



Pakistan's Energy Transition



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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.

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
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Energy Governance

CCP raids transformer material suppliers over suspected bid rigging

Source: [Our Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-19

ISLAMABAD - The Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) teams Friday raided the offices of four suppliers involved in the provision of transformer reclamation materials to various power distribution companies (DISCOs). The raids were carried out simultaneously in Lahore and Gujranwala. These companies are suspected of being part of a cartel that manipulated bidding processes for transformer-rela..... [more >>](#)

Govt hikes petrol price by Rs5.36, high-speed diesel by Rs11.37

Source: [Tahir Sherani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-16

The federal government on Tuesday hiked the price of petrol by Rs5.36 per litre and that of high-speed diesel (HSD) by Rs11.37 for the next fortnight. A press release from the Finance Division said the revised prices were based on recommendations by Ogra and concerned ministries. The new petrol price is Rs272.15 per litre and Rs284.35 for HSD. The press release did not mention any changes..... [more >>](#)

Govt strikes again with fuel price hike Revised prices come into effect immediately for next 15 days

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-16

ISLAMABAD: The federal government has once again raised petrol and diesel prices, following a continued upward trend in global crude oil prices. According to a notification issued by the Finance Division late Tuesday night, petrol price has been raised by Rs5.36 per litre, while diesel has been increased by Rs11.37 per litre. The price of petrol has increased from Rs266.79 to Rs272.15 per l..... [more >>](#)

Govt cuts RLNG prices up to 2.68pc for July

Source: [Israr Ahmad, The News, International](#), 2025-07-16

ISLAMABAD: The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) trimmed prices of re-gasified liquefied natural gas (RLNG) by up to 2.68 per cent for July, citing a marginal drop in terminal charges as the primary reason for the adjustment. The regulator reduced its rates for both Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Ltd (SNGPL) and Sui Southern Gas Company Ltd (SSGCL), according to a notification issued on Tuesday..... [more >>](#)

Petrol price up by Rs5.36, HSD's by Rs11.37

Source: [Wasim Iqbal, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-16

ISLAMABAD: The federal government announced a significant hike in petroleum product prices on Tuesday, effective for the fortnight beginning July 16, 2025. This increase will see consumers paying considerably more at the pump. In a statement, Finance Division announced that petrol is set to rise by Rs 5.36 per litre, bringing the new ex-depot price to Rs 272.15 per litre, up from Rs 266.79. H..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's power sector held captive, now there are signs of breaking loose

Source: [BR Research, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-16

In Pakistan's complicated energy sector maze, a quiet battle has had the government and industries engaged, one that pits the struggling national grid against captive power plants (CPP). The arrangement came under scrutiny by the International Monetary Fund (IMF), and some progress has been made. Captive power plants, set up by industries that took advantage of natural gas at cheaper ra..... [more >>](#)

Outsourced power: how aid agencies engineered Pakistan's energy bureaucracy?—I

Source: [Nadeem ul Haque, Shahid Sattar and Absar Ali, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-16

In Pakistan's power sector, aid doesn't just fund wires and transformers—it writes policy, births institutions, and designs governance frameworks. From WAPDA's unbundling to today's regional micro-hydro initiatives, foreign donors and multilateral lenders have played a decisive role in shaping the country's entire energy architecture. What looks like a domestic [more >>](#)

KE's two-decade journey: a privatisation that delivered—II

Source: [Imran Rana, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-16

When discussing KE's generation portfolio, it's important to recognize that both private and public sector utilities operate within a regulated environment. Any investment in generation requires NEPRA's approval and must align with the Government of Pakistan's energy policies. In recent years, KE has been advised to off-take power from the national grid due to surplus avail..... [more >>](#)

SNGPL to set up desk at SCCI to facilitate businesses

Source: [Bureau Report, The News, International](#), 2025-07-17

PESHAWAR: The Sarhad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SCCI) and Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) on Wednesday agreed to establish a special desk at the chamber and appoint a focal person to facilitate the business community. The agreement was reached during a meeting between officials of SNGPL and SCCI president Fazal Moqem Khan here, said a press release. Speaking on the occasion, Faz..... [more >>](#)

Fuel price surge alarms industry

Source: [Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-17

KARACHI: Business leaders have warned that the hike in petroleum product prices will severely harm the industrial sector, increase production costs, and further erode the competitiveness of Pakistani goods in global markets. They also cautioned that the burden will ultimately fall on consumers, who will face higher transport fares and inflationary pressures. The government has increased petr..... [more >>](#)

Hubco seeks extension of coal plant guarantees

Source: [Reuters, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-17

KARACHI: Hub Power (Hubco), the country's largest independent power producer, said on Wednesday it was seeking an extension to \$51 million in bank guarantees to protect its coal-fired power plants, a crucial source of stable power amid Pakistan's rising use of solar. The guarantees, previously short-term, would now stay in place until 2034 to cover future loan repayments and potential..... [more >>](#)

Govt poised to do away with cross-subsidies for gas

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-17

ISLAMABAD: The government is set to end cross-subsidy for domestic gas consumers and introduce a direct budgeted subsidy model by 2026, in line with the mechanism established for the Power Division. The federal government is locked in negotiations with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) under the Resilience and Sustainability Facility to replace cross-subsidies with direct subsidies commens..... [more >>](#)

LESCO officers hold 48,000 open courts in one year

Source: [Our Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-18

Lahore - The Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) has successfully conducted more than 48,000 open courts during the fiscal year 2024-2025, emphasizing its commitment to addressing consumer complaints as a top priority, according to Chief Executive Engineer Muhammad Ramzan Butt. Under the guidance of Engineer Butt, LESCO has implemented a systematic and coordinated approach to open courts aimed [more >>](#)

Hubco seeks extension of \$51m guarantees to 'safeguard' coal plants

Source: [Reuters](#), [Business Recorder](#), [Islamabad](#), 2025-07-17

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Outsourced power: how aid agencies engineered Pakistan's energy bureaucracy?—II

Source: [Nadeem ul Haque](#), [Shahid Sattar](#) and [Absar Ali](#), [Business Recorder](#), [Islamabad](#), 2025-07-17

Enter 2025, it was decided that the fundamentally unsustainable power sector could only be saved by putting to waste years of policies and billions of dollars of gas-related investment and infrastructure. At the behest of the IMF, the government imposed a "grid transition levy" on gas consumption for captive power generation to force industries to the national grid. An Ordinance was ru..... [more >>](#)

Iesco best performer of power sector

Source: [Press Release](#), [The News](#), [International](#), 2025-07-18

Islamabad: Islamabad Electric Supply Company (IESCO) has proved itself as the leading distribution company of the power sector based on excellent performance and unmatched results during the financial year 2024-25, says a press release. According to details given in report at the end of the financial year 2023-2024 Transmission and distribution losses were 8.75% brought to 8.39% at the end of the [more >>](#)

Govt mulls delinking hydel profit from tariff

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn](#), [Islamabad](#), 2025-07-18

ISLAMABAD: The Power Division has opposed any move to burden electricity consumers with Rs170 billion in net hydel profit (NHP) arrears owed to provinces and urged delinking these payments from the electricity tariff. Alongside the Sindh government, the Power Division has also rejected proposals to transfer hydropower assets — including dam-based and run-of-the-river plants — to provi..... [more >>](#)

IESCO reports significant improvements in performance

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder](#), [Islamabad](#), 2025-07-18

ISLAMABAD: The Islamabad Electric Supply Company (IESCO) has reported significant improvements in its performance regarding revenue recovery and reduction in transmission and distribution losses during the financial year 2024–25. According to official figures, the IESCO successfully reduced its transmission and distribution losses from 8.75 percent at the end of FY 2023–24 to 8.39..... [more >>](#)

Bias as analysis

Source: [Moonis Alvi](#), [The News](#), [International](#), 2025-07-19

In a complex sector like energy, the space for thoughtful debate must always remain open, especially in the context of a developing economy like Pakistan's. But such debate must rest on facts, context and a genuine grasp of how infrastructure, regulation and investment intersect to serve any population. K-Electric (KE) caters to Karachi and its adjoining areas, which are home to over 20 mil..... [more >>](#)

Power consumers to get Rs0.65 per unit relief in August bills

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News](#), [International](#), 2025-07-19

ISLAMABAD: State-run power distribution companies have proposed a refund of Rs0.654 per unit to electricity consumers in August bills, citing lower fuel charges in June 2025, according to a petition filed with the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra). The Central Power Purchasing Agency (CPPA), acting on behalf of the Discos, submitted the application under the monthly Fuel Charge..... [more >>](#)

Nepra notifies Rs40 per unit tariff for KE

Source: [Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-19

ISLAMABAD: Ignoring the Power Division's challenge, the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Friday notified a Rs40 per unit consumer tariff for K-Electric (KE) for FY24. The tariff is based on an average five per cent unrecoverable bills and is indexed to inflation and exchange rate variations for a six-year period ending in FY30. The newly approved multi-year tariff (..... [more >>](#)

Discos seek to refund 65 paise

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-19

ISLAMABAD: Amid a modest 2 per cent increase in power consumption in June compared to last year and over 72pc supply from cheaper indigenous sources, public sector distribution companies (Discos) have sought a refund of 65 paise per unit to consumers under the fuel cost adjustment (FCA) mechanism for electricity consumed during the month. If approved, the ex-Wapda Distribution Companies..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan Post to print, distribute power bills across country

Source: [Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-19

RAWALPINDI: Pakistan Post and electricity distribution companies (DISCOs) decided in principle to hand over the distribution and printing of electricity bills across the country to Pakistan Post. A senior official the Pakistan Post told Dawn that all Postmaster Generals have been directed to contact the Disco, falling in their jurisdiction, for making a distribution plan for phase-1 by July 25..... [more >>](#)

NEPRA likely to cut power tariff by Rs0.65/unit for June

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-19

ISLAMABAD: Consumers are likely to receive relief in their electricity bills through a fuel charges adjustment for June 2025. This is due to a drop in energy prices used for power generation. NEPRA may reduce the power tariff by Rs0.6541 per kWh under the monthly FCA. It has scheduled a public hearing on July 30, 2025, regarding the proposed FCA for XWDISCOs. According to the CPPA-G, NEPRA has b..... [more >>](#)

Discontinuation of ED collection opposed; KP govt urges Power Division to reconsider decision

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-19

ISLAMABAD: The federal government's plan to discontinue the collection of Electricity Duty (ED) has hit another roadblock as the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) government has formally opposed the move, following the earlier objection by the Sindh government. The KP government has urged the Power Division to reconsider the decision in the interest of constitutional propriety, cooperative federalism,..... [more >>](#)

Power sector sitting on ticking time bomb

Source: [Farhat Ali, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-19

"The off-grid solar revolution" and "the surplus-grid capacity crisis" constitute a ticking time bomb for Pakistan's power sector. Pakistan is witnessing a silent but powerful transformation in its energy consumption patterns. In an environment plagued by high electricity tariffs, inconsistent power supply, and policy unpredictability, both industrial and agricultural..... [more >>](#)

WB outlines energy efficiency path for Pakistan's key industries

Source: [Amin Ahmed, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-21

ISLAMABAD: The World Bank, in a new report, has designed strategies for five key industrial sectors in Pakistan, highlighting significant opportunities for energy efficiency and decarbonisation to help the country manage soaring energy costs and meet its climate goals. The report 'Pakistan Energy Efficiency: Industrial Energy Efficiency and Decarbonisation (EE&D)', outlines stra..... [more >>](#)

PM blocks review of net metering policy, again

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-21

ISLAMABAD: For a third time, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has put on ice an official campaign against the government's solar net-metering policy, even before a formal summary seeking a proposed revision in buyback rates could reach his office. "We have been instructed by the Prime Minister's Office to stop this campaign against net-metering," a senior official in the po..... [more >>](#)

Lesco's 100-day report highlights strong governance, public service

Source: [Our Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-21

Lahore - The Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Ramzan Butt has stated that during the successful operation "Bunyan al-Marsus" in response to Indian aggression, LESCO stood alongside national security institutions. Under the directives of Prime Minister (PM) Mian Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif and Federal Minister Owais Laghari, LESCO has established a specia..... [more >>](#)

AF implementation for EDEIP; PD, Discos urged to speed up

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-21

ISLAMABAD: The World Bank has urged Pakistan's Power Division and three major Distribution Companies (Discos) to fast-track implementation of the Additional Financing (AF) for the Electricity Distribution Efficiency Improvement Project (EDEIP), warning that continued delays could hamper the timely and effective use of the \$55 million credit facility. In a letter addressed to Secretary E..... [more >>](#)

Gas tariffs: Will the PBS see it (right)?

Source: [BR Research, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-21

Earlier this month, BR Research highlighted how millions of domestic gas consumers are facing a significant hike in their monthly bills — even in the absence of any change in base tariffs. The shift came not through the headline rate per MMBTU, but more subtly through higher minimum charges and a sharp increase in fixed monthly fees. With the July 1 gas sales price notification now in e..... [more >>](#)

Saif Power Limited

Source: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-21

Saif Power Limited (PSX: SPWL) was incorporated in Pakistan as a public limited company in 2004. The company commenced its operations in 2010. The company owns, operates and maintains a combined cycle power plant with nameplate capacity of 225 MW. It is engaged in generating and selling electricity to Central Power Purchasing Agency Guarantee Limited (CPPA-G). Pattern of Shareholding As [more >>](#)

Discos overbilled consumers Rs244bn to hide losses

Source: [Our Correspondent, The News, International](#), 2025-07-22

ISLAMABAD: Eight state-run power distribution companies (Discos) illegally overbilled consumers by a staggering Rs244 billion over the last few years to conceal their own inefficiencies, with no disciplinary action taken against any officials involved. The audit report of FY2024-25 revealed the overbilling position of these companies till the fiscal year 2023-24, the overbilling was used to mask [more >>](#)

80pc power restored in rain affected areas

Source: [Press Release, The News, International](#), 2025-07-22

Islamabad: Islamabad Electric Supply Company (Iesco) Chief Executive Officer Muhammad Naeem Jan, Chief Engineer Operations Syed Kashif Shah, Chief Engineer O&M Zahid Saleem Usmani, and other senior officers visited the Dhudial area of Chakwal Circle to assess the damage caused to Iesco's infrastructure due to recent rains and the ongoing power restoration efforts in Talagang, Chakwal, Pin..... [more >>](#)

Power restored in Chakwal: Iesco

Source: [Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-22

ISLAMABAD: Over 99 high-tension and 49 low-tension electricity poles fell, and 65 transformers were completely damaged, disrupting power supply to large areas near Chakwal. However, the Islamabad Electric Supply Company (Iesco) claimed that electricity had been restored in over 80pc of the affected areas. The recent flash floods badly affected Talagang, Chakwal, Pind Dadan Khan and Dhudial areas..... [more >>](#)

Panels formed to address issues facing gas sector

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-22

ISLAMABAD: The government has established four specialised panels to address key issues in the gas sector, including circular debt, LNG tariffs, unaccounted-for gas (UFG) losses, and the increasing share of LNG in the national gas system, official sources told Business Recorder. According to sources, a Committee on Implementing Structural Reforms in the Petroleum Sector— formed by the P..... [more >>](#)

KP opposes decision for discontinuation of collection of 'Electricity Duty' through bills

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-23

ISLAMABAD - While strongly objecting to the decision of the federal government for discontinuation of collection of 'Electricity Duty' through consumer bills, the government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has termed it a violation of the provisions of the Constitution of Pakistan and the provincial laws. "The government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa strongly objects to the unilateral administrati..... [more >>](#)

PD in a quandary over less RLNG off-take by power plants

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-23

ISLAMABAD: Petroleum Division is still in a quandary over less off-take of Regasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) by the power plants, which is resulting in rapid saturation of Sui Northern Gas Company Limited (SNGPL) system, well informed sources told Business Recorder. "SNGPL is continuously reporting reduced RLNG consumption by the power sector against its committed demand of 600 MM..... [more >>](#)

Flat generation; rising pressures

Source: [BR Research, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-23

Power generation for FY25 has closed at 122.96 billion units, effectively flat year-on-year with a negligible 0.06 percent dip. But scratch the surface, and the stagnation tells a deeper story. This marks the lowest annual generation in five years, still 11 percent shy of the FY22 peak of 139 billion units. Even the modest 1.8 percent year-on-year growth in June 2025 hardly impresses—it rema..... [more >>](#)

KSA oil facility, rollover of time deposits keep things afloat

Source: [Hamza Habib, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-23

ISLAMABAD: The resumption of Saudi Oil facility and rollover of time deposits by China and Saudi Arabia kept the foreign economic assistance at comfortable level in 2024-25. According to the data released by Economic Affairs Division, the government received foreign economic assistance 37 percent less against the budget estimates in 2024-25. The budgetary estimate of foreign economic ass..... [more >>](#)

Denmark to launch 3-year SSC programme with Pak power sector

Source: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-23

ISLAMABAD: Denmark is set to launch a new three-year Strategic Sector Cooperation (SSC) programme with Pakistan's power sector, aimed at strengthening the technical capacity of key national energy institutions. According to Danish Ambassador to Pakistan, Jacob Linulf, the initiative—implemented by the Danish Energy Agency (DEA)—will commence on January 1, 2026. The prog..... [more >>](#)

IMF seeks plan to end circular debt Repayment of the bank loans is expected to span five years

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-24

ISLAMABAD: The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has asked Pakistan to submit a comprehensive plan to eliminate the growing circular debt. According to sources, the gas sector's circular debt has soared to Rs2,800 billion, causing severe financial strain on Sui gas companies and other state-run oil and gas entities. In response, the government is working on a strategy to address the crisis, [more >>](#)

KE agrees to pay Sindh Rs9b electricity duty

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-24

KARACHI: The K-Electric (KE) after several years of delay has started payments of electricity duty amounting to Rs32 billion, it has collected from consumers through monthly bills, to the Sindh government. As per the agreement, the power utility has agreed to pay Rs1.25 billion to the provincial government in two installments. This move is part of a broader agreement under which KE has committed..... [more >>](#)

Oh, the audacity of being a DISCO!

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-24

There was a reason the 'Apna Meter Apni Reading Scheme' earned public approval. It was not just about giving power back to the people; the real reason for the jubilation was that it took away from power distribution companies the opportunity to be dishonest with their customers. Now, an official audit has alleged massive irregularities in how consumers were billed in FY24 by state..... [more >>](#)

Has Rs1.71/unit electricity relief vanished?

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-24

It was widely expected that the government would continue the Rs1.71 per unit electricity subsidy component—backed by the IMF staff-level agreement, which explicitly cited plans to fund the relief via additional Petroleum Levy collections. Yet, to the surprise of many, the subsidy appears to have quietly disappeared—if not formally withdrawn, then at least absent from the electricity bill..... [more >>](#)

Oil and Gas Development Company Limited

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-24

Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (PSX: OGDC) is Pakistan's largest exploration and production company, engaged in exploration, drilling, production, reservoir management, and engineering support. It holds the most extensive exploration acreage in the country, covering over 40 percent of awarded blocks, giving it a leading role in the development of Pakistan's oil and gas resources..... [more >>](#)

Discos' June FCA; FPCCI flags objections and regulatory queries

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-24

ISLAMABAD: The Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) has raised formal objections and regulatory queries on FCA of Discos for June 2025. In a letter to Registrar, Nepra, FPCCI said that while the proposed negative adjustment of Rs. 0.6541/kWh may appear consumer-friendly but it grossly under-represents the hidden inefficiencies, persistent opacity, and regulatory sh..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan to open power market in 2 months, ending state monopoly

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-07-25

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan will roll out its first-ever competitive electricity market within two months, ending decades of government-driven power procurement and opening the sector to private trading. Energy Minister Sardar Awaiz Ahmad Khan Leghari on Thursday told a visiting World Bank delegation, led by Regional Vice President for the Middle East, North Africa, Afghanistan, and Pakistan Ousmane Dion..... [more >>](#)

Govt targets offshore drilling with new partners

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-25

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has decided to again try its luck in offshore drilling by forging new partnerships with countries like Turkiye and Russia. Earlier, domestic companies including Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL) and Pakistan Petroleum Limited (PPL) struggled to find hydrocarbon reserves in an offshore zone in Arabian Sea in association with US energy giant ExxonMobil and Italian..... [more >>](#)

CTBCM policy to be implemented in next 2 months: Awais Leghari

Source: [Our Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-25

ISLAMABAD - Minister for Power Division Sardar Awais Ahmed Khan Leghari on Thursday said that Competitive Trading Bilateral Contract Market (CTBCM) policy will be implemented in next two months for the first time in the country's history, adding that after that the government will not purchase electricity directly. The minister expressed these views during a meeting with a high-level World [more >>](#)

Gas injustice in Balochistan

Source: [BR Research, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-25

Uniformity in gas pricing may make for clean regulation, but in Pakistan's fragmented socioeconomic landscape, it often produces more friction than fairness. A case in point is Balochistan — where the prevailing gas tariff regime, especially the classification of almost all domestic consumers as "Non-Protected," continues to compound marginalization and fuel systemic ineffi..... [more >>](#)

FESCO launches 'Apna Meter, Apni Reading' programme

Source: [Press Release, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-25

FAISALABAD: On the special directives of the Federal Minister for Energy Awais Leghari and Chief Executive Officer FESCO Engr Muhammad Aamer, Faisalabad Electric Supply Company (FESCO) has launched the "Apna Meter, Apni Reading" programme which is a practical embodiment of the Prime Minister of Pakistan's vision of "Digital Pakistan", through which transparency, effi..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan sells scrap from idle power plants for Rs46.7bn

Source: [Israr Khan, The News, International](#), 2025-07-26

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has completed the sale of scrap from 61 obsolete state-owned thermal power plants for Rs46.73 billion, slightly above the reserve price of Rs45.82 billion, in a move officials say will reduce financial burdens and help ease electricity bills for consumers. The scrap came from old and non-functioning power generation plants that were draining billions of rupees every year. The [more >>](#)

Nepra told to conduct 'technical survey' of KE to verify claim of infrastructure improvement

Source: [Sumair Abdullah, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-26

KARACHI: The Sindh High Court (SHC) has asked the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) to conduct a technical survey to ascertain whether the K-Electric (KE) has improved its infrastructure, as claimed before the court. The direction came as a two-judge bench comprising Justice Muhammad Faisal Kamal Alam and Justice Muhammad Hasan Akber took up a petition against prolonged loads..... [more >>](#)

LNG deal: game-changer or financial curse?

Source: [Imtiaz Gul, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-26

Few decisions have cast as dark and enduring shadows on Pakistan's economy as the power sector — electricity and gas. The 2016 LNG deal stands out as one of the contributors to this adversity. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi had, as petroleum minister, led the country into this contract with Qatar and touted it as a game-changer for the country's energy crisis. Nearly a decade on, one wonders [more >>](#)

Seminar on strategy to eliminate electricity theft held

Source: [Our Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-26

Lahore - In accordance with the vision of Prime Minister of Pakistan, Mian Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif, and the directives of Federal Minister for Energy, Sardar Owais Ahmad Khan Leghari, the Institution of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Pakistan (IEEEP) and Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) organized a high-level national seminar at the renowned Faletti's Hotel in Lahore. The seminar..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan imposes Rs238 per MMBtu levy on captive power plants to meet IMF condition

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-26

ISLAMABAD - To fulfil another condition set by the International Monetary Fund (IMF), Pakistan has imposed Rs238 per Million British Thermal Units levy on the supply of gas to the captive power plants. "In exercise of the powers conferred by Sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Off the Grid (Captive Power Plants) Levy Act, 2025 (XIV of 2025), the federal government is pleased to notify that t..... [more >>](#)

KE ready for technical survey as directed by Sindh High Court

Source: [Press Release, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-26

Karachi - During the hearing of the case related to load-shedding in Karachi, K-Electric submitted before the Sindh High Court that 70 percent of K-Electric's network is exempted from load-shedding, said its spokesperson. Following privatization, K-Electric has invested over \$4 billion in its infrastructure. As a result of this investment, distribution losses have been halved and the custom..... [more >>](#)

Export-oriented industry rates; MoC opposes gas/RLNG supply to Ghani Glass

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-26

ISLAMABAD: Ministry of Commerce (MoC) has opposed provision of gas/RLNG to M/s Ghani Glass Limited as per rates made available to the export-oriented industry. According to the details, in 2019, M/s Ghani Glass Ltd. filed a Writ Petition in the Lahore High Court and prayed that the concessionary gas/RLNG tariff-fixed at Rs. 600 per MMBTU granted to the zero-rated/export- oriented sectors, may..... [more >>](#)

Govt issues show-cause notice to energy firms

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-27

ISLAMABAD: The government has served a show-cause notice on Spud Energy Limited and Frontier Holdings Limited over alleged change in ownership and effective control without prior government approval. The Directorate General of Petroleum Concessions (DGPC), Ministry of Energy (Petroleum Division), has issued the notice for an act that may constitute violation of petroleum rules. The Petroleum Div..... [more >>](#)

Show-cause notices issued to two energy companies

Source: [Kalbe Ali, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-27

ISLAMABAD: The Directorate General of Petroleum Concessions (DGPC) under the Ministry of Energy (Petroleum Division) has issued show-cause notices to two petroleum companies, Spud Energy Pty Ltd (SEPL) and Frontier Holdings Ltd (FHL), for failing to disclose recent changes in their ownership structures. The Petroleum Division emphasised that any change in a..... [more >>](#)

The power sector puzzle

Source: [Editorial, The News, International](#), 2025-07-28

One of the most persistent debates in Pakistan's economic policymaking is whether the state should divest itself of commercial responsibilities and allow private actors to take over, or whether it must remain a principal provider of essential services. This conversation has gained renewed urgency with the government's recent proposal to privatise three power distribution companies (Dis..... [more >>](#)

As per promise with IMF: Govt all set to reduce circular debt from Rs2.3tr to just Rs561bn

Source: [Khalid Mustafa, The News, International](#), 2025-07-28

ISLAMABAD: In a much-awaited development, the government is all set to reduce power sector circular debt from Rs2.381 trillion to just close to Rs561 billion by making payments of Rs1,275 billion obtained from 18 commercial banks to pay the Power Holding Limited (PHL) liabilities and some power houses. This is certainly a significant achievement of the government, as the circular debt-ridden powe..... [more >>](#)

Pricing electricity correctly

Source: [Ammar H Khan | Shamir Khan, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-28

PAKISTAN'S electricity sector stands at a critical inflection point. While the country has amassed more than enough generation capacity to meet its needs, our tariff structure, following an archaic International Monetary Fund (IMF) driven cost-plus regime, continues to punish demand rather than enable it. The result is a grid increasingly starved of industrial users, while factories defec..... [more >>](#)

Working in silos will not do

Source: [Editorial, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-28

The energy sector's complex web is becoming increasingly difficult to manage as authorities continue to attempt to solve issues in silos, an approach that only complicates the problems. Currently, the Energy Task Force (ETF) and the Power and Petroleum Divisions are developing their own solutions without considering their interconnectivity and interdependence. With the power sector&rsqu..... [more >>](#)

Minister orders Ogra to review gas firms' revenue needs

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-29

ISLAMABAD: Minister for Petroleum Division, Ali Pervaiz Malik, has directed the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) to review every component of the revenue requirements of the Sui gas companies. The aim is to reduce gas prices and address the growing circular debt issue, sources told Business Recorder. The circular debt in the petroleum sector has reached approximately Rs 2.8 trillion. T..... [more >>](#)

Karachi trade bodies urge Nepra to upload KE's May FCA plea on website

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-29

ISLAMABAD: Trade associations from Karachi have urged National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) to upload K-Electric's Fuel Charges Adjustment (FCA) petition for May 2025 without further delay. In letters addressed to Nepra Registrar, the Bin Qasim Association of Trade and Industry (BQATI), Korangi Association of Trade and Industry (KATI), and Pakistan Tanners Association (PT..... [more >>](#)

TTS roadmap; Ogra meets key oil industry players

Source: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-29

ISLAMABAD: The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) conducted an interactive session on Monday with key stakeholders from Pakistan's oil industry to review the progress and future roadmap of the nationwide Track and Trace System for the oil supply chain. The session, held via Zoom, is part of OGRA's broader digital transformation agenda to enhance transparency, safety, and effi..... [more >>](#)

Permission to KE to recover Rs50bn; Sindh PA speaks in unison against Nepra

Source: [Anwar Khan, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-29

KARACHI: The Sindh Assembly on Monday witnessed strong cross-party consensus against Nepra's recent decision allowing K-Electric to recover Rs50 billion from Karachi residents through electricity bills. The move sparked protests from both the treasury and opposition benches, as lawmakers argued that the decision amounted to "collective punishment" for power theft committed by a f..... [more >>](#)

Fuel prices likely to drop for next fortnight

Source: [Our Correspondent](#) , [The News, International](#) , 2025-07-30

ISLAMABAD: The fuel prices are likely to drop for the fortnight starting from August 1. The next fortnight will see the price of petrol drop by Rs9.07 and that of diesel by Rs3.73 per litre due to fluctuation in international oil prices from July 16, 2025. More importantly, the value of US dollar versus Pak Rupee will also be adjusted and this may further impact the POL prices. According to indu..... [more >>](#)

Govt to refund Rs53.4bn in power bills

Source: [Our Correspondent](#) , [The News, International](#) , 2025-07-30

ISLAMABAD: Power consumers across Pakistan, including those served by K-Electric, are poised to receive a Rs53.4 billion refund in their electricity bills as the federal government moves to implement a negative quarterly tariff adjustment for the final quarter (April-June) of fiscal 2024-25. The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) will hold a public hearing on August 4 on a petit..... [more >>](#)

Where did the gas go?

Source: [Srraa Tahir](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-07-30

IN most middle-income countries, particularly across the Global South, it's rare for households to receive piped natural gas directly into their homes. Pakistan is one of the few exceptions. In cities like Karachi, Lahore and Islamabad, gas flows directly into people's kitchens, a convenience many developed countries still don't offer. We've taken it for granted. But step [more >>](#)

Petrol, diesel may see up to Rs9 per litre cut

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-07-30

ISLAMABAD: After four consecutive hikes, petrol and diesel prices are expected to fall by about Rs9 and Rs3.50 per litre, respectively, for the upcoming fortnight ending Aug 15, owing to lower international oil prices and reduced import premiums, sources said on Tuesday. Based on prevailing tax rates, the ex-depot price of petrol is estimated to decline by around Rs9 per litre (3.3 per cent), w..... [more >>](#)

Quarterly Tariff Adjustments: Discos seek Nepra nod for Rs53.39b refund to consumers

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2025-07-30

ISLAMABAD - The country's electricity consumers are all set to get relief as ex-Wapda Power Distribution Companies (Discos) have sought NEPRA's nod for a refund of Rs53.393 billion to consumers on account of Quarterly Tariff Adjustments, mainly due to the reduction of capacity payments. The capacity payments of the Discos considerably declined by Rs53.714 billion, while the impact of [more >>](#)

National Grid Company energises 500kV transmission line

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2025-07-30

ISLAMABAD - The National Grid Company of Pakistan Ltd (NGC) has successfully energised the 500 kV K2/K3–Matiari and KKI–Port Qasim transmission line circuits, marking a major step forward in strengthening the nation's power infrastructure. The 102km long transmission line (double-circuit, quadbundle) is intended to evacuate 2,200MW power from K2 and K3 nuclear power plants near K..... [more >>](#)

K-Electric tariff increase

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2025-07-30

In a deeply troubling move that has rightly sparked political outrage across party lines, Nepra has approved K-Electric's multi-year tariff that allows the utility to recover a staggering Rs50 billion in write-off losses from consumers. This decision, which effectively permits K-Electric to pass on the cost of unpaid bills and inefficiencies to its paying customers, raises serious questions ab..... [more >>](#)

Power consumers to get Rs53b refund

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-30

ISLAMABAD: The government is set to pass on Rs53.4 billion worth of refunds to electricity consumers across the country, including those of K-Electric, under quarterly tariff adjustment for the fourth quarter (April-June) of fiscal year 2024-25. The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) will hold a public hearing on August 4 on a petition filed by the Central Power Purchasing Agen..... [more >>](#)

PA unites against NEPRA's Rs50b surcharge

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-30

KARACHI: The Sindh Assembly session was held on Tuesday under the chairmanship of Panel of Chairperson Nida Khuhro. At the beginning of the session, Fateha was offered for the martyrs of the military who were victims of terrorism in Balochistan and the martyred Palestinians in Gaza, while prayers were also offered for the security and prosperity of the country. During the session, a joint resolu..... [more >>](#)

Consumers of KE, others; Govt to pass on Rs53.4bn relief under QTA for Q4'25

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-30

ISLAMABAD: The federal government is set to pass on financial relief of Rs 53.4 billion to electricity consumers across the country, including those served by K-Electric, under the Quarterly Tariff Adjustment (QTA) mechanism for the fourth quarter of the fiscal year 2024–25. If implemented in the billing months of August, September, and October 2025, the relief will translate into a red..... [more >>](#)

PM told; DISCOs slash losses by Rs193bn

Source: [Zulfiqar Ahmad, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-30

ISLAMABAD: In a rare breakthrough for the country's beleaguered power sector, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif was informed on Tuesday that power distribution companies (DISCOs) had slashed their losses by a staggering Rs193 billion – marking a game-changing improvement of Rs242 billion in their financial health. While chairing a high-level meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Energy, the [more >>](#)

Karachi's electricity consumers; Sindh PA rejects Rs50bn extra burden

Source: [Anwar Khan, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-30

KARACHI: The Sindh Assembly on Tuesday unanimously passed a joint resolution rejecting NEPRA's decision to burden Karachi's electricity consumers with an additional Rs50 billion through inflated bills. The resolution, jointly tabled by Muttahida Qaumi Movement's Aamir Siddiqui, Pakistan Peoples Party's Heer Ismail Soho, and Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf's Shabbir Qure..... [more >>](#)

Big decrease in POL products' prices likely

Source: [Wasim Iqbal, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-30

ISLAMABAD: A substantial decrease in the prices of petroleum products is anticipated for the fortnight commencing August 1, 2025, depending on exchange rate adjustments for Pakistan State Oil (PSO) and the prevailing taxes and levies applied to fuel. According to estimates, globally the premium on petrol has gone down by \$2.92 per bbl — from \$9.68 per bbl to \$6.76 per bbl — and on..... [more >>](#)

NGC energises 500kV Port Qasim-Matiari transmission line

Source: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-30

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Fury erupts as Rs7.41 per unit relief reversed

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-31

ISLAMABAD: The business community has voiced serious concerns over the abrupt withdrawal of a promised Rs7.41 per unit electricity relief and the prolonged outage of the 969-megawatt Neelum-Jhelum Hydropower Project (NJHP), warning of accelerating de-industrialisation. These grievances surfaced during a public hearing held by the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra), on the Cent..... [more >>](#)

Power sector's circular debt hits Rs1.6trn mark: CPPA-G

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-31

ISLAMABAD: The Central Power Purchasing Agency-Guaranteed (CPPA-G) revealed that the power sector's circular debt stood at Rs1.6 trillion as of June 30, 2025, excluding the financial impact of recovery shortfalls and distribution losses. This disclosure came just a day after the Power Division informed the Prime Minister during a Cabinet Committee on Energy (CCoE) meeting that circular [more >>](#)

Power tariffs: The final negative adjustment?

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-31

As widely anticipated, the periodic adjustment under the Quarterly Tariff Adjustment (QTA) mechanism for 4QFY25 has come in at a negative Rs53 billion—marking the sharpest single-quarter negative adjustment on record. This also makes it the third consecutive quarter of negative QTA, each exceeding Rs50 billion. The QTA currently in effect pertains to 3QFY25, with a negative adjustment o..... [more >>](#)

Thar coal: TCEB approves strategic tariff, policy measures

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-31

KARACHI: Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah presided over the 29th meeting of the Thar Coal & Energy Board (TCEB) to review ongoing projects and approved several strategic initiatives aimed at enhancing the region's coal mining and electricity generation capabilities. The chief minister, who is also chairman of TCEB, stated that since 2019, Thar's coal power initiatives [more >>](#)

Karachi's waste finds new life in landmark eco-friendly biogas project

Source: [Azeem Samar](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-07-21

In a major stride towards sustainable waste management, the Sindh Solid Waste Management Board (SSWMB) has successfully commissioned and operated a pilot biogas plant in Karachi, aiming to reduce the city's carbon footprint and revolutionise how organic waste is disposed of. Installed at the Karachi Metropolitan Corporation workshop on Nishtar Road in District South, the 5m³ capacity b..... [more >>](#)

Parliamentary committee slams Ogra over unlicensed LPG tankers, cites major oversight gaps

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-16

ISLAMABAD - The Standing Committee on Planning, Development and Special Initiatives on Tuesday strongly criticised the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) for regulatory lapses, particularly regarding the vast number of unregistered LPG tankers operating across the country and noted that only 12 percent of the bowsers have been issued licenses by the authority. The committee noted that of t..... [more >>](#)

Probe into power projects; Senate panel for action against PD for providing 'misleading' info

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-20

ISLAMABAD: The Senate Standing Committee on Economic Affairs has recommended the Economic Affairs Division (EAD) taking action against the Power Division for allegedly providing misleading information during an inquiry initiated by the former caretaker Federal Minister for Energy. The inquiry pertains to the ACSR Bunting Conductor tender and the World Bank-funded 765kV Dasu-Islamabad Transmis..... [more >>](#)

Senate body seeks requisite info on IPPs agreements

Source: [Naveed Butt](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-22

ISLAMABAD: The Senate Functional Committee on Devolution, expressing strong disapproval over the absence of the secretary Establishment Division in the meeting, and directed that the requisite information on independent power producers (IPPs) agreements be provided to the committee at the earliest. The committee met with Senator Dr Zarqa Suharwardhy Taimur in the chair at the Parliament Lodge..... [more >>](#)

NA body slams Ogra over unregistered LPG tankers in KP and theft in Sindh

Source: [Tahir Amin](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-16

ISLAMABAD: The National Assembly Standing Committee on Planning, Development and Special Initiatives, while drawing attention to the unchecked and hazardous sale of LPG in plastic bags in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and rampant theft in Sindh, sharply criticised the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) for regulatory lapses, particularly regarding the vast number of unregistered LPG tankers operating ac..... [more >>](#)

NA body concerned over financial burden imposed by capacity payments for unused electricity

Source: [Imran Ali Kundi](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-24

ISLAMABAD - The National Assembly Standing Committee on Economic Affairs Division on Wednesday expressed serious concern over the substantial financial burden imposed by capacity payments for the unused electricity, which continues to strain the national exchequer despite serving no practical purpose. A meeting of National Assembly Standing Committee on Economic Affairs Division was held under the..... [more >>](#)

EV shift to cut fuel import bill, says PM Calls for aligning civil service with modern technology

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-19

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Friday said that encouraging the use of electric vehicles (EVs) will help save billions of dollars in valuable foreign exchange spent on fuel, support environmental protection efforts, and promote the local industry. Chairing a meeting on encouraging usage of electric vehicles in the country, the prime minister directed to prepare a comprehensive gover..... [more >>](#)

Renewable Energy

CM Punjab launches 'Waste to Value' project Officials: 275K carbon credits, \$4.2M/year expected from site rehab

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-29

LAHORE: "A successful experiment for making biogas from biodegradable animal waste has been conducted at Lakhodair in Lahore for the first time in history," announced Punjab Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif on Monday while chairing a briefing on the project of Lahore Waste Management Company (LWMC). She directed the authorities concerned to start the 'Waste to Value' project [more >>](#)

Major roads to get solar-powered lights by Sept

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-16

KARACHI: In a step towards urban uplift and sustainable energy, the Karachi Metropolitan Corporation (KMC) has initiated the solarisation of key roads across the city. Mayor Murtaza Wahab has set a deadline of 30 September, 2025, for the illumination of major city arteries using solar-powered streetlights. The project, part of KMC's broader green energy initiative, includes the solarisation [more >>](#)

Pakistan's quiet solar rush puts pressure on national grid

Source: [Zain Zaman Janjua, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-17

Pakistanis are increasingly ditching the national grid in favour of solar power, prompting a boom in rooftop panels and spooking a government weighed down by billions of dollars of power sector debt. The quiet energy revolution has spread from wealthy neighbourhoods to middle- and lower-income households as customers look to escape soaring electricity bills and prolonged power cuts. Down..... [more >>](#)

Solar Pakistan 2025 kicks off at Multan

Source: [Press Release, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-19

MULTAN: Solar Pakistan 2025, Region's largest solar energy exhibition, opened at Railway Officers Club, Multan. Organised by Fakt Exhibitions (Pvt.) Ltd., the three-day event that will continue till July 20, brings together over 50 companies, industry experts, and policymakers to showcase the latest in solar and alternative energy technologies. The inauguration ceremony was graced by Mu..... [more >>](#)

Solar uptake, slowdown stall FY25 power growth

Source: [Tanveer Malik, The News, International](#), 2025-07-20

KARACHI: Power generation remained largely flat in the fiscal year 2024-25, as rising solar adoption and reduced industrial activity continued to suppress on-grid electricity demand. Official data shows total power generation reached 127,160 GWh during FY25, almost unchanged from the 127,165 GWh recorded in the previous fiscal year. In June, power generation increased by 2.0 per cent compared to..... [more >>](#)

ICCI president calls for shifting towards alternate energy solutions

Source: [News Wire, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-21

ISLAMABAD - President of Islamabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI) Nasir Mansoor Qureshi on Sunday underlined the critical importance of shifting towards alternate energy solutions to meet Pakistan's energy needs and strengthen climate resilience. Addressing the PAEA National Conference on Alternate Energy and Climate Resilience, he emphasized that the adoption of green and renewable..... [more >>](#)

Sunny side up

Source: [Editorial, The News, International](#), 2025-07-23

A drone's eye view of Pakistan today would reveal rooftops blanketed with blue – solar panels lined up in neat rows, glinting under the sun. Symbols of modern energy efficiency they may be but they are also the desperate solutions of a people fed up with unreliable power supply, unpayable bills and a government unable to meet their needs. From urban homes to commercial buildings, the s..... [more >>](#)

A moment of opportunity: supercharging clean energy age

Source: [Antonio Guterrus, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-23

Energy has shaped humanity's path – from mastering fire, to harnessing steam, to splitting the atom. Today, we're at the dawn of a new era. The sun is rising on a clean energy age. Last year, nearly all new power capacity came from renewables. Investment in clean energy soared to \$2 trillion – \$800 billion more than fossil fuels. Solar and wind are now the cheapest sources of..... [more >>](#)

Policy reversal hits solar transition Net metering cuts spark backlash as govt shifts burden to solar users

Source: [Shahram Haq, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-24

LAHORE: Pakistan's power sector stands at a critical juncture, as a growing mismatch between policy direction and implementation threatens to derail the country's clean energy transition. While the government once championed rooftop solar installations as a long-term solution to rising electricity costs and energy insecurity, it is now reversing course – particularly in the net met..... [more >>](#)

Experts seek policy for solar manufacturing base

Source: [APP](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-24

ISLAMABAD: Experts at a high-level consultative session stressed that Pakistan must urgently develop a comprehensive policy framework to strengthen its domestic solar manufacturing ecosystem amid rising energy demands and growing reliance on imports. The session was hosted by the US-Pakistan Centre for Advanced Studies in Energy (USPCAS-E) at NUST. The event marked the launch of a study titled [more >>](#)

Solar progress undone Pakistan's installed generation capacity may have crossed 46,000 MW

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-25

In a country plagued by energy insecurity and spiralling power costs, Pakistan's foray into solar energy once offered a rare glimmer of hope. But in a troubling turn of events, that hope is now dimming. By slashing the net metering buyback rate from Rs27 to a meagre Rs10 per unit, the government has not only jolted hundreds of thousands of rooftop solar users but also undermined its own clean [more >>](#)

Solar shapes all the curves

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-29

The hourly electricity demand and generation curves are no longer what they used to be — and that's just comparing summer and winter between 2024 and 2025. One look at the load profiles tells you something seismic is underway: solarization is fundamentally reshaping the grid. The mid-day dip in demand, more pronounced than ever, reflects the quiet revolution happening on rooftops across..... [more >>](#)

KE getting cheaper power from Sindh's solar parks: Nasir Shah

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-30

Karachi Sindh Minister for Energy, Planning, and Development Syed Nasir Hussain Shah has said that K-Electric is being provided low-cost electricity from the Nooriabad Power Plant and other hybrid and solar parks in Sindh, with plans for further supply in the future. Despite this, KE continues to raise concerns over fossil fuel costs, which he termed "regrettable." Speaking at a special..... [more >>](#)

A great hue and cry over solar buyback rates

Source: [Asad Mehmood](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-30

Third time in a row in July 2025, Pakistan's net metering policy change once again has been frozen in time, waiting to be thawed someday. The proposed changes in March sparked heated debates, especially among the political circles, capitalizing upon their vote bank through solar panel distribution. Concerns were raised about discouraging solar adoption and harming the renewable energy sector..... [more >>](#)

Minister tells FPCCI body; KE receiving low-cost power from Sindh's hybrid, solar parks

Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-30

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SDPI's Engagement

MoUs News

SDPI, Pathfinder Int'l sign MoU to collaborate on health, climate & gender issues

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2025-07-21

ISLAMABAD, Jul 21 (APP): The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and Pathfinder International have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) aimed at fostering collaboration in areas of mutual interest including public health, climate resilience, gender equity, social protection, and urban resilience. The MoU sets out a framework for future cooperation between the two organizations,..... [more >>](#)

SDPI, Pathfinder Int'l Sign MoU To Collaborate On Health, Climate & Gender Issues

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-07-21

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SDPI, Pathfinder International join forces to tackle health, gender, & climate challenges in Pakistan

Source: [WNP](#), [World News Pakistan](#), 2025-07-21

ISLAMABAD, Monday, July 21, 2025 (WNP): The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and Pathfinder International signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Monday to collaborate across critical areas including public health, climate resilience, gender equity, social protection, and urban resilience in a strategic move to accelerate progress on inclusive development in Pakistan. The agr..... [more >>](#)

SDPI, ICIMOD forge strategic climate partnership to safeguard Hindu Kush future

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2025-07-25

ISLAMABAD, July 25 (SABAH): Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD) here on Friday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to foster research, regional cooperation, and climate-resilient development across the Hindu Kush Himalayan (HKH) region. Heads of both the organizations, Dr. Abid Qaiyum Suleri, Executive Direct..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-07-25

ISLAMABAD, (APP - Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 25th Jul, 2025) Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD) here on Friday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to foster research, regional cooperation, and climate-resilient development across the Hindu Kush Himalayan (HKH) region. Heads of both the organizations, [more >>](#)

Pakistan's SDPI and ICIMOD Unite for Regional Climate Cooperation Across Himalayas

Source: [TCN](#), [The Catch Line](#), 2025-07-25

ISLAMABAD: In a landmark moment for regional environmental diplomacy, Pakistan's Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and the International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD) signed a seven-year Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) focused on climate resilience, research, and policy engagement in the Hindu Kush Himalayan (HKH) region. Signed by Dr. Abid Qaiyum Sul..... [more >>](#)

SDPI, ICIMOD Sign MoU to Boost Climate Resilience in Hindu Kush HimalayasSource: [TPT](#), [The Public Tribune](#), 2025-07-25

ISLAMABAD, July 25, 2025: In a significant move to address mounting climate challenges in the Hindu Kush Himalayan (HKH) region, the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) and the International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD) signed a comprehensive Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Friday. The agreement aims to foster cross-border research, policy cooperation, and [more >>](#)

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Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2025-07-25

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) خطے میں ماحولیاتی تحفظ، پائیدار ترقی اور تحقیق پر مبنی اشتراک عمل کے ایک اہم سنگ میل کے طور پر پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (SDPI) اور بین الاقوامی مرکز برائے یکساں پہاڑی ترقی (ICIMOD) نے بندوکش ہمالیا..... [more >>](#)

بندوکش ہمالیائی خطے کے تحفظ کے لئے 7 سالہ شراکت داری

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Pakistan faces Climate Risks, needs Global Support and Local Resilience, Jakob Linulf

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Danish envoy seeks world support for Pakistan's climate challenges

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ISLAMABAD: Danish Ambassador Jakob Linulf has urged the international community to support Pakistan to overcome climate challenges. "Countries like Pakistan, which are deeply vulnerable to climate disruptions, need not only international cooperation but also localised strategies for resilience," he said. The outgoing ambassador said his country would extend cooperation to Pakista..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Daily Nawa e Waqt](#), 2025-07-30

اسلام آباد (خبرنگار) پاکستان میں تعینات ڈنمارک کے سیکڈوش ہونے والے سفیر جیکب لِنولف نے کہا ہے کہ ایسے ممالک جو ماحولیاتی بگاڑ سے شدید متاثر ہوتے ہیں انہیں بین الاقوامی تعاون کے ساتھ ساتھ مقامی سطح پر استحکام اور مزاحمتی حکمت عملیاں اپنانے کی ضرورت ہے..... [more >>](#)

ماحولیاتی تحفظ: ڈنمارک اور ایس ڈی پی اے کے مابین معاہدہ

Source: [Nama Nigar](#), [Dunya News](#), 2025-07-30

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معاہدہ پر دستخط

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-07-29

اسلام آباد (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 29 جولائی 2025ء) پاکستان کی اقتصادی منصوبہ بندی کو ماحولیاتی تحفظ سے ہم آہنگ کرنے کے لئے ڈنمارک اور پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) کے مابین ایک معاہدے پر دستخط [more >>](#).....

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SDPI Articles

Sustainable and Secure Data Centre Ecosystem

Source: Brigadier Mohammad Yasin (Retired), [Daily Times](#), 2025-07-23

"I can't drink the water" – life next to a US data centre. When Beverly Morris retired in 2016, she thought she had found her dream home – a peaceful stretch of rural Georgia, surrounded by trees and quiet. Today, it's nothing but. Just 400 yards (366m) from her front porch in Mansfield, Georgia, sits a large, windowless building filled with servers, cables, a..... [more >>](#)

A summer we must not ignore

Source: Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri, [The News, International](#), 2025-07-23

The summer of 2025 has shown once again that climate change is no longer a slow crisis. From Catalonia (Spain) to Chakwal, Moscow to New Jersey, and Texas to Himachal Pradesh, heavy rains and flash floods have transformed highways into rivers, cities into wetlands, and villages into ruins. If the 2022 floods in Pakistan were meant to be a global wake-up call, this July's events indicate the [more >>](#)

Tobacco taxation and youth initiation

Source: Hifza Kanwal and Radma Nouman Shah, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-23

Tobacco use in Pakistan is not just a public health concern, it is a fiscal crisis demanding urgent re-evaluation of cigarette taxation especially as it fuels youth initiation. Every year, it claims approximately 164,000 lives and drains nearly Rs 700 billion from the economy through healthcare and lost productivity. Despite this, cigarette taxes have remained untouched since February 2023. Policy..... [more >>](#)

Let's not waste the carbon levy

Source: Dr Khalid Waleed, [The News, International](#), 2025-07-25

Pakistan is no stranger to climate catastrophes. Each monsoon seems to write its own obituary of human life and infrastructural integrity. This year has been no exception. In a span of just a few days, torrential rains across Punjab have claimed more than 200 lives, including dozens of innocent children – crushed under collapsed roofs, drowned in rising waters, or electrocuted by exposed wi..... [more >>](#)

Decentralization deferred: The unfulfilled promise of 18th Amendment and local governance

Source: Syeda Dua Raza, Abdullah Khalid, Saad Ali Ahmed, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-24

In 2010, Pakistan passed the landmark 18th Constitutional Amendment, a legislative milestone that was widely hailed as a turning point in the country's journey toward democratic deepening and decentralization. The amendment was envisioned as a transformative measure one that would transfer legislative, administrative, and fiscal authority from the federal center to the provinces, and eventua..... [more >>](#)

Drowning in neglect

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Pakistan is once again reeling from the devastation of relentless monsoon rains and floods. In just three weeks, more than a hundred lives have been lost – half of them children – across Punjab, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Gilgit-Baltistan. Streets have become rivers, homes are submerged, and rescue efforts struggle to keep pace. Familiar scenes of despair – families stranded, helico..... [more >>](#)

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Facilitating investment and industry

Source: [Maheen Rehan](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-07-27

The past year has witnessed a remarkable transformation in Pakistan's macroeconomic landscape. Fiscal deficits have narrowed, with a historic primary surplus of 3.0 percent of GDP for July-March, the first fiscal surplus in 24 years, and inflation has receded to a six-decade low of 0.3 percent (in April 2025), down from 17.3 percent a year earli..... [more >>](#)

Why gender laws need follow-up

Source: [Abdullah Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-07-31

In recent years, Pakistan has seen the passage of several progressive laws aimed at safeguarding women's rights, laws that promise protection against violence, harassment at the workplace, equal participation and access to property. Yet, despite these well-intentioned efforts, a troubling question remains: why do these laws not translate into real-world impact for most Pakistani women? Th..... [more >>](#)

SDPI News

C'wealth recognizes SDPI as its accredited body

Source: [APP](#), [Daily Times](#), 2025-07-17

Commonwealth Secretariat at Marlborough House, London has formally recognized Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) as an Accredited Organization of the Commonwealth. This prestigious accreditation places SDPI, a leading policy research think tank of Pakistan, among a select group of institutions from across the 56 member countries that contribute to the Commonwealth's mission of [more >>](#)

SDPI shines as Pakistan's first accredited organization at C'wealth Dialogue

Source: [Web Desk](#), [LEAD Pakistan](#), 2025-07-17

Islamabad Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) emerged as a prominent accredited organization with the observer status at the Commonwealth Secretariat that hosted a landmark strategic dialogue to discuss pressing global issues and foster collaboration. The event brought together leaders, policy makers, and representatives from newly accredited bodies across the world and featured re..... [more >>](#)

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ایس ڈی پی آئی کو دولت مشترکہ میں مبصر ادارے کا درجہ حاصل

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2025-07-16

اسلام آباد(صبح نیوز)پاکستان کے معروف تھنک ٹینک پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی (ایس ڈی پی آئی) نے بین الاقوامی سطح پر ایک اور سنگ میل عبور کر لیا ہے، جب اسے باضابطہ طور پر دولت مشترکہ سیکرٹریٹ میں بطور مبصر ادارہ تسلیم ک..... [more >>](#)

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JICA sending team for economic assessment

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder](#), [Islamabad](#), 2025-07-16

ISLAMABAD: The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) is reportedly dispatching its Mission to prepare an assessment report on Pakistan's economic situation, which the government claims has improved significantly. JICA's local office has intimated to Pakistani authorities, representatives of International Financial Institutions (IFIs) and Federation of Pakistan Chamber of Comme..... [more >>](#)

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Over \$4bn annual capacity payments a drag on Pakistan's energy shift

Source: [Amir Saeed](#), [Independent News Pakistan](#), 2025-07-28

Annual capacity payments to coal-fire power plants (CFPPs) exceeding \$4 billion are tightening Pakistan's fiscal space and slowing down its transition to its clean energy, reports WealthPK [more >>](#)

Seminar News

SDPI To Host Seminar To Tackle Pakistan's Recurring Sugar Crisis

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-07-20

ISLAMABAD, (APP - UrduPoint / Pakistan Point News - 20th Jul, 2025) The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) is set to host a crucial seminar titled "Sugar Crisis in Pakistan: Causes, Consequences and Cure" to recurring the sugar woes here on Monday, tomorrow. As sugar prices surge and market instability deepens, this hybrid seminar will bring together government officials, in..... [more >>](#)

What's On: SDPI Monday seminar to tackle Pakistan's recurring sugar crisis

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2025-07-20

ISLAMABAD, July 20 (SABAH): The Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) is set to host a crucial Monday Seminar titled "Sugar Crisis in Pakistan: Causes, Consequences and Cure" on Monday, July 21, 2025, from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM at the SDPI Conference Hall and via Zoom. As sugar prices surge and market instability deepens, this hybrid seminar will bring together government offic..... [more >>](#)

SDPI to host seminar to tackle Pakistan's recurring sugar crisis

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SDPI Monday Seminar to Tackle Pakistan's Recurring Sugar Crisis

Source: [WNAM](#), [The World News AM](#), 2025-07-20

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SDPI to host seminar on deepening sugar crisis

Source: [Web Desk](#), [Pakistan Revenue](#), 2025-07-20

Islamabad, July 20, 2025 – As Pakistan continues to grapple with escalating sugar prices and market instability, the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) is stepping forward to spark a crucial national conversation. On Monday, July 21, 2025, SDPI will host a high-level seminar titled "Sugar Crisis in Pakistan: Causes, Consequences and Cure" from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM at [more >>](#)

Political influence, cartelisation mainly responsible for sugar crisis: experts

Source: [Bakhtawar Mian](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-23

ISLAMABAD: Experts at a seminar termed political influence, cartelisation, elite culture, outdated farming practices, and the absence of a proper policy framework as the main causes behind the ongoing sugar crisis in the country. The seminar, titled: "Sugar Crisis in Pakistan: Causes, Consequences and Cure", was organised by Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) to deliber..... [more >>](#)

Experts identify main causes of ongoing sugar crisis

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Cartelization, outdated practices reasons behind sugar crisis: experts

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ISLAMABAD, (APP - UrduPoint / Pakistan Point News - 22nd Jul, 2025) Experts at a seminar termed cartelization, elite capture, outdated farming practices and the absence of a proper policy framework as the main causes behind the ongoing sugar crisis in the country. The seminar, titled: "Sugar Crisis in Pakistan: Causes, Consequences and Cure", was organized by Sustainable Development Pol..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [Bakhtawar Mian](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-07-23

سلام آباد میں منعقدہ ایک سیمینار میں ماہرین نے کہا ہے کہ ملک میں بار بار پیدا ہونے والے چینی بحران کی بنیادی وجہ سیاسی اثر و رسوخ، شوگر مافیا کا گتھ جوڑ اور ناقص پالیسی سازی ہے۔ ڈان اخبار میں شائع رپورٹ کے مطابق ایک سیمینار..... [more >>](#)

شوگر بحران گورننس، سیاسی اجارہ داری کا عکاس: ماہرین

Source: [Nama Nigar](#), [Dunya News](#), 2025-07-23

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فہمیدہ ریاض مزاحمت کی توانا آواز اور ترقی پسند فکر کی علمبردار تھیں، مقررین

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2025-07-28

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) فہمیدہ ریاض مزاحمتی ادب کی ایک ایسی علامت تھیں جنہوں نے مذہبی آمریت کے خلاف بلند آواز میں احتجاج کیا۔ وہ نہ صرف پدرشاپی اصولوں کے خلاف کھڑی ہوئیں بلکہ ایک باغی شاعرہ سے لے کر ایک پختہ معاشرتی نقاد تک..... [more >>](#)

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