



Pakistan's Energy Transition



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
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- Oil and gas sector
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- CEPC Energy projects
- Energy finance and economics
- SDPIs Events, visits, publications

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Energy Governance

Fuel cost component of CPPA-G & KE's RLNG power plants comparable for Dec 2024: KE

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-10

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KE cracks down on electricity theft in Gadap, removes 645 illegal connections

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-15

The K-Electric continues its efforts against electricity theft and unpaid bills. With the support of law-enforcement agencies, the power utility carried out an anti-theft drive in Gadap, removing 645 illegal connections (kundas) weighing a total of 800 kilogrammes from K-Electric's infrastructure. According to a press statement from the power utility issued on Friday, these illegal connecti..... [more >>](#)

Water, power and politics

Source: [Syed Mohibullah Shah](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-13

How can we grow and prosper together? Is this question truly so difficult that we have yet to find a wise and effective answer? In reality, our democratic and federal constitution already provides both the answer and the strategy for inclusive development. It goes even further, urging us all to be generous and extend a helping hand to our country's underdeveloped regions and people. Yet, we s..... [more >>](#)

Suki Kinari power project: Landowners demand Rs1.16b in pending payments

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-03

MANSEHRA: The people whose land was acquired for the Suki Kinari Hydropower project on Sunday demanded the government to release their outstanding payment of Rs1.16 billion. "This mega energy project, built on the Kunhar River in Kaghan valley, will soon help address the electricity shortfall in the country, yet we have not received compensation for our land, which was acquired in 2017,&rdq..... [more >>](#)

TDS claims of KE & KWSC; MoF seeks report from PD on mediation pact overhaul

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-15

ISLAMABAD: The Ministry of Finance has sought progress report from the Power Division on amendments to mediation agreement pertaining to claims of K-Electric for Tariff Differential Subsidy (TDS) and Karachi Water and Sewerage Corporation and payables of KE to different SOEs such as CPPA-G/ NTDC and SSGC, official sources told Business Recorder. The Power Division briefed the forum that in or..... [more >>](#)

Discos' death spiral

Source: [Discos' death spiral](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-01

PAKISTAN — where the sun shines nearly 3,000 hours a year — is experiencing a solar revolution like never before. With 22 GW of solar panels imported in the last 18 months, Pakistan's energy landscape is being transformed rapidly. Yet, this unprecedented 'solar rush' poses a paradox: while the sun gives hope of energy independence, it also threatens to plunge the nati..... [more >>](#)

Fuel prices cut by up to Rs5.3 per litre

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-01

ISLAMABAD: The government on Friday reduced the prices of all petroleum products by up to Rs5.31 per litre with immediate effect for the next fortnight ending March 15. On the other hand, the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) notified a decrease in the price of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) by Rs6.15 per kg for March. In a late-night announcement, the Ministry of Finance said Ogr..... [more >>](#)

Despite SNGPL warning; LDPL says unable to pay dues on time

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-01

ISLAMABAD: Despite a warning from Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) regarding the suspension of gas supply due to non-payment of outstanding dues exceeding Rs 19 billion, Liberty Daharki Power Limited (LDPL) has expressed its inability to settle the amount on time, due to limited payments received from the Central Power Purchasing Agency (CPPA-G), sources informed Business Recorder. [more >>](#)

Petrol price cut by Re0.50, HSD's by Rs5.31

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-01

ISLAMABAD: The government on Friday slashed prices of petroleum products with reduction of a price of high speed diesel up to Rs 5.31 per litre, following fluctuation in global oil prices, from March 1, 2025. Through a notification, the government has reduced prices of high speed diesel, motor spirit, superior kerosene oil and light diesel oil from March 1, 2025. Following recommendation..... [more >>](#)

Fatal accidents: Nepra imposes Rs10m fine on NTDC over negligence

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-02

ISLAMABAD: National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has imposed a penalty of Rs 10 million on the National Transmission and Despatch Company (NTDC) due to its negligence in two fatal incidents. The first fatal incident occurred on October 24, 2022, when electrician Zain ul Abedeen died while performing routine work at the 500-kV Dadu Grid Station. Another fatal accident took place..... [more >>](#)

Iesco to ensure power supply during Ramazan: official

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-02

ISLAMABAD: To ensure power supply continuity during the holy month of Ramazan, Islamabad Electric Supply Company (Iesco) has established a control room in the capital. Iesco Chief Executive Officer Mohammad Naeem Jan has stated that in light of the federal government and Ministry of Energy and Power Division's directives regarding power continuity to customers during the holy month, Iesco h..... [more >>](#)

Karachiites' first fast marred by gas outages

Source: [Tahir Siddiqui](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-03

KARACHI: The absence of cooking gas on the first day of Ramazan piled misery on people in the city as the Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) completely failed to deliver on its promises to provide uninterrupted supply during Sehri and Iftar. Like the electricity supply in the city, gas also played a hide-and-seek game with people all day in almost every locality on Sunday, driving them up the wall..... [more >>](#)

The rise of hydropower in Pakistan's grid game

Source: [Engr. Hussain Ahmad Siddiqui](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-03

In 2024, Pakistan's installed power generation capacity remained at 42,131MW from all energy resources, generating 92,091 GWh throughout the year. Of this, hydropower, through most of its 33 installations in the public and private sectors, contributed 10,681MW to the national grid, accounting for 25.4 per cent of total capacity and generating 29,167GWh, representing 31.7 per cent of total el..... [more >>](#)

Money Matters Beyond the meter: notes from KE

Source: [Imran Rana, The News, International](#) , 2025-03-03

Our city's story is inextricably and inevitably linked with the utilities that have supported its growth. There have been improvements in various sectors serving the city, even though from the outside, the story may look bleak. And one can justify it given the current discourse on the sector and its overwhelming challenges, which trickle down to our bustling megalopolis as well. But the fact..... [more >>](#)

KE launches EPIC to foster innovation, localisation in energy sector

Source: [News Desk, The News, International](#) , 2025-03-03

Committed to fostering creativity, innovation and localisation in the energy sector, K-Electric has launched Energy Progress & Innovation Challenge (EPIC) 2025, according to a press release issued by the power company. Building on the resounding success of its pioneering 7/11+ Innovation Challenge introduced in 2022, EPIC will unite entrepreneurs, academia, researchers and think tanks to deve..... [more >>](#)

PM takes notice of gas loadshedding during Sehr, Iftar

Source: [News Desk, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-03

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has intervened to address the ongoing issues of gas supply disruptions during sehri and iftar in the month of Ramadan, directing immediate action to ensure a smooth and uninterrupted flow of gas during critical hours. In a late-night emergency meeting, the prime minister convened discussions with the managing directors and senior management of SSGC and SNGPL to adre..... [more >>](#)

Karachi gas supply to improve during Sehri hours: SSGC

Source: [News Desk, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-03

Gas supply in Karachi is expected to improve during sehri hours following emergency measures taken on the prime minister's directives, the acting managing director of Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) said on Monday. Amin Rajput, the acting MD of SSGC, said the supply had already shown improvement and would further stabilise from today. The assurance comes after residents reported severe gas s..... [more >>](#)

SSGC disconnects 346 illegal gas connections

Source: [Our Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-03

ISLAMABAD - The Sui Southern Gas Company Ltd (SSGC) has arrested two persons responsible for tampering and puncturing SSGC's main transmission line and disconnected 346 illegal gas connections. The Sui Southern Gas Company Ltd has made it the company's mission to uproot all gas theft from the society, said a press statement issued here by the company. The company's Security Servi..... [more >>](#)

Electricity tariffs rebasing plan shelved

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-03

ISLAMABAD: The government has shelved its plan to rebase electricity tariffs from January 1 each year, instead of the current July 1 timeline, after the International Monetary Fund (IMF) refused to endorse the scheme, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. On January 17, 2025, the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet had approved the Power Division's tailored plan..... [more >>](#)

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Nasir appeals to PM to not allow power, gas cuts in Ramazan

Source: [Our Correspondent](#) , [The News, International](#) , 2025-03-04

Sindh Energy Minister Syed Nasir Hussain Shah has appealed to Prime Minister Mian Shehbaz Sharif not to allow gas load-shedding during Ramazan. Shah asked why gas load-shedding persists in March despite the end of winter, and said the federal government should take immediate notice of this. The minister said uninterrupted supply of electricity should be ensured during Ramazan, instructing K-Elect..... [more >>](#)

Severe power outages: Shangla residents struggle to cope with harsh winter conditions

Source: [anwa](#), [The News, International](#) , 2025-03-04

ALPURI: The persistent power outages in Shangla district have become a severe issue, making life difficult for residents, particularly during the harsh winter. The local residents said the loadshedding has been a routine problem in Shangla for the last two years. According to Peshawar Electric Supply Company officials, high losses on this feeder are the reason behind frequent power cuts, with e..... [more >>](#)

IPPs can opt for audit or arbitration, lenders told

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-04

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan on Monday assured major international lenders, including the International Monetary Fund, World Bank, and Asian Development Bank, that independent power producers (IPPs) unwilling to renegotiate contracts could opt for either a forensic audit or international arbitration, following recent protests over 'forced contract revisions'. Power Minister Awais Ahmad Khan [more >>](#)

Gas supply 'improved' in Karachi after PM Shehbaz takes notice

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-04

KARACHI: People in most parts of the city on Monday heaved a sigh of relief as the Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) finally improved the gas supply during Sehri and Iftar after the intervention of Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif. The gas utility said that it had increased gas pressure by average 10 per cent to improve gas flow and started opening gas distribution centers 30 to 45 minutes before Se..... [more >>](#)

Govt denies forced revision of IPP contracts

Source: [Zafar Bhutta](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-04

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan on Monday dispelled the impression that independent power producers (IPPs) were being forced to revise agreements and conveyed to international development partners that they had the option of either walking away from negotiations or resorting to arbitration and forensic audit. There has been a widespread perception that the IPPs have been coerced into revising agreements. Th..... [more >>](#)

K-P Assembly seeks higher Koto Power tariff

Source: [Our Correspondent](#) , [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-04

PESHAWAR: The Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa (K-P) Assembly has unanimously passed a resolution to increase the electricity tariff for the Koto Hydropower Project in District Dir, aiming to boost the income of the local population. The resolution was presented by treasury member Ubaidur Rehman. According to the resolution, the project was initiated with a budget of Rs14 billion but remains incomplete even a..... [more >>](#)

The circular debt respite

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-04

Having shot up to nearly Rs2.4 trillion by the end of FY24 – adding Rs140 billion in two years, the power sector circular debt buildup has slowed down appreciably over the first five months of FY25. Although, the circular debt stock at Rs2.83 trillion by the end of November 2024 is only Rs11 billion shy of the FY24 year-end level – the pace of accumulation has visibly slowed down and m..... [more >>](#)

Oil sales rise

Source: [Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-05

KARACHI: The country's oil marketing companies (OMCs) recorded sales of 1.14 million tonnes in February, up 2pc year-on-year (YoY) while down 18pc month-on-month (MoM). The MoM decline was majorly due to fewer working days in February. This takes total sales for 8MFY25 to 10.55m tonnes, reflecting a 4pc YoY increase compared to 10.18m tonnes in 8MFY24. Myesha Sohail of Topline Securities s..... [more >>](#)

Oil sales 8MFY25: Slow-paced growth

Source: [BR Research, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-05

The country's oil marketing companies (OMCs) experienced a mixed performance in February 2025, with total petroleum sales reaching 1.14 million tons, reflecting a two percent year-on-year increase but an eighteen percent decline compared to January. The cumulative industry offtakes for the first eight months of FY25 stood at 10.55 million tons, registering a four percent year-on-year growth..... [more >>](#)

Iesco recovers Rs6.21bn from defaulters

Source: [Press Release, The News, International](#), 2025-03-06

Islamabad: During the Ramazan, the Islamabad Electric Supply Company (Iesco) has continued its strict actions against electricity theft and non-payment of bills, says a press release. According to an Iesco spokesman, electricity thieves and defaulters are major obstacles to a stable Pakistan. Since September 2023, Iesco's detection teams, in collaboration with the police and other law enforc..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's industry paying double power costs of US, China, India: report

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-06

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's industrial sector is paying almost double the electricity prices compared to China, India and the United States, and even higher than the European Union, adversely impacting its export competitiveness. According to the latest 'Electricity 2025 — Analysis & Forecast to 2027' report by the Paris-based International Energy Agency (IEA), the average..... [more >>](#)

Refineries seek FinMin intervention

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-06

ISLAMABAD: The multibillion-dollar plant upgrade projects of Pakistan's refineries are at stake as the government has yet to resolve the issue of sales tax exemption on supplies of petroleum products. The refineries have planned investments of up to \$5 billion in upgrading their projects to ramp up local production and meet 100% demand of the country. At present, these refineries meet 30% of..... [more >>](#)

Govt moves to reduce financial liabilities of Discos

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-06

ISLAMABAD - To reduce the financial liabilities of the Ex-Wapda Distribution Companies (Discos), the federal government has decided the functional outsourcing of various posts in Discos and considering to hire employees for BPS-1 to BPS 15 positions through third party recruiters. Since there is a ban on hiring in the power distribution companies, owing to the ongoing privatization process, there..... [more >>](#)

Nepra grants FCA relief to millions after decade

Source: [Israr Khan, The News, International](#), 2025-03-07

ISLAMABAD: In a major relief, National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) on Thursday approved applicability of negative fuel charge adjustments (FCA) for domestic consumers using up to 300 units per month and agricultural users, including those of K-Electric, after nearly a decade of exclusion since 2015. The decision follows a formal request from the Ministry of Energy (Power Division)..... [more >>](#)

Nepra notifies Rs3 per unit refund for K-Electric consumers in March bills

Source: [Dawn.com](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-06

The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Thursday notified a negative fuel cost adjustment (FCA) of Rs3 per unit for consumers of K-Electric in March's bills on account of a variation in fuel charges for December. According to a notification issued by Nepra today, the authority "decided to allow negative FCA of Rs3/kWh to KE for the month of December 2024, to be p..... [more >>](#)

Consumers to bear burden as govt proposes new power surcharge

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-08

ISLAMABAD: At the conclusion of technical talks with the International Monetary Fund (IMF), Pakistan has proposed no additional taxation measures, opting instead to recover additional revenues through legal and administrative means. However, the government presented a contradictory stance on electricity pricing, seeking both relief on general sales tax (GST) on electricity and approval for an a..... [more >>](#)

Dip in Karachi's industrial power consumption

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-08

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has expressed concerns over a 10 per cent decline in Karachi's industrial power consumption and has asked K-Electric and National Grid to have additional interconnection for better utilisation of cheaper electricity. Sindh Member (Technical) Rafique Ahmed Shaikh has written a special note to K-Electric, National Transmiss..... [more >>](#)

Circular debt fixation

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-09

The enigma of power sector circular debt is no less than a white elephant. Year after year, the government's piecemeal measures to get away with it force it further down a quagmire of debt. The root cause is an inflated and insane deal with the Independent Power Producers (IPPs) that has put the successive governments – as well as the general masses who are made to pay by their blood and..... [more >>](#)

Power sector suffers Rs158b losses due to inefficiency, theft: APBF

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-09

ISLAMABAD - The All Pakistan Business Forum (APBF) has said that the power sector has been suffering Rs158 billion losses due to inefficiency and theft despite constant tariff hikes through annual and quarterly adjustments, and fuel cost adjustments, escalating cost of production for the industry. APBF President Syed Maaz Mahmood, referring to the data of the Ministry of Energy, observed that d..... [more >>](#)

Study calls for smart electric metres

Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#) , 2025-03-10

Islamabad: Pakistan's electricity sector stands at a crucial juncture as a recent study underscores the pressing need to modernise the country's electricity billing system. This was stated in a study authored by Afia Malik, Tehmina Asad and Ghulam Mustafa here at Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE) under the Research for Social Transformation & Advancement (RASTA) pr..... [more >>](#)

Oil marketing companies warn of collapse over forced refinery quotas

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-10

ISLAMABAD: Indicating a substantial cut in prices of petroleum prices by this weekend, the oil marketing companies (OMCs) have opposed the forced signing of 'Take or Pay' agreements with local refineries, arguing that the clause would unfairly burden them with financial risks. The dispute comes amid reports that price of petrol could decrease by Rs12 per litre and of high-speed diesel..... [more >>](#)

KE challenges Nepra over high fuel cost allegations

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-10

ISLAMABAD: In a rare public spat, K-Electric on Sunday challenged the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) over allegations that its fuel costs were significantly higher than electricity imports from the national grid. The disagreement follows a special note issued last week by Nepra's technical member from Sindh, Rafique A. Shaikh, who pointed out that K-Electric's [more >>](#)

Circular Debt Déjà Vu

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-10

In 2024, a plan aimed at reducing the circular debt stock was put forth, only to be swiftly rejected by the IMF. Fast forward to 2025, and we find ourselves presented with yet another proposal, cloaked in new language but ultimately pursuing the same goal: a reduction in the circular debt stock. The likely outcome? A repeat performance of rejection from the IMF. The architects of this latest [more >>](#)

KE explains power generation cost in Dec

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-10

KARACHI: Some 21 percent of the electricity procured by CPPA-G (i.e.; 2,171 MW) came from RLNG plants within the national grid during December 2024, as compared to 19 percent produced by KE (i.e.; 252 MW) from RLNG, with fuel costs comparable to those power plants operated by KE during the same period, says the spokesperson K-Electric (KE). In a statement on Sunday, the spokesperson clarified [more >>](#)

Lesco approves budget for a mega project

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-10

LAHORE - Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) has approved the budget for a mega project aimed at preventing overbilling and electricity theft. The company has decided to purchase state-of-the-art meters worth Rs. 1.6 billion to modernize the billing system. LESCO will procure 16,000 bidirectional smart and AMI meters. Consumers installing solar systems will receive bidirectional smart meters, e..... [more >>](#)

PIDE study calls for smart meters adoption to improve power sector efficiency

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-10

ISLAMABAD - A study conducted by the Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE), under the Research for Social Transformation & Advancement (RASTA) program, underscored the pressing need to modernise the billing system aimed at overhauling the power sector standing at a crucial juncture. The study advocates for the adoption of smart meters as a solution to address financial losses, [more >>](#)

Energy firms locked in row over coal supply

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-11

ISLAMABAD: Two energy companies are locked in a fierce war of words over allegations of illegally awarding a coal supply contract with Port Qasim Electric Power Company (PQEPC). The companies include a major coal importer Awan Trading and Lucky Commodities. Documents revealed that the controversy centred around a letter issued by Lucky Commodities on December 26, 2024, which the company later de..... [more >>](#)

Petrol price likely to be slashed by Rs15 per litre

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-11

ISLAMABAD: Due to a decline in oil prices in the international market, the prices of petroleum products are also likely to be slashed in Pakistan with the price of petrol expected to go down by Rs15 to Rs13 per litre. According to sources, there is a strong possibility that the government will significantly reduce the prices of petroleum products locally for the next fifteen days. They said petr..... [more >>](#)

Wapda awards contract for Hydraulic Research and Training Institute

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-12

LAHORE - WAPDA has awarded contract about consultancy services worth Rs116.908 million to Associated Consulting Engineers Limited (ACE) for WAPDA Hydraulic Model Research and Training Institute at Chichoki Malian, Sheikhpura. Duration of the contract is two and a half years. The contract signing ceremony was held at WAPDA House. General Manager (Hydro Planning) WAPDA Dr Khawar Munir and Regional [more >>](#)

Govt mulls higher petrol levy amid revenue shortfalls

Source: [Shahbaz Rana](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-12

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's government remains undecided on two critical policy matters – whether to allow dual nationals to hold key positions in the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) and whether to impose a carbon levy to curb emissions. The government on Tuesday once again deferred decisions on both issues in two separate back-to-back meetings – one chaired by the prime minister..... [more >>](#)

IMF amenable to idea of cut in power tariff

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-12

ISLAMABAD: The government plans to utilize Rs1.3 trillion, saved due to a decline in debt servicing from Rs9.7 trillion to Rs8.4 trillion, to provide relief to power sector consumers and clear circular debt stocks. This significant reduction in debt servicing is a result of the decreased policy rate from 22pc to 12pc. Meanwhile, the IMF has rejected the FBR's proposals to slash down tax r..... [more >>](#)

Govt hikes tariff for captive plants on IMF prodding

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-12

ISLAMABAD: In a major retreat, the government had to immediately notify an increase in gas rates for industrial captive power plants (CPPs) by about 23pc and scale down temptation for a substantial cut in power rates to get the policy negotiations going with a visiting staff mission of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for disbursement about \$1.1bn in a couple of weeks. A top official [more >>](#)

KE seeks Nepra's nod to refund Rs4.84 per unit in April bills

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-13

ISLAMABAD: K-Electric (KE) has filed a petition with the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) seeking approval to refund Rs4.84 per unit to its consumers in April bills. The proposed refund comes after the utility charged higher per unit electricity rates in January, 2025. Under the monthly fuel charges adjustment (FCA) for January, the company wants to refund approximately Rs4.69..... [more >>](#)

Captive grid

Source: [Editorial](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-13

IT is a common practice: the government makes commitments with global lenders for their money and then tries to wriggle out of them when faced with pressure from powerful lobbies that might be affected. Previously, it would find a way around the agreed reforms. But no longer. On Tuesday, it had to notify a grid levy of Rs791/mmBtu on all supplies of domestic gas and imported LNG to captive power p..... [more >>](#)

Petrol may see Rs14 per litre reduction

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-13

ISLAMABAD: The prices of all petroleum products are estimated to fall by up to Rs14 per litre for the next fortnight, ending March 31, owing to fluctuation in the international market and import premiums. This relief is, however, subject to unchanged tax rates. An official said there were considerations on the part of the government to absorb a part of the price cushion to increase petroleum levy..... [more >>](#)

RLNG prices raised for March

Source: [Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-13

ISLAMABAD: With system losses stubborn at a record 16.16 per cent, the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) on Wednesday notified almost half a per cent increase in the price of Regasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) for sale to consumers by the two Sui gas companies for the current month. This is on top of about 2pc increase in RLNG sale price last month. Karachi-based Sui Southern Gas Compa..... [more >>](#)

K-Electric petitions for tariff cut of Rs4.84

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-13

Consumers are likely to enjoy a massive relief of up to Rs14.16 per litre in prices of petroleum products, which aligns with the reduction in international oil prices, effective from March 16, 2025. The ex-depot price of petrol is expected to fall Rs14.16 to Rs241.47 per litre as compared to the existing price of Rs255.63 per litre. Petrol is primarily used in passenger cars and motorbikes and a [more >>](#)

Sui gas consumers face 0.42pc RLNG price hike in March

Source: [Our Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-13

Islamabad - The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) has upward revised the prices of imported Re-gasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) by 0.42 percent per MMBTU for consumers of both Sui gas companies. The revised RLNG prices for the month of March apply to consumers of both Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) and Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL). According to the notification issued by..... [more >>](#)

'Increase revenue-reduce loadshedding'; PESCO, KPK govt engage in contract talks

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-13

ISLAMABAD: The Peshawar Electric Supply Company (PESCO) and the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK) government are in discussions about a contract to "increase revenue-reduce loadshedding". The proposed contract focuses on improving electricity supply to feeders that are currently suffering from over 20% losses, with an emphasis on enhancing recovery and reducing losses, sources informed Business..... [more >>](#)

KE submits negative FCA adjustment request for Jan

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-13

ISLAMABAD: The K-Electric (KE) has requested a provisional negative adjustment of Rs 4.84 per unit in the Fuel Charges Adjustment (FCA) for January 2025, which would pass on the financial impact of Rs 4.695 billion to its consumers. Additionally, the KE is seeking to adjust a pending amount of Rs 13.5 billion from previous months. The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) is se..... [more >>](#)

SSRL proposes levelised COD stage coal tariff of \$48.71 per tonne

Source: [Web Desk, The News, International](#), 2025-03-14

The Thar Coal & Energy Board (TCEB) held a public hearing on Thursday regarding the tariff petition filed by Sino Sindh Resources Pvt. Ltd. (SSRL) for the determination of the Commercial Operations Date (COD) Stage Tariff for its 7.8 million tons per annum (Mtpa) lignite mine located at Block-1 of the Thar Coalfield. A statement issued by the Sindh Information Department said the hearing took..... [more >>](#)

Promoting local industry: NTDC places Rs781 million educational orders

Source: [Our Correspondent, The News, International](#), 2025-03-14

LAHORE: National Transmission and Dispatch Company (NTDC), has launched an initiative to promote domestic industry and the use of domestically manufactured equipment. In this regard, NTDC Chief Engineer (Material Procurement and Management) has issued educational orders worth about Rs781 million to local companies under which monitoring devices for towers, high-precision energy meters, high-power [more >>](#)

KE slammed for delaying net-metering

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-14

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has ordered K-Electric to refrain from penalising paying customers by interrupting their electricity supply due to non-payment of others or illegal connections. Additionally, it has instructed K-Electric not to delay or discourage net-metering applicants based on claims of system weaknesses that need to be addressed. In two sepa..... [more >>](#)

Thar coal-fired energy 'cheaper than hydropower'

Source: [Shahid Iqbal](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-14

KARACHI: Sino Sindh Resources Pvt Ltd (SSRL) Chief Executive Officer Li Jigen has stated that the power generation cost from Block-1 of the Thar region is Rs5.52 per unit, significantly cheaper than the energy produced from hydro sources. This he said while speaking at a public hearing called by the Thar Coal and Energy Board (TCEB) on Thursday regarding the SSRL's petition for the determin..... [more >>](#)

OMCs see 39% YoY profit surge

Source: [Usman Hanif](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-14

KARACHI: Pakistan's Oil Marketing Companies (OMC) sector recorded a 39% year-on-year (YoY) increase in earnings, reaching Rs18.2 billion in the first half of fiscal year 2025 (1HFY25), compared to Rs13.2 billion in the same period last year. This growth was driven by a reduction in finance costs and lower effective taxation. However, sector sales declined by 11% YoY to Rs2.1 trillion, largel..... [more >>](#)

Tariff hearing held for Thar Block-1 mine

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-14

KARACHI: The Thar Coal & Energy Board (TCEB) held a public hearing on Thursday to review the tariff petition filed by Sino Sindh Resources Pvt Ltd (SSRL) for its 7.8 million tonnes per annum (Mtpa) lignite mine at Block-1 of the Thar Coalfield. The session, conducted at a local hotel in Karachi, was attended by stakeholders, experts, and the public. According to a statement, TCEB MD Tariq [more >>](#)

NTDC commits Rs781m to local power industry

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-14

LAHORE: The National Transmission and Despatch Company (NTDC), the backbone of Pakistan's power sector, has continued the initiative to promote local industry and indigenization by placing educational orders worth approximately Rs. 781 million with the domestic manufacturers. These orders encompass transmission towers, high-accuracy energy meters, monitoring devices for autotransformers and [more >>](#)

Power firms seek to refund 30 paise for February

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-15

ISLAMABAD: Amid a 3.3 per cent decline in electricity consumption in February over the last year, the public sector power distribution companies (Discos) have sought only 30 paise per unit negative fuel price adjustment (FCA) despite 84pc supplies coming from cheaper domestic sources. If approved, the ex-Wapda Distribution Companies (Disco) would have to refund about Rs2 billion to consumers in..... [more >>](#)

Power consumers to get minor relief in April bills

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-15

ISLAMABAD: Power consumers are set to get a minor relief of Rs0.298 per unit in April bills, as ex-Wapda distribution companies (XWDiscos) seek regulatory approval to refund overcharged amounts from the previous month. The Central Power Purchasing Agency (CPPA), representing these utilities, has petitioned the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) to finalise the fuel price adjustm..... [more >>](#)

DISCOs request tariff reduction of 30 paise per unit

Source: [Our Correspondent](#) , [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-15

ISLAMABAD: Electricity consumers are likely to get a tariff relief as power distribution companies (DISCOs) have asked for a reduction of 30 paise per unit on account of fuel charges adjustment (FCA) for February 2025. To review a petition in this regard, the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has scheduled public hearing for March 26. The hearing will be held at Nepra Tower th..... [more >>](#)

Resolution of power sector CD in sight

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-15

ISLAMABAD: The government and commercial banks are reportedly inching towards a viable deal on Rs 1.23 trillion loan to resolve power sector circular Debt (CD) of which Rs 5.23 billion will be fresh exposure whereas existing loan of Rs 700 billion will be restructured at a lower rate, well-informed sources told Business Recorder. An insider revealed that a team of Power Division visited Karac..... [more >>](#)

POL prices likely to fall

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-15

ISLAMABAD: The federal government is expected to slash petroleum product prices by up to Rs14.16 per litre in the upcoming fortnight starting from March 16, 2025 due to a reduction in global oil prices and premium, according to oil marketing companies (OMCs)' estimates. Sources said the price of petrol was likely to be reduced by Rs14.16 per litre, while high-speed diesel (HSD) might se..... [more >>](#)

PM Shehbaz maintains petrol prices

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-15

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif announced on Saturday that petroleum prices will remain unchanged for the next fortnight starting March 16, with the financial benefit of this decision to be passed on to the public through lower electricity rates. In a video statement, the premier emphasized his commitment to providing relief to the people. "We have decided to maintain petroleum prices at the..... [more >>](#)

Discos seek Nepra approval for Rs 0.29/unit refund as power generation declines by 2.66pc in Feb

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-15

ISLAMABAD - Ex-Wapda distribution companies (Discos) have sought NEPRA's approval for a refund of Rs0.298/unit to consumers on account of monthly FCA for February, as the power generation has declined by 2.66 percent during the month on a year-on-year basis. The government's winter package failed to boost energy consumption as the power generation declined by 2.66 percent from 7,130..... [more >>](#)

Renewable Energy

KP launches 'Solarization of houses' project

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-10

PESHAWAR: The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government has practically launched its flagship project "Solarization of Houses" aimed at providing free and subsidized solar energy solutions to households across the province. Chief Minister Ali Amin Khan Gandapur formally inaugurated the initiative at a special ceremony held at the Chief Minister's House in Peshawar. The event was at..... [more >>](#)

When will Sindh launch second phase of solar kit distribution project?

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2025-03-02

Sindh's Senior Minister Sharjeel Inam Memon has announced significant progress in the Sindh Solar Energy Project, with the second phase set to target the distribution of solar kits to an additional 200,000 households across the

province. Sharjeel Memon shared this update during a ceremony held at the Rawal House in Tandojam, where solar kits were distributed to beneficiaries under the first p..... [more >>](#)

CM Punjab launches free solar panel scheme

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-03

Punjab has launched its Free Solar Panel Scheme, with Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz directing authorities to expedite implementation. CM Maryam Nawaz inaugurated the initiative through an automated digital lottery, randomly selecting winners. During a briefing, Punjab's Secretary Energy revealed that 94,483 solar systems will be installed over the year. The scheme targets consumers using up [more >>](#)

Small renewable energy projects in IGCEP; HEPA seeks PM's support for inclusion

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-03

ISLAMABAD: The Hydro Electric Power Association (HEPA) has sought Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's support for the inclusion of small renewable energy projects of up to 20 MW with Letters of Intent (LoIs) or Letters of Support (LoS) in the upcoming Indicative Generation Capacity Expansion Plan (IGCEP), well-informed sources told Business Recorder. In a letter to the Prime Minister, Vice C..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan assures int'l development partners of transparent IPP negotiations, power sector reforms

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-04

Leghari informs participants about various reforms undertaken by the Power Division which include transition from Take or Pay to Take and Pay, elimination of furnace oil based plants, conversion of imported coal to local coal. Islamabad - Pakistan told international development partners on Monday that negotiations with IPPs are free, fair, and transparent, with the option to walk away or resort..... [more >>](#)

Demand for solar power

Source: [Editorial](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-05

A GREAT solar rush across Pakistan is transforming the nation's energy landscape. Households and businesses are rapidly switching to solar energy for a cheaper and reliable power supply. With 22 GW of solar panels imported in the last 18 months, the country is going through a massive shift from grid to rooftop solar solutions. It is heartening to note that both the federal and provincial gov..... [more >>](#)

How to register for Punjab's free solar panel scheme

Source: [News Desk](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-05

Punjab's Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz has launched the 'Chief Minister Punjab Free Solar Panel Scheme' to provide much-needed relief for electricity consumers in the province. Eligible households consuming up to 200 units of electricity per month can now apply for a free solar panel installation. Here's a detailed guide on how you can register for this scheme, either through..... [more >>](#)

Centre hindered Sindh's efforts towards sustainable energy: CM

Source: [Tahir Siddiqui](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-06

KARACHI: Recounting the hurdles faced by the Sindh government in promoting renewable energy and developing the Thar coal project, Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah on Wednesday said that the federal government had continued to prioritise imported coal-based power plants and refused to grant approvals for additional power generation. He said that when the PPP had initiated a solar energy project,..... [more >>](#)

Tariff plan for rooftop solar panel users shared with IMF

Source: [Mateen Haider, The News, International](#), 2025-03-07

ISLAMABAD: The government has shared a plan with the visiting International Monetary Fund (IMF) mission to rationalise the electricity tariff for net metering of solar panel owners. Under the proposed plan, surplus units generated by solar panel owners would be purchased by the government at significantly lower rates. Currently, surplus units are purchased at Rs27 per unit, but the government now..... [more >>](#)

CM Bugti inaugurates home solar system

Source: [Staff Correspondent, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-07

QUETTA: Balochistan Chief Minister Sarfraz Bugti has said his government was fulfilling its commitment to meet the province's electricity needs through alternative energy projects. He made these remarks while inaugurating home solar systems provided by the Chinese government under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) at a ceremony. He noted that these solar systems had been lyn..... [more >>](#)

K-P govt launches solar project for households

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-07

PESHAWAR: The Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa government has launched its flagship project 'Solarization of Houses' aimed at providing free and subsidized solar energy solutions to households across the province. Chief Minister Ali Amin Khan Gandapur formally inaugurated the initiative at a special ceremony held at the Chief Minister House in Peshawar on Thursday. The event was attended by provincia..... [more >>](#)

Sindh expands solar energy projects

Source: [News Desk, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-07

The Sindh government has intensified efforts to promote renewable energy, expanding its solar initiatives across the province. Chief Minister Murad Ali Shah announced that 97 government buildings have already been solarized, with over 300 more set to follow. Speaking at a solar home system distribution ceremony, he reaffirmed the government's commitment to providing affordable electricity..... [more >>](#)

Roof solar net metering shifts Rs159bn burden on grid consumers

Source: [Khalid Mustafa, The News, International](#), 2025-03-09

ISLAMABAD: Roof solar net metering facility has shifted a burden of Rs159 billion onto grid consumers through an additional tariff hike of Rs1.5 per unit. This has been disclosed in the latest data of Power Division showing the adverse impact of net metering facility on consumers using only grid electricity. The net metering consumers are not paying grid storage cost and capacity payment of the p..... [more >>](#)

New solar panel policy to be presented before ECC soon: Leghari

Source: [Khalid Mustafa, The News, International](#), 2025-03-10

ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for Power Division Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari has announced that a summary for the approval of a new solar panel policy will soon be presented to the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC). Under this policy, the grid will purchase electricity from newly installed rooftop solar panels at a rate of Rs9.50 to Rs10 per unit. Consumers, who adopt this solar panel facil..... [more >>](#)

Solarisation Scheme: 32,500 households to receive solar systems in first phase: Saif

Source: [Bureau Report, The News, International](#), 2025-03-11

PESHAWAR: Advisor to the Chief Minister on Information and Public Relations Barrister Muhammad Ali Saif on Monday announced that 32,500 deserving households would receive solar systems in the first phase of the Solarization of Houses Scheme. Under the scheme, a total of 130,000 households would get solar panels, batteries, fans, and lights, helping families reduce their dependence on convention..... [more >>](#)

Businessmen slam wind power curtailment

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-13

KARACHI: Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) President Atif Ikram Sheikh has aired concern over the ongoing curtailment of 12 low-tariff wind power projects. "This is happening despite their cost effectiveness and alignment with the national energy goals," he said while criticising the continued preference for expensive, obsolete power sources. He urged the..... [more >>](#)

Jet fuel supplies; 'PSOCL's outstanding amount from PIA accumulated to Rs28.88bn as of Feb'

Source: [Naveed Butt](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-13

ISLAMABAD: Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) Ali Pervaiz Malik said that Pakistan State Oil Company Limited (PSOCL)'s outstanding amount from the Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) against jet fuel supplies as of February 28, 2025 has accumulated to Rs28.88 billion (Rs 14.29 billion principal and Rs 14.59 billion late payment surcharge). The minister, in a written reply to a q..... [more >>](#)

Rooftop solar buyback rate slashed to Rs10 per unit

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-14

ISLAMABAD: In a sweeping policy shift aimed at reducing the financial strain on non-solar consumers, the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet Thursday approved amendments to the existing net metering regulations of rooftop solar under which the buyback rate was slashed down from Rs27 to Rs10 per unit. There is over 3,500MW installed solar on rooftops and rough estimates suggest th..... [more >>](#)

Govt cuts solar metering benefits New policy reduces incentives by 63%, increases electricity costs by 550%

Source: [Shahbaz Rana](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-14

ISLAMABAD: The government on Thursday drastically changed the net metering policy, introducing regulations that slash benefits for new solar panel owners by 63% while forcing them to buy electricity from the national grid at rates over 550% higher than their sale price. Under the new policy, rooftop solar panel owners will sell electricity at Rs10 per unit but must buy power at the prevailing ra..... [more >>](#)

Revised solar policy

Source: [Editorial](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-15

The decision to significantly revise down buyback prices at which power distribution companies purchase electricity from rooftop solar system owners is the correct step towards energy price equity for all consumers. Under the revised net-metering policy, distribution companies will buy unused surplus solar electricity from net-metered consumers at Rs10 per unit, down by nearly 63pc from Rs27, d..... [more >>](#)

Solar puzzle

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-15

There is a policy dichotomy at work in the energy realm solely meant to discourage solar power consumers. The jugglery of math suggests that the government will now buy back electricity for Rs10 per unit from new net-metering consumers, a slash of Rs17 from the previous tariff, whereas those purchasing power from the grid will continue to pay from Rs42 to Rs65 per unit, excluding taxes and duties..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Engagement

Dialogue News

Experts call for multi-level coordination to align economic growth with environmental sustainability

Source: APP, [The News, International](#), 2025-03-04

Islamabad: Highlighting the urgency of translating Nationally Determined Contribution (NDCs) ambitions into tangible action to secure a resilient and equitable climate future for South Asia, experts at a high-level dialogue called for multi-level coordination, enhanced regional cooperation, and joint policies that align economic growth with environmental sustainability. The experts recalled that u..... [more >>](#)

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Experts Calls For Multi-level Coordination To Align Economic Growth With Environmental Sustainability

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Alignment of economic growth with environmental sustainability stressed

Source: SABAH, [SABAH News](#), 2025-03-03

The experts recalled that under the Paris Agreement, countries are bound to update their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) every five years to strengthen climate commitments, as South Asia faces challenges like unclear pathways, data gaps, and financial constraints. The policy dialogue titled, "South Asia's Climate Future: Can NDCs 3.0 Bridge the Gap Between Ambition and Real..... [more >>](#)

پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی کے زیر اہتمام "جنوبی ایشیا کا ماحولیاتی مستقبل" کے موضوع پر اعلیٰ سطحی مکالمہ

Source: APP, [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2025-03-03

اسلام آباد۔ 3 مارچ (اے پی پی): ماہرین کا کہنا ہے کہ جنوبی ایشیا میں ماحولیاتی تحفظ اور پائیدار ترقی کے لئے مربوط پالیسی سازی، علاقائی تعاون اور اقتصادی ترقی کو ماحولیاتی استحکام سے ہم آہنگ کرنے کی حکمت عملی اپنانا ضروری ہے۔ ما..... [more >>](#)

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Source: SABAH, [SABAH News](#), 2025-03-03

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Experts urge greater alignment between economic, energy policies

Source: Staff Reporter, [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-08

ISLAMABAD: Experts on Friday called for a coordinated policy approach, urging greater alignment between economic and energy policies to unlock Pakistan's full renewable energy potential. Speaking at a dialogue marking the inception of the Annual State of Renewable Energy (ASRE) 2025, the experts agreed that a structured transition strategy, investment incentives and infrastructure moderni..... [more >>](#)

Experts call for policy reforms and infrastructure development in renewable energy sector

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ASRE 2025: Economic and energy policies must be aligned: experts

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Experts call for reforms, infrastructure uplift in renewable energy sector

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Experts Call For Policy Reforms And Infrastructure Development In Renewable Energy Sector

Source: APP, [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-03-07

ISLAMABAD, (APP - UrduPoint / Pakistan Point News - 7th Mar, 2025) Experts on Friday at the high-level dialogue marking the inception of the Annual State of Renewable Energy (ASRE) 2025 called for a coordinated policy approach, urging greater alignment between economic and energy policies to unlock Pakistan's full renewable energy potential. Experts agreed that a structured transition strat..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [Namainda Khasosi](#), [Daily Nawa e Waqt](#), 2025-03-08

اسلام آباد (نمائندہ خصوصی) پاکستان میں قابل تجدید توانائی کے فروغ کیلئے موثر پالیسی اور معیشت و توانائی پالیسیوں میں ہم آہنگی ضروری ہے۔ ملک میں قابل تجدید توانائی کے مکمل فوائد حاصل کرنے کے لئے مرحلہ وار منتقلی، سرمایہ [more >>](#)

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Source: [Staff Reporter, Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-03-07

اسلام آباد (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 07 مارچ 2025ء) پاکستان میں قابل تجدید توانائی کے فروغ کے لئے موثر پالیسی اور معیشت و توانائی پالیسیوں میں ہم آہنگی ضروری ہے، ملک میں قابل تجدید توانائی کے مکمل فوائد حاصل کرنے [more >>](#)

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Source: [SABAH, SABAH News](#), 2025-03-07

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SDPI Articles

Zero tolerance

Source: [Radma Nouman Shah, The News, International](#), 2025-03-02

Introducing new policies may appear straightforward on paper, yet their true value lies in effective and timely implementation. Pakistan's experience serves as a reminder: the Higher Education Commission introduced a comprehensive ban on all tobacco products in universities in 2015. However, over time, enforcement weakened and many campuses now [more >>](#)

The unfinished revolution

Source: [Qasim Shah & Abdullah Khalid, The News, International](#), 2025-03-02

Women's participation in shaping political discourse has remained minimal. Globally, there is an increasing focus on creating gender-balanced societies to address women's status issues. This trend is evident in Pakistan as well. While the 2008 parliament had the highest representation of women in National and Provincial Assemblies in Pakis..... [more >>](#)

Diversifying exports

Source: [Ahad Nazir & Dr Amjad Masood, The News, International](#), 2025-03-02

Pakistan's export sector is at a crucial crossroads. For years, its reliance on textiles has shaped the country's external trade profile, but the global landscape is shifting, and Pakistan must adapt or risk stagnation. With textiles still accounting for a significant portion of total exports, any market fluctuation in demand, pricing, or [more >>](#)

No smoking

Source: [Radma Nouman Shah, The News, International](#), 2025-03-04

Introducing new policies may appear straightforward on paper, yet their true value lies in effective and timely implementation. Pakistan's experience serves as a reminder: the Higher Education Commission introduced a comprehensive ban on all tobacco products in universities in 2015, but over time, enforcement weakened, and many campuses now accommodate designated smoking spaces. This histor..... [more >>](#)

Power beyond symbolism

Source: [Saad Ali Ahmed & Abdullah Khalid, The News, International](#), 2025-03-05

In Pakistan's political parties' committee rooms, women's voices remain faint, with their presence often limited to designated quotas rather than as equal partners in democracy. This reality demands action. Despite constitutional guarantees and legislative efforts, women's political participation remains largely symbolic rather than substantive. Current statistics show women occup..... [more >>](#)

Rainwater Harvesting: A Solution for Water Scarcity

Source: [Rana Irfan Rafi](#), [LEAD Pakistan](#), 2025-03-05

Pakistan is facing serious water crises as a result of population growth and climate change. Water shortage is becoming a major concern not only in Pakistan but across the world. Many cities in Pakistan, including Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, and other large towns, are struggling to provide clean water to the residents, and the situation is far worse in rural regions. In other cases, the government..... [more >>](#)

Margins to mainstream

Source: [Zainab Naeem](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-08

In the shadows of Pakistan's booming industrial hubs, millions of women power the country's informal economy -- often unseen and unprotected. Their labour sustains critical circular economy systems from waste collection to textile upcycling and plastic repurposing. Yet, they remain trapped in economic precarity, denied fair wages, social protection, and decision-making power. Thi..... [more >>](#)

Piezoelectric Energy Harvesting for Pakistan's Electricity Crisis

Source: [Rana Irfan Rafi](#), [LEAD Pakistan](#), 2025-03-07

Pakistan has been facing issues for several years due to the increasing demand and shortage of electricity. Whether it is domestic consumers or industrialists, everyone is worried. The primary reason is the old power plants, which cannot meet the electricity shortfall, nor do they have the capacity to generate sufficient electricity. The growing population and rapidly developing industries that co..... [more >>](#)

WASH and the private sector

Source: [Ali Rehmat And Ramsha Mehboob Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-13

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) are essential areas of focus for achieving sustainable development and are a critical component of the global sustainable development goals. Pakistan's WASH sector faces significant challenges due to the effects of climate change, driven by population growth, increasing global temperatures, recurring disasters and urbanisation. The public sector has histor..... [more >>](#)

Healing from Nature: Conservation and Economic Potential of Medicinal Plants in Pakistan

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SDPI's Related Articles

Unite for a greener future of Pakistan

Source: [Andrew Bailey](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-02

The 3rd Pakistan Climate Conference, recently hosted by the Overseas Investors Chamber of Commerce and Industry (OICCI), marked another critical milestone in the country's journey toward climate resilience. Over the past few years, the private sector has taken many initiatives to integrate sustainability into its core strategies, recognizing the importance of climate action as business im..... [more >>](#)

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Speakers discuss process of gender budgeting

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-01

Islamabad: In a debate organised by the Centre for Research and Dialogue on gender budgeting, speakers highlighted the issues faced by women in Pakistan in sectors like health, education, employment, and political representation, emphasising gender budgeting as an effective solution to address these challenges. Speaking at the debate, Dr. Sajid Amin Javed stated that gender budgeting means conside..... [more >>](#)

Pakistani educationist Nasreen Kasuri awarded fellowship by top education forum

Source: [Web Desk](#), [Geo News](#), 2025-03-01

Founder of Beaconhouse School System Nasreen Kasuri was awarded a Fellowship by the Education Leaders Forum for her prominent role in transforming Pakistan's education landscape from 1975 till date. She was acknowledged for her legacy of 50 years, which continues to live, by a group of leaders from the world's most influential education organisations in both public and private sectors..... [more >>](#)

Efficient digital environment imperative for future development of women

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-02

Islamabad: Experts at the Devcom-Pakistan conference titled 'Digital Futures'2025: Bridging the Gender Divide for Women's Empowerment in Pakistan' have called for the urgent need to digitally empower women to address the gender divide and strengthen women's empowerment in Pakistan. The conference, which coincided with National Women's Day (February 12) and International W..... [more >>](#)

Seminar News

Experts for disaster-resistant healthcare infrastructure for youth

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2025-03-04

ISLAMABAD, Mar 04 (APP): Experts emphasized the need for disaster-resistant sustainable healthcare infrastructure by integrating energy-efficient designs and renewable energy for the youth. The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), in collaboration with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), hosted a seminar titled "Pakistan in 2047: Opportunities and Challenges for..... [more >>](#)

Experts For Disaster-resistant Healthcare Infrastructure For Youth

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Experts highlight need for disaster-resistant healthcare infrastructure integrating energy-efficient designs, RE sources

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Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2025-03-04

اسلام آباد(صبح نیوز) پاکستان کے پائیدار مستقبل کے لئے نوجوانوں کی صلاحیتوں کو بروئے کار لانے اور صحت کے بنیادی ڈھانچے کو قدرتی آفات سے محفوظ بنانے کے حوالے سے ماہرین نے جامع پالیسی اقدامات کی ضرورت پر زور دیا ہے پالیسی ا..... [more >>](#)

Trump: Then and Now

Source: [Dr James J Zogby](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-04

One difference between Donald Trump's first presidential term and his return to the White House in 2025 is that this time around he appears more in control and better prepared. And despite the drastic measures of his first weeks in office, his opposition appears more subdued and less focused. In 2016, Trump, though victorious, was not yet master of the Republican Party, whose "old g..... [more >>](#)

Experts acknowledge country's progress in gender equity

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-11

ISLAMABAD: Health experts have acknowledged that Pakistan has made significant progress in meeting gender equity and women empowerment goals amid persisting major structural, legal, and cultural barriers. Speaking at seminar titled, "Rights, Equality, Empowerment Through Beijing+30 in Pakistan: Reflections, Challenges and Future Directions" organised by the Sustainable Development Pol..... [more >>](#)

Progress made in gender equity, women's empowerment: Experts

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ISLAMABAD - Experts at the International Women's Day Seminar highlighted that Pakistan has made progress in gender equity and women's empowerment despite persistent structural, legal, and cultural barriers. The panellists urged accelerated efforts in gender-responsive budgeting, stronger law enforcement, and active community engagement to ensure that commitments under Beijing+30 and..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan Made Progress To Empower Women Amid Major Structural, Cultural Barriers: Experts

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-03-10

ISLAMABAD, (APP - Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 10th Mar, 2025) Experts on Monday at the International Women's Day Seminar here highlighted that Pakistan has made progress in meeting gender equity and women empowerment goals amid persisting major structural, legal, and cultural barriers. The panelists urged accelerated efforts in gender-responsive budgeting, stronger law enforcement, and [more >>](#)

Pakistan committed to women's rights, gender equality

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-03-11

Islamabad: Dr Shafqat Munir Ahmed, Deputy Executive Director, Sustainable Development Policy Institute, has said that Pakistan is an active participant in the Beijing+30 Forum striving to uphold women's rights and drive global commitments to gender equality. Dr Munir was addressing a Seminar on International Women's Day organised by SDPI here Monday. Dr Munir highlighted that Pakista..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan made progress to empower women amid major structural, cultural barriers: Experts

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Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2025-03-10

اسلام آباد(صبح نیوز) سیلاب اور معاشی بدحالی کے باعث متاثرہ خاندان کمسن لڑکیوں کی شادیاں محض قرض کی ادائیگی کیلئے کرنے پر مجبور ہو رہے ہیں، جب کہ 80 فیصد خواتین کے مسائل کو موجودہ قانونی ڈھانچے کے ذریعے حل کیا جا سکتا ہے۔ تا [more >>](#)

Self-monitoring By Tobacco Industry To Facilitate Tax Evasion, Illicit Trade, Warn Experts

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-03-15

ISLAMABAD, (APP - Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 15th Mar, 2025) Experts at a seminar underscored the need for data-driven policy-making in tobacco control and taxation, especially when the next fiscal year's budget is under preparation. The seminar organized by Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) on Tobacco Taxation was followed by the soft launch of Pakistan's first-e..... [more >>](#)

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Pakistan Launches SDPI Tobacco Control Hub to Combat Smoking, Boost Health Policy

Source: [Shahzad Ahmad](#), [University Cube](#), 2025-03-15

In the heart of Islamabad, a seminar organized by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) unfolded as a pivotal moment in Pakistan's ongoing battle against tobacco-related health and economic challenges. The event not only underscored the urgency of data-driven policymaking for tobacco control but also marked the inauguration of the country's first-ever "Tobacco Cont..... [more >>](#)

پہلے انسداد تمباکو معلوماتی مرکز کا افتتاح

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اسلام آباد(صبح نیوز)تمباکو مصنوعات کی غیر قانونی تجارت میں 33 فیصد اضافہ ہو چکا ہے حکومت تمباکو مصنوعات کو محض محصولات اکٹھا کرنے کا ذریعہ بنانے کے بجائے صحت عامہ کو ترجیح دیتے ہوئے سخت اقدامات اٹھائے۔ تمباکو مصنوعات کی غ..... [more >>](#)

Webinar News

Panda bonds crucial to renewable energy transition: experts

Source: [Mubarak Zeb Khan](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-14

ISLAMABAD: Amid worsening economic struggles confronting Pakistan, yuan-denominated financial instruments are likely to offer opportunities to the country to restructure its debt and drive green infrastructure initiatives. This was the crux of a high-level webinar, Panda Bonds: Mobilising Sustainable Investments for Pakistan's Renewable Energy Future, on Thursday. It was organised by the Su..... [more >>](#)

Panda bonds termed critical instrument to mobilise sustainable investments

Source: [Bakhtawar Mian](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-03-14

ISLAMABAD: Leading national and international financial experts, policymakers and energy specialists underscored the importance of Panda bonds as a critical instrument to mobilise sustainable investments for financing Pakistan's renewable energy transition. The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) organised a webinar, "Panda Bonds: mobilising sustainable investments for Paki..... [more >>](#)

Panda Bonds: a game changer for financing Pakistan's green energy shift

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ISLAMABAD, Mar 13 (APP): Financial experts, policymakers, and energy specialists have identified Panda Bonds as a crucial tool to attract sustainable investments and drive Pakistan's renewable energy transition. In a high-level webinar hosted by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), experts discussed how these yuan-denominated bonds could help address Pakistan's finan..... [more >>](#)

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Govt to launch Panda Bonds this year, considers introducing Green Sukuk, says finance ministry official

Source: [Monitoring Desk](#), [Profit](#), 2025-03-14

Financial experts and policymakers have identified Panda Bonds—yuan-denominated financial instruments—as a potential tool for debt restructuring and green infrastructure development. The discussion took center stage at a high-level webinar titled Panda Bonds: Mobilising Sustainable Investments for Pakistan's Renewable Energy Future, organised by the Sustainable Development Pol..... [more >>](#)

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اسلام آباد (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبار تازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 13 مارچ 2025ء) ماہرین نے پاکستان کی قابل تجدید توانائی کے فروغ کے لئے پانڈا بانڈز کو اہم مالیاتی ذریعہ قرار دیتے ہوئے کہا ہے کہ یہ پائیدار سرمایہ کاری کو متحرک کرنے، قرضوں کی..... [more >>](#)

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