [more >>](#)

Strategic philanthropy crucial for Pakistan's social progress

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-09

Islamabad: Experts at a policy dialogue have called for a shift towards strategic philanthropy in Pakistan, emphasising the need to align funding with local needs, promote financial literacy for women in rural areas, and foster collaboration across sectors. Highlighting Pakistan's strong charitable tradition, the experts urged data-driven approaches to tackle issues such as gender inequality, [more >>](#)

Senator Unveils plans for human rights policy framework to support labourers

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Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri unveils plans for human rights policy framework to support labourers

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2024-11-10

ISLAMABAD, Nov 09 (SABAH): Senate Committee on Human Rights Chairperson Samina Mumtaz Zehri has announced plans to create a comprehensive policy framework aimed at addressing human rights issues, particularly those impacting labourers. The committee will collaborate with various stakeholders to formulate this framework, which will be presented to both the prime minister and the chief minister of [more >>](#)

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Pakistan seeks \$13m from WHO for climate resilience training

Source: [Bakhtawar Mian](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-11

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan is seeking a \$13 million grant from the World Health Organisation (WHO) to enhance training programmes designed to bolster climate resilience within health systems. The demand for the grant arose after the country completed a vulnerability assessment survey with the support of international donors. Director of Nutrition at the Ministry of National Health Services Dr Mehre..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan seeks \$13m WHO grant to strengthen climate resilience

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REGIME gurus claim to have put us on the path of progress — except that all past regimes falsely claimed this too. Progress includes not only economic stability and durable growth but also equity and sustainability. Each earlier trait is necessary but not sufficient to produce the latter ones. So far, we have only regained economic stability after the 2022 crisis, with falling inflation a..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan pursues \$13 million for health climate resilience training

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ISLAMABAD: The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and the embassy of Denmark have launched the second phase of the knowledge partnership initiative, “Unlocking the potential of carbon markets in Pakistan.” The launch of the project was announced at a reception of delegates, diplomats and policymakers of Pakistan. Speaking at the inception, Ambassador of Denmark Jakob Lin..... [more >>](#)

Gender-inclusive policies in AJK amid growing climate threats stressed

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-14

Islamabad: A report on Climate Change Gender Action Plan (CCGAP) for Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJ&K) highlights the disproportionate impact of climate change on women in the region, exposing them to intensified risks related to livelihood security, health, education and personal safety, including an increased likelihood of gender-based violence. Authored by Ayesha Khan and Huzaifa Khan and publi..... [more >>](#)

‘Continuous rollovers made debt increasingly unsustainable’

Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-15

Islamabad: MNA Mirza Ikhtiar Baig, member Standing Committee on Revenue and Finance has said that in Pakistan, continuous rollovers made the debt increasingly unsustainable and now Pakistan borrows debt simply to repay previous loans. Mr Baig was giving welcoming remarks at 3-day workshop on “Unlocking debt and development: a layman's guide on public debt” organised here by Sustain..... [more >>](#)

SDPI Articles

A dangerous precedent

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Pakistan's tobacco industry is advancing a contentious plan to manufacture and export 10-pack cigarettes, commonly referred to as 'kiddie packs', to Sudan under a \$20 million deal. This plan also includes a long-term goal of establishing a tobacco manufacturing facility in Sudan. Both Pakistan and Sudan are parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) and th..... [more >>](#)

A COP to seize

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C OP-29 is more than just another climate conference- it's a pivotal moment, especially for developing nations like Pakistan, where the stakes are higher than ever. The global community continues to grapple with the devastating effects of climate change. This year presents an unparalleled opportunity for countries on the front lines of the crisis..... [more >>](#)

Why power-sector reforms fail

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-02

Pakistan's power sector has long been a tale of reforms that promise much but deliver little. Despite decades of policy interventions aimed at boosting energy generation, reducing losses, and reforming cost recovery, the country remains

mired in an energy crisis that undermines economic growth and burdens its population. The power capacity trap, rising tariffs, and unsustainable circular deb..... [more >>](#)

Survival and sustainability

Source: [Umaima Ahmed](#), [Pakistan Today](#), 2024-11-09

Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) play a pivotal role in Pakistan's economy, contributing significantly to its Gross Domestic Product (GDP). As of 2021, nearly 5.2 million SMEs operated in Pakistan, representing 90 percent of private businesses. SMEs account for 25 percent of manufacturing exports and employ 78 percent of the non-agricultural workforce, contributing 30 percent to Pakistan's..... [more >>](#)

Women in focus

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In Pakistan, climate change is no distant concern; it's part of the reality we live every day. It is seen playing out on the faces of rural women burdened with longer walks to fetch water from wells running dry. It is heard in the whispers of coastal communities worried about creeping sea levels and, in bustling urban areas, increasingly scorching..... [more >>](#)

Our missing climate champions

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In Pakistan, climate change isn't just a distant concern or the subject of summits; it's part of the reality we live every day. As a policy analyst, I see it play out on the faces of rural women burdened with heavier, longer walks to fetch water from wells running dry. I hear it in the whispers of coastal communities worried about creeping sea levels and, in our bustling urban areas, [more >>](#)

COP29: resilience or fragility?

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

As world leaders gather in Baku today for the UNFCCC COP29, the urgency for decisive climate action has never been greater. This gathering offers a vital opportunity to shift from vulnerability to resilience, setting the foundation for a sustainable and equitable future. Historically, there have been certain defining moments that have shaped societies, steering them toward progress or decline. To..... [more >>](#)

Tobacco taxes – treaties, tensions, and trends

Source: [Syed Ali Wasif Naqvi](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-13

Pakistan faces a pressing need for a sustainable tobacco taxation policy, particularly as tobacco use imposes severe health and economic burdens on the country. With over 160,000 deaths annually due to tobacco-related illnesses and healthcare costs that exceed PKR 700 billion, the lack of a coherent taxation policy is impacting public health and the economy. Despite the growing toll, tobacco taxes..... [more >>](#)

Analysis: Pakistan's COP29 priorities

Source: [Shafqat Kakakhel](#), [ARY News](#), 2024-11-12

With the latest UN climate conference – COP29 in Baku, Azerbaijan, 11-22 November – the government of Pakistan is gearing up to make its case before the world. Pakistani civil society organisations have also become involved, holding stakeholder consultations. One such meeting was convened in the week of 14 October by the Institute of Strategic Studies, to highlight the issues to be negotiated..... [more >>](#)

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Pakistan's rural infrastructure is inadequate

Source: [Imran Mukhtar](#), [D+C.eu](#), 2024-11-08

The 2023 census showed that 147 million people (or 61 % of the population) live in villages. Due to rural-urban migration, however, the cities are growing fast. According to the central government's most recent economic survey, agriculture contributes 24 % to gross domestic product and 37 % to employment. The World Bank has stated that the country's "vast [more >>](#)

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Green financing crucial for climate action: experts

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2024-11-07

KARACHI: Speakers on Wednesday discussed the importance of green financing for strengthening private-sector climate action in Pakistan. As the country faces the growing threat of climate change, the Overseas Investors Chamber of Commerce and Industry (OICCI) hosted a dialogue at the 27th Sustainable Development Conference. The goal was to promote private sector-led solutions for green financing a..... [more >>](#)

Inadequate spectrum availability stifles telecom sector's growth in Pakistan

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

Inadequate spectrum availability in Pakistan severely hinders network performance and stifles the growth of telecommunications services. Talking to WealthPK, Ahad Nazir, an associate research fellow at the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), said that one of the primary obstacles service providers face is the government's reluctance to release sufficient spectrum. "When t..... [more >>](#)

AJK Climate Action Report Calls For Gender-inclusive Policies Amid Growing Climate Threats

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MIRPUR, (APP - Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 10th Nov, 2024) A groundbreaking report on the Climate Change Gender Action Plan (CCGAP) for Azad Jammu and Kashmir(AJ&K) highlights the disproportionate impact of climate change on women in the region, exposing them to intensified risks related to livelihood security, health, education, and personal safety, including an increased likelihood of gend..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's Climate Change Ministry, GGGI sign pact to mobilise green finance for climate action

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2024-11-14

BAKU, Nov 14 (APP): Ministry of Climate Change & Environmental Coordination and Global Green Growth Initiative signed a four-year (2024-2028) Country Programme Framework agreement to advance Pakistan's sustainable development goals through targeted climate action and green growth interventions. The formal signing ceremony was organized at the Pakistan Pavilion at the UN-led Global Clim..... [more >>](#)

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Global experts push for int'l Climate Finance Strategies for Sustainable Development in Pakistan

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2024-11-14

BAKU, Nov 14 (APP): Amid the 29th meeting of Conference of the Parties (COP29) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change is underway, the global experts emphasized on mobilizing international climate finance for sustainable development, and private sector involvement in climate resilience in vulnerable countries like Pakistan. Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri, Executive Director of the S..... [more >>](#)

Seminar News

Baig calls for boosting FDI, exports to strengthen foreign reserves

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2024-11-14

ISLAMABAD - "To boost foreign reserves, efforts are required for raising FDI and exports, as remittances are already at a record-high level," Mirza Ikhtiar Baig, Member National Assembly, said this at a session titled "Unlocking Debt and Development: A Layman's Guide on Public Debt" organised by Sustainable Development Policy Institute, on Wednesday. Mirza Ikhtiar [more >>](#)

Continuous rollovers have made debt increasingly unsustainable in Pakistan: Ikhtiar Baig

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To Boost Foreign Reserves, Efforts Required For Raising FDI & Exports; Ikhtiar Baig

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2024-11-13

ISLAMABAD, (APP - Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 13th Nov, 2024) Member of National Assembly (MNA) & Standing Committee on Finance and Revenue Mirza Ikhtiar Baig on Wednesday said to boost foreign reserves, efforts are required for raising FDI and exports, as remittances are already at a record-high level. He was speaking, at a session titled, "Unlocking Debt and Development: A Layman&#..... [more >>](#)

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