



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
- Transport
- Industry
- CEPC Energy projects
- Energy finance and economics
- SDPIs Events, visits, publications

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Energy Governance

Gas issues

Source: [Editorial](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-10

The extension of captive levy — already imposed on the industrial customers of the two public sector utilities under the IMF funding programme — to third-party suppliers must end policy distortion and migration of captive power producers away from the Sui companies. But this will not resolve the gas sector's bigger issue of mounting circular debt amid a glut caused by long-term L..... [more >>](#)

Nepa imposes Rs248m penalty on two Discos

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-13

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepa) on Friday imposed a fine of Rs248 million on Gujranwala Electric Power Company (Gepco) and Sukkur Electric Power Company (Sepco) for overbilling based on faulty meters and loadshedding on commercial grounds, in violation of laws and regulations. In two separate orders issued after proceedings spanning over three years, the regu..... [more >>](#)

Petrol price kept unchanged, diesel slashed by Rs3 per litre

Source: [News Desk](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-01

ISLAMABAD: The federal government has decided to keep the petrol price unchanged, while slashing high-speed diesel by Rs3 per litre for the next fortnight. The new fuel prices will be effective from September 1, according to an official notification issued by the Ministry of Finance. It stated that the price of Superior Kerosene Oil (SKO) was reduced by Rs1.46 per litre, and that of Light Diesel..... [more >>](#)

Iesco CEO conducts surprise visits to facilitation centers

Source: [APP](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-01

Islamabad: Chief Executive Officer of Islamabad Electric Supply Company (Iesco), Engineer Ch. Khalid Mahmood, accompanied by senior management, conducted surprise visits to various Customer Facilitation Centers and Complaint Offices across the IESCO region. During these visits, he met directly with consumers, reviewed their concerns, and monitored the quality of services being delivered by IESCO [more >>](#)

Petrol price remains unchanged while high-speed diesel slashed by Rs3 per litre

Source: [Tahir Sherani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-01

The Finance Division announced on Sunday night that petrol price will remain unchanged, while the price of high-speed diesel (HSD) will be reduced by Rs3 per litre for the next fortnight. Petrol, used mainly in private cars, small vehicles, rickshaws and motorcycles, directly impacts the budgets of middle- and lower-middle-income groups. Most of the transport sector runs on HSD and its price..... [more >>](#)

Ogra notifies 0.54pc decrease in LPG price

Source: [Tahir Sherani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-01

The Oil and Gas Regulatory (Ogra) on Sunday notified the new price of liquified petroleum gas (LPG) at Rs214.19 per kilogramme for the month of September, according to a notification available with Dawn.com. Last month, the price of LPG was set at Rs215.37 per kg for August, down from Rs233.10 in July — a decrease of Rs17.73 per kg. Consequently, the price of an 11.8kg domestic cylinder w..... [more >>](#)

Petroleum group imports up by 6.42pc to \$1.34b in July

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-01

ISLAMABAD - The imports of the overall petroleum group increased by 6.42 percent during the first month of the current fiscal year, the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS) reported. The total imports of the petroleum group during July 2025 were recorded at \$1,345.797 million against the imports of \$1,264.574 million during the same month of last year. Among petroleum commodities, the import [more >>](#)

Sahiwal power plant faces shutdown prospect

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-01

ISLAMABAD: The country's 1,320 MW Sahiwal imported coal-fired power plant is reportedly facing a potential shutdown like situation due to coal inventory falling far below actual requirements, mainly because of the unavailability of sufficient railway wagons. In a letter to addressed Power Minister Sardar Awais Khan Leghari—written before the recent floods in Punjab—Chief Exe..... [more >>](#)

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Business community; Sindh committed to meeting energy needs: Nasir Shah

Source: [APP](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-01

LAHORE: Sindh Energy Minister Syed Nasir Hussain Shah has said that addressing the energy requirements of the business community remains a top priority of the Sindh government. Talking to a delegation led by Chaudhary Zahid Iqbal Arain, Chairman Local Councils Association Punjab, here on Sunday, the minister said Sindh, being rich in natural resources and renewable energy potential, is commit..... [more >>](#)

Gas reserves rise 4.6pc to 18,981bcf

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-02

KARACHI: Pakistan's total gas production reached 621 billion cubic feet (bcf) over the past six months, as balance recoverable gas reserves rose by 4.6 per cent to 18,981bcf, compared with 18,142bcf in December 2024. According to a research report by Topline Securities, the increase in gas reserves was largely driven by fields operated by Mari Energies (MARI), which contributed an additiona..... [more >>](#)

Lesco integrates over 80m solar units into billing

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-02

LAHORE: Lahore Electric Supply Company (Lesco) has integrated 80,728,456 units generated by solar energy consumers into its system and issued bills for August 2025. A company spokesperson said billing for batch numbers 44, 45, 46, and 24 is still pending. Once completed, the respective units will be added to consumer accounts. Lesco management reaffirmed its commitment to transparency and accurat..... [more >>](#)

Balochistan govt plans to make solar panels in Hub

Source: [Saleem Shahid](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-02

QUETTA: A meeting of Balochistan Investment Board and Trade on Monday discussed setting up of solar panel plants in Lasbela Industrial Estate at Hub to start manufacturing of solar panel sheets in the province. The meeting, presided over by the chairman of the board, Mr Bilal Khan Kakar, discussed in detail the proposed plan of local manufacturing of solar panel sheets by establishing solar plants..... [more >>](#)

KP asks Centre to release over Rs71 billion net hydel profit

Source: [Manzoor Ali](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-02

PESHAWAR: The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government has asked Water and Power Development Authority (Wapda) to make arrangements for release of Rs71.1 billion net hydel profit (NHP) to the province. In a letter, dated September 1 and addressed to chairman of Wapda, KP finance department noted that the province received Rs3 billion on account of arrears of NHP for the last fiscal on August 18. The [more >>](#)

E&P firms delay gas allocation

Source: [Zafar Bhutta](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-02

ISLAMABAD: Hydrocarbon exploration and production (E&P) companies are reportedly delaying the allocation of newly discovered gas to third parties, approved by the Council of Common Interests (CCI), in a bid to help their favourite parties, which do not have licences, to enter the arena. The CCI had approved in January 2025 the criteria for gas allocation to third parties, which should have a..... [more >>](#)

RLNG allocation for domestic sector; Ogra advocates careful evaluation

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-02

ISLAMABAD: The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) has emphasised that the allocation of Re-gasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) for the domestic sector must be carefully evaluated in light of the Net Proceeds for Development (NPD), price disclosures, ongoing and future contract negotiations, and the expiry of the current LNG supply contract in 2031. The OGRA conveyed these concerns in a..... [more >>](#)

Oil's soft landing

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-02

Oil markets entered September 2025 on softer footing, with Brent trading around \$67–68 per barrel and WTI near \$64, after slipping in August as supply expanded and demand expectations cooled. The decline in prices reflect a combination of deliberate supply increases and signs of slower consumption. Reuters data shows Brent at \$67.79 and WTI at \$64.33 in early September. The softness is [more >>](#)

Report reveals significant expansion in country's hydrocarbon reserves

Source: [Muhammad Saqib](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-03

KARACHI: A new report reveals a significant expansion in Pakistan's hydrocarbon reserves, driven primarily by successful exploration and upward revisions in existing fields. The research report by Topline Securities, covering the six-month period ending in June 2025, highlights a robust reserve replacement ratio of 235 percent for gas and an increase in both gas and oil reserves across [more >>](#)

Oil sales rise 5pc in first two months of FY26

Source: [Tanveer Malik](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-03

KARACHI: Oil sales rose 5.0 per cent YoY to 2.5 million tonnes in the first two months of the current fiscal year, compared with 2.4 million tonnes in the same period last year. In August alone, oil sales increased 7.0 per cent year-on-year (YoY) to 1.3 million tonnes, while posting a 6.0 per cent month-on-month (MoM) gain. Analysts attributed the annual growth to gradual economic recovery and re..... [more >>](#)

Neelum-Jhelum project 'a failure of planning, execution'

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-03

ISLAMABAD: The Auditor General of Pakistan (AGP) has declared the Rs507 billion Neelum-Jhelum Hydropower Project a failure in terms of objectives, planning and execution, saying it neither secured Pakistan's water rights nor delivered the designed energy output, as its multiple tunnel faults and collapses have raised serious questions about the quality of work on a project of national import..... [more >>](#)

Electricity cost has become unaffordable for most people, admits Punjab governor

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-03

LAHORE - Governor of Punjab Sardar Saleem Haider Khan has said that the renewable energy is the answer to environmental degradation causing climate disasters in the country. "The solar is the best energy source to preserve the environment in view of the current climatic conditions and prevent natural disasters like floods in Pakistan," he said while addressing a seminar at 2nd Interna..... [more >>](#)

LPG remains costlier than electricity

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-03

OGRA's latest announcement has brought the price of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) down to Rs214 per kg, the lowest level in almost two years. For households relying on LPG cylinders, the relief may feel tangible, but the broader energy pricing picture tells a different story. For years, electricity tariffs have remained higher than LPG in kilowatt-hour terms, even when grid tariffs touc..... [more >>](#)

Tariff 'anomalies'; FPCCI approaches power minister

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-03

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industries (FPCCI) has approached Power Minister, Sardar Awais Khan Leghari for resolution of tariff anomalies through inclusive consultation with industry. In a letter to Power Minister, FPCCI has sought two out many pressing anomalies in the industrial tariff framework which are not only discouraging industrial growth but also resul..... [more >>](#)

Tariff plea for FY25-26 filed; Wapda seeks 90pc hike in revenue requirement

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-04

ISLAMABAD: The Water and Power Development Authority (Wapda) has filed a tariff petition for the financial year 2025-26, seeking over 90 percent increase in its total revenue requirement, including hydel levies, to Rs 364.872 billion from Rs 190.909 billion determined by Nepra for 2022-23. According to the tariff petition, which will be taken up for public hearing by the National Electric Pow..... [more >>](#)

Wapda seeks Rs364.8bn hydropower tariff for FY26

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-04

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's Water and Power Development Authority (Wapda) has petitioned the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) to nearly double its hydropower tariff. It is seeking approval for a substantial Rs364.8 billion revenue requirement for the fiscal year 2025-26. This compares with Rs190.9 billion determined for FY2022-23. Wapda currently operates 21 hydel power statio..... [more >>](#)

Wapda seeks to double revenue requirement

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-04

ISLAMABAD: The Water and Power Development Authority (Wapda) has sought about a 91 per cent increase in its revenue requirement to Rs365 billion for the current fiscal year (FY26), up from Rs191bn in FY23. This would translate into an estimated 90pc increase in the bulk hydropower rate to about Rs11.55 per unit (kilowatt hour) from Rs6.10 per unit, an official toldDawn. The additional revenue of..... [more >>](#)

Govt to seek IMF nod for CPP levy

Source: [Zafar Bhutta](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-04

ISLAMABAD: The government has decided to seek the consent of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for diverting the collection of a levy from captive power plants (CPPs) to electricity consumers. Already, a proposal has been approved that the CPP levy will be utilised to provide relief to consumers. The issue was taken up in a recent meeting of the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC). During..... [more >>](#)

Fixing grid woes

Source: Afia Malik And Furqan Ali, [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2025-09-05

Pakistan's power sector is facing a paradox: it has an installed capacity of over 46,605MW as of March 2025, yet it continues to experience frequent blackouts and load management issues. Despite attempts to renegotiate contracts with Independent Power Producers (IPPs) from past policies, projected capacity payments for FY2026 remain at Rs1.9 trillion. These high payments, along with sector [more >>](#)

PPL announces major oil, gas discovery in Punjab

Source: Our Correspondent, [The News, International](#) , 2025-09-05

KARACHI: Pakistan Petroleum Limited (PPL), one of the country's leading exploration and production companies, on Thursday announced a significant oil and gas discovery at its Dhok Sultan-03 well in District Attock, Punjab. The find, the second in the Dhok Sultan Block, is also the second-deepest oil discovery in naturally fractured carbonate in the Potwar region. PPL said the discovery hi..... [more >>](#)

Wapda's demand

Source: Editorial, [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-09-05

NEPRA must rigorously scrutinise Wapda's petition for a staggering 91pc revenue hike to Rs365bn in FY26 from Rs191bn in FY23 to determine whether it will truly enhance the water and power authority's performance or merely pass on the burden of its inefficiencies to the public exchequer and consumers. If the new tariff is approved, it would nearly double the bulk hydropower tariff to ab..... [more >>](#)

PPL strikes major oil, gas discovery

Source: Staff Reporter, [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-09-05

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Petroleum Ltd (PPL) on Thursday announced a significant oil and gas discovery in District Attock, Punjab — its second successful find in the Dhok Sultan Block, and the second deepest oil discovery in naturally fractured carbonate formations within the Potwar region. The Karachi-based exploration and production company termed the discovery a major milestone for [more >>](#)

Energy sector; Leghari, ADB team discuss reforms

Source: Recorder Report, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2025-09-05

ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister for Energy, Sardar Awaiz Ahmad Khan Leghari, met with a delegation from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) led by Director of Energy, Joonho Hwang. During the meeting, there was a detailed discussion on reforms in Pakistan's energy sector, the privatization of Distribution Companies (DISCOs), the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model, and future cooperation. [more >>](#)

Bids exceed Rs2bn target;KE wraps up short-term Sukuk IPO

Source: Recorder Report, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2025-09-05

KARACHI: K-Electric has concluded the Initial Public Offering (IPO) of Pakistan's first retail listed short-term Sukuk, attracting 2.2x times more bids than its target of PKR 2 billion. The funds have been raised to meet KE's operational and working capital requirements. The process concluded on September 3, 2025, with participation from over 600 retail applicants and institutiona..... [more >>](#)

White oil pipeline project;Govt won't extend USD-based RoR

Source: Mushtaq Ghumman, [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2025-09-05

ISLAMABAD: The government has decided not to extend a dollar-based rate of return to the Machike–Thallian–Tarrujabba White Oil Pipeline (MTT-WOP) project in the absence of foreign investment, sources close to the petroleum minister told Business Recorder. According to sources, the Petroleum Division recently briefed the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet, that du..... [more >>](#)

Expensive hydel power coming up

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-05

Wapda's FY 2026 tariff petition before NEPRA is unfolding not as a routine cost recovery exercise, but as a vivid chronicle of hydropower's unravelling promise. In seeking to raise its total revenue requirement to nearly Rs 365 billion, WAPDA isn't merely banking on expanded capital expenditure and operational costs—it is also placing its bets on a slight uptick in power ou..... [more >>](#)

Weak reforms fuel Pakistan's energy black hole

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-06

ISLAMABAD: With limited progress on reforms and over Rs4.6 trillion in accumulated liabilities, Pakistan's energy sector continues to strain the economy, weighed down by weak collections, theft, poor infrastructure, governance failures and market inefficiencies. According to a detailed report by the Washington-based Institute of International Finance (IIF), "taken together, the..... [more >>](#)

PL treatment; Govt to seek IMF clarity in Budget amid PD-FD dispute

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-06

ISLAMABAD: The government will seek clarification from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on whether the Petroleum Levy (PL) on Captive Power Plants (CPPs) should be treated as part of the regular budget or considered over and above the annual budget, as the Power Division and Finance Division hold divergent views on the matter, sources close to the Secretary Finance told Business Recorder. [more >>](#)

Attabad Lake, Harpo and Hanzel hydropower projects; PM forms SC to monitor progress, ensure timely execution

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-06

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has constituted a high-level Steering Committee (SC) under the chairmanship of Minister for Power, Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari, to monitor the progress and ensure timely execution of the Attabad Lake, Harpo, and Hanzel hydropower projects, sources in the Ministry of Water Resources told Business Recorder. The Steering Committee has been constituted..... [more >>](#)

KE urges citizens to prioritise safety during rain

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-08

In view of the forecast of showers in Karachi in the coming days, the K-Electric (KE) has urged the citizens to prioritise safety and remain vigilant, particularly in areas where waterlogging becomes a problem after rains. In a statement, the power utility said the monsoon season had firmly set in across the country, and with another rain spell now entering Karachi, several parts of the city are..... [more >>](#)

Levelised tariff of Dasu Hydropower Project Stage-I projected to jump to Rs22 per unit

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-08

ISLAMABAD - The levelised tariff of Dasu Hydropower Project Stage-I (2160 megawatts) is projected to jump to Rs22 per unit, however for initial period, especially till the debt retirement of the project, the tariff would substantially be higher than the levelised rate. The levelised tariff for the Dasu HPP during the life time of the project is expected to be around \$0.08 per unit which roughly..... [more >>](#)

Bearish clouds gather over crude oil

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-08

Brent crude has slid to \$66 a barrel — the weakest since May — and the mood in oil markets has turned distinctly bearish. Weak US job data, a surprise build-up in American crude inventories, and growing chatter of an Opec+ output hike have combined to knock prices lower. The floor that producers had carefully defended earlier in the year suddenly looks vulnerable. The soft US labo..... [more >>](#)

Govt eyes new gas levy amid paradox of glut and rationing

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-10

ISLAMABAD: As the Lahore-based Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) continues, even in summers, with unannounced rationing of natural gas amid ongoing infighting over pipeline capacity allocation to a third party, the government is expected to impose a captive gas levy on gas distribution by the power sector to ensure a level playing field for public and private sector gas suppliers. This..... [more >>](#)

Diamer Bhasha Dam project; Wapda set to achieve yet another milestone

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-09

LAHORE: The under-construction Diamer Bhasha Dam Project is all set to achieve yet another milestone, as roller-compact-concrete (RCC) works of the main dam will commence in early 2026, after completion of the RCC trials and excavation works on the dam's abutment and the pit (foundation) by end of this year. In this backdrop, Chairman Wapda Lt-Gen Muhammad Saeed, visited Diamer Bhasha D..... [more >>](#)

July FCA; Nepra approves Rs24.5bn refund for consumers

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-10

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has approved a refund of Rs 24.5 billion — at the rate of Rs 1.7856 per unit — for power consumers across the country, including K-Electric, except lifeline consumers, under the monthly Fuel Charges Adjustment (FCA) for July 2025. Nepra conducted a public hearing on August 28, 2025, to review the generation data s..... [more >>](#)

Refineries turn to furnace oil exports as demand fades at home

Source: [Tanveer Malik](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-10

The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) authorised Cnergyico refinery to export 45,000 tonnes this month, according to an official notification. Pakistan Refinery Limited (PRL) has already exported 50,000 tonnes of furnace oil. Officials confirmed that nearly 95 per cent of furnace oil produced in the country is now being exported, as the petroleum levy has made domestic consumption commercia..... [more >>](#)

Govt to end cross-subsidy, peak rates in industrial power tariff

Source: [Mateen Haider](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-10

ISLAMABAD: The government has envisaged the removal of cross-subsidy from industrial power tariff, and the abolition of peak rates under the upcoming industrial policy to boost exports. The government has also decided to bring changes in laws, including introducing a unified insolvency law. At the prime minister level, it has been agreed that industrialists would be protected from direct interfer..... [more >>](#)

Nepra orders Discos, KE to refund Rs1.78 per unit in Sept bills

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-10

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has ordered state-run power distribution companies and K-Electric to refund consumers Rs1.7856 per unit in September electricity bills, citing overcharging in July. The regulator paired the decision with a warning from its technical member, who blamed chronic governance failures for mounting power costs and reliability issues. T..... [more >>](#)

Iesco linemen asked to follow SOPs to save lives

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-10

Islamabad: Islamabad Electric Supply Company (IESCO) Chief Executive Officer Engr. Chaudhry Khalid Mahmood has directed line staff to refuse work if safety equipment is missing, stressing that “overconfidence leads to accidents”

and that protecting lives is the company's top priority. According to an IESCO spokesperson, Mahmood said, line staff are valuable assets of IESCO and p..... [more >>](#)

Diamer Basha Dam project: Wapda set to achieve yet another milestone

Source: [APP](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-10

CHITRAL: The under-construction Diamer Basha Dam project is all set to achieve yet another milestone, as roller-compact-concrete (RCC) works of the main dam will commence in early 2026, after completion of the RCC trials and excavation works on the dam's abutment and the pit (foundation) by end of this year, says a press release. In this backdrop, Chairman Wapda, Lt-Gen Muhammad Saeed (R), [more >>](#)

Power outages hit most parts of Karachi

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-10

KARACHI: People woke to pleasant weather on Tuesday morning due to moderate showers, but their day took an inconvenient turn as the rain triggered widespread power outages in the city, particularly affecting low-lying neighbourhoods. Even upmarket areas like Defence Housing Authority and Clifton weren't spared, with residents experiencing prolonged power outages lasting several hours. [more >>](#)

Govt lifts ban on domestic gas connections, declares climate and agriculture emergencies

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-10

The federal government has lifted the years-long ban on new domestic gas connections, offering long-awaited relief to households across the country. At a joint press conference, Federal Ministers Ali Pervaiz Malik and Dr Tariq Fazal Chaudhry announced that the cabinet, in its latest meeting, approved several key decisions. The session opened with prayers for Major Adnan Aslam, who was martyred [more >>](#)

Electricity consumers all set to get refund of Rs24.41 billion in Sept bills

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-10

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan's electricity consumers are all set to get a refund of Rs24.41 billion as National Electric Power Regulatory Authority has allowed Ex-Wapda Discos (Discos) and K-Electric to reimburse Rs1.79 per unit on account of fuel charges adjustments for the month of July. Separately, the authority has decided to also pass on the benefit of FCA of June 2025 of Re0.7772 per unit d..... [more >>](#)

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Supply network remained stable despite urban flooding, waterlogging: KE

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-11

Karachi witnessed consistent heavy monsoon showers on Wednesday with several areas of the city experiencing significant waterlogging and urban flooding. Despite these challenges, K-Electric's (KE) power distribution network continued to demonstrate resilience, with the vast majority of its 2,100 feeders supplying electricity throughout the spell. At the peak of the downpour, only about 200 [more >>](#)

Private sector seeks gas allocation Says instead of curtailing supplies, surplus energy be provided to them

Source: [Zafar Bhutta](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-11

ISLAMABAD: The private sector has urged the government to allocate surplus indigenous gas to private shippers as supplies are being curtailed due to liquefied natural gas (LNG) imports. The private sector is reluctant to take LNG deliveries, which has created a glut in the market. Several LNG cargoes have been diverted so far due to low demand. Owing to LNG imports, the oil and gas exploration [more >>](#)

Traders threaten power bills boycott

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-11

KARACHI: Small traders have condemned the sudden doubling of KMC utility charges in commercial electricity bills and threatened to stop paying their bills if the increase is not withdrawn. Chairman of the All Karachi Tajir Ittehad Atiq Mir said the fee was raised overnight from Rs400 per month to Rs750 without consultation, calling it "open deception." He questioned the mayor of Karach..... [more >>](#)

K-Electric Limbo

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-11

The decision by Shanghai Electric Power Company to withdraw its offer to acquire a 66 percent stake in K-Electric Ltd, reportedly citing changes in Pakistan's business environment, should serve as a stark reminder. Even when relations are strong and the economics appear viable, it is often Pakistan's own systemic flaws—bureaucratic inefficiencies, regulatory hurdles and chronic d..... [more >>](#)

Consumers to get RLNG connections as ban lifted

Source: [Nuzhat Nazar](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-11

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif has approved the provision of Regasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) connections to consumers awaiting new gas connections, lifting the ban that had been put in place since 2021. RLNG will be supplied at 30 to 35 percent lower cost compared to imported Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG), providing significant relief to households and businesses gr..... [more >>](#)

Flood-hit areas; No decision yet on power bill relief

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-11

ISLAMABAD: The government has not yet taken any decision to extend relief to electricity consumers in flood-affected areas, sources in Power Division told Business Recorder. On September 9, 2025, Minister for National Food Security and Research, Rana Tanveer Hussain had stated that the government will extend relief to those consumers in electricity bills who hail from devastating flood areas..... [more >>](#)

Of negative FCA and solar surge

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-11

A sizeable relief has been approved in lieu of the July 2025 Fuel Charges Adjustment (FCA), at negative Rs1.79/unit. This marks the steepest negative adjustment since January 2025, and the largest for July in a decade. The savings stem largely from a better-than-referenced generation mix, even though actual generation fell 10 percent short of projections. Hydel generation exceeded the reference by..... [more >>](#)

The natural gas paradox

Source: [Bilal Aftab](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-11

For decades, the cornerstone of Pakistan's natural gas policy has been an unchallenged notion – the demand for natural gas is a one-way street. The price inelasticity of natural gas substantiates a system of heavy subsidies, resulting in an artificial economy around gas that is bound to collapse under its own weight. The symptoms are all too familiar: depleting natural gas reserves, cr..... [more >>](#)

Ogra hikes RLNG prices by up to 2.63pc for September

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-12

ISLAMABAD: The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) has increased re-gasified liquefied natural gas (RLNG) prices by up to 2.63 per cent for September 2025, citing higher terminal charges as the main reason for the hike. The revised rates, notified on Thursday, apply to both Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Ltd (SNGPL) and Sui Southern Gas Company Ltd (SSGCL), impacting industrial, commercial and [more >>](#)

Iesco launches campaign 'know your consumer'

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-12

Islamabad: Islamabad Electric Supply Company Iesco management is well awarded with importance of digitalisation in power sector towards better speedy and quality services to valuable customers in form of prior intimation regarding billing, approved and emergent shutdown etc. In light of the Ministry of Energy (Power Division) directives Iesco has started a comprehensive 'Know Your Consumer&..... [more >>](#)

Nepa scrutinises Wapda's plea for 80pc revenue rise

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-12

ISLAMABAD: A petition seeking more than 80 per cent increase in the bulk generation tariff of the Water and Power Development Authority (Wapda) came under scrutiny at a public hearing held by the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepa) on Thursday. The hearing, presided over by Nepa's member for Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Maqsood Anwar Khan, was informed by a Wapda team that its base [more >>](#)

OGRA raises RLNG prices by up to 2.6%

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-12

ISLAMABAD: The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) has notified an increase in prices of Re-gasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) of up to 2.6% for September 2025. According to the notification, the regulator has set the price of RLNG for Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) at \$11.2365 per million British thermal units (MMBtu) for transmission and \$12.0127 for distribution. For Sui [more >>](#)

Hike in expenditures & tariff; Nepa, consumers question Wapda's 'request'

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-12

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepa) and electricity consumers on Thursday sharply questioned Water and Power Development Authority (Wapda) over its request for a substantial increase in expenditures and an over 80 percent hike in the average power tariff — from Rs 3.11/kWh to Rs 5.68/kWh — for the fiscal year 2025–26. The public hearing was of..... [more >>](#)

CTBCM: A carefully designed reform

Source: [Zafar Yab Khan](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-12

In an article published in Business Recorder dated September 3, 2025, the author has rightly appreciated the government's efforts in improving crisis response, strengthening administration, and reducing tariffs; however, on the contrary, it has also raised concerns regarding CTBCM, portraying it as an illusion. While acknowledging progress is important, dismissing CTBCM as an 'illusion..... [more >>](#)

KE proposes amendments to IGCEP 2025-35

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-09

ISLAMABAD: K-Electric has proposed several amendments to the Indicative Generation Capacity Expansion Plan (IGCEP) 2025–35, including the grant of a competitive supplier licence, policy-making rights within its service area, a mechanism for stranded cost recovery, and adjustments to NEPRA-approved performance benchmarks in tariffs. These changes are intended to ensure fair treatment of KE an..... [more >>](#)

Two hydropower projects;WB official, Wapda chief discuss financial aspects

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-09

ISLAMABAD: Chairman Wapda, Lt Gen Muhammad Saeed (retired), and the World Bank's Country Director for Pakistan, Bolormaa Amgaabazar, held a meeting on Monday in Islamabad to discuss the financial aspects of the Dasu and Tarbela 5th Extension hydropower projects. According to Wapda, the World Bank is providing financial support of USD 1,517 million for the under-construction Stage-I of t..... [more >>](#)

FPCCI urges Nepra to reconsider cost escalations by Wapda

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-09

ISLAMABAD: The Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) has urged National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) to reconsider the cost escalations and adjustments proposed by the Water and Power Development Authority (Wapda) in its tariff petition for the fiscal year 2025–26. In a letter addressed to the Nepra Registrar, FPCCI stated that the increases pro..... [more >>](#)

Electricity wheeling;PD readies auction process draft

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-13

ISLAMABAD: The Power Division has prepared draft of electricity wheeling auction process under the Competitive Trading Bilateral Contract Market (CTBCM) to be discussed at a workshop of stakeholders to be held here on September 19, 2025. The auction process is being issued under Clause 3.2 of the Framework Guidelines for Wheeling Auctions, 2025, to outline instructions for conducting auctions..... [more >>](#)

CSM violation; Nepra imposes Rs200m fine on GEPCO

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-13

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has imposed a fine Rs 200 million on Gujranwala Electric Power Company (GEPCO) for violation of provisions of the Consumer Service Manual (CSM). Discos have also been directed to immediately refund/adjust all the bills charged to the affected 1298 consumers over and above two billing cycles on account of slowness of energy me..... [more >>](#)

PM wants IMF nod for power bills relief in flood-hit areas

Source: [Ag Agencies & Asim Yasin & Bureau report & Imtiaz Hussain & Nadeem Mushtaq Ramay & Nadeem Shah & Rana Ghulam Qadir & Sher Ali Khalti & Syed Muhammad Zamir & Tariq Mehmood](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-13

ISLAMABAD/LAHORE/SUKKUR: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has directed the Ministry of Finance to approach the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for relief in electricity bills for flood-affected communities across the country. According to sources, the PM instructed the ministry to initiate talks with the IMF on granting a one-month exemption from electricity bills for residents of areas devastated..... [more >>](#)

Rs105bn off-grid levy falls flat as industrial gas use plunges

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-13

ISLAMABAD: The government has officially notified the off-the-grid levy on captive power plants (CPPs) for April, May and June 2025 -- but the anticipated revenue from the measure is likely to fall well short of projections, as gas consumption by industrial units continues to plunge. For April, the levy has been fixed at Rs570 per MMBTU, followed by Rs550 in May and Rs402 in June. However, senior..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan to auction 800MW power wheeling rights in first-ever bid

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-13

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan will auction 800 megawatts of electric power wheeling rights through competitive bidding for the first time in the country's history, a landmark move to open its transmission network to private buyers and sellers

and reduce market monopolies. The Ministry of Energy (Power Division) issued a draft Framework Guidelines for Wheeling Auctions, 2025 for consultation, outlining..... [more >>](#)

Petrol prices in Pakistan may rise from September 16

Source: [Zaigham Naqvi](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-13

Petrol prices in Pakistan could increase by up to Rs1.54 per litre from September 16, while high-speed diesel may rise by Rs4.79, industry sources said on Saturday. Preliminary calculations also indicate kerosene could climb by Rs3.06 and light diesel by Rs3.68 per litre. The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) will send its final working to the Petroleum Division on 15 September. The Petro..... [more >>](#)

Jamshoro power plant's Thar coal shift hits hurdles: study

Source: [Tanveer Malik](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-14

KARACHI: A feasibility study on converting the Jamshoro coal-fired power plant from imported to Thar coal is under way, but prospects for the transition appear dim due to several obstacles, chiefly objections from international lenders. Government officials and private sector experts told The News that the plan has yet to be implemented, even though the plant continues to operate on imported coal..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan to respond to Qatar on LNG cargo deferment beyond 2030

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-15

ISLAMABAD: Qatar has asked Pakistan to submit a firm proposal either to defer LNG cargoes beyond 2030 or to allow Doha to sell some of its term cargoes on the international market under the Net Proceeds Differential (NPD) clause. The request comes as Pakistan faces a worsening gas crisis caused by a sharp decline in domestic consumption. Pakistan LNG Limited (PLL) is already diverting one term [more >>](#)

'Conflict of interest' flagged in Ogra appointment process

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-15

ISLAMABAD: The federal government's process of appointing a new Member (Gas) to the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) has come under scrutiny amid concerns of a potential conflict of interest, senior officials at Petroleum Division told the scribe. Authorities have shortlisted three candidates for the position. One of the nominees currently serves as Senior General Manager at Sui No..... [more >>](#)

Resources & Energy Summit 2025 to showcase Pakistan's potential

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-15

KARACHI - The FIB/Lockton Natural Resources & Energy Summit 2025 will be held on September 17 at Pearl Continental Hotel, Karachi, gathering over 500 delegates from Pakistan and abroad. Now in its third edition, the annual summit is a leading platform for dialogue on energy, mining, and resource development. This year's theme — "Powering Progress: Risk, Resilience & Innov..... [more >>](#)

Power cross-subsidies: between reform and reality

Source: [Editorial](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-15

The government is considering abolishing cross-subsidies and peak rates for industrial users under the new industrial policy currently in the works. This is the right approach and should be implemented, but it is easier said than done as there is many a slip between the cup and the lip. This proposal originates from industrial policymakers, while the power ministry is not on board, and those at th..... [more >>](#)

Renewable Energy

Karachi-Rohri rail track upgrade, solarisation of stations announced

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-06

KARACHI: Pakistan Railways is moving ahead with infrastructure and modernization initiatives, including the upgradation of the 480 km Karachi–Rohri track, which will reduce travel time by four hours, and the full solarization of 27 stations in the Karachi Division by December 31, Federal Minister for Railways Muhammad Hanif Abbasi announced. Minister Abbasi also revealed that two additi..... [more >>](#)

Solar for Gwadar

Source: [Editorial](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-01

THE maritime affairs minister last week announced plans to utilise solar energy to power the Gwadar port. It is hoped that he was not merely adding to the long list of initiatives promised over the years to turn the city into a global logistics hub. Most such initiatives have been abandoned ever since the hype surrounding them died down, and the city has, over time, become the poster child for Pak..... [more >>](#)

Biofuels: black gold from golden straw

Source: [Dr Adeel Ghayur](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-01

MELBOURNE: Pakistan's economy is strongly anchored in agriculture, which accounts for nearly a quarter of its gross domestic product (GDP) and employs almost half of the country's workforce. However, the sector also generates significant waste, raising environmental and sustainability concerns. The innovative strategy of harnessing this agricultural waste for biofuel production not only [more >>](#)

Saudi Arabia ramps up solar power to cut oil use

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-12

ISLAMABAD: In a remarkable pivot from its deep-rooted oil legacy, Saudi Arabia is positioning itself as a rising force in the global solar energy landscape. Once synonymous with fossil fuels, the Kingdom is now carpeting its vast deserts with solar panels, signalling a bold and strategic shift towards renewable energy. According to The Wall Street Journal, this transformation is being driven not j..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Engagement

A Lecture by Dr. Tariq Banuri

Dr Banuri calls for shifting policy formulation from clientelism to national needs

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2025-09-08

ISLAMABAD, Sep 08 (APP): Renowned global scholar on sustainable development, former Chairman HEC and former founding Executive Director of the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), Dr. Tariq Banuri, on Monday called for shifting policy formulation from clientelism to national needs. In his distinguished lecture on Natural Disasters, Climate Change and Policy Response organized by the [more >>](#)

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ماحولیاتى بحران کا حل وقت کی ضرورت ، ڈاکٹر طارق بنوری

Source: [Nama Nigar](#), [Dunya News](#), 2025-09-09

اسلام آباد(نامہ نگار)سابق چیئرمین ہائیر ایجوکیشن کمیشن اور پالیسی ادارہ برائے پائیدار ترقی کے بانی ایگزیکٹو ڈائریکٹر ڈاکٹر طارق بنوری نے کہا ہے ماحولیاتى بحران کا حل وقت کی ضرورت ہے ۔ پاکستان ماحولیاتی بحران کے شدید خطرہ..... [more >>](#)

قومی ماحولیاتی پالیسی 2012 سمیت کوئی پالیسی بدف حاصل نہ کرسکی،ڈاکٹر طارق بنوری

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2025-09-08

اسلام آباد(صبح نیوز)پائیدار ترقی کے عالمی شہرت یافتہ ماہر ڈاکٹر طارق بنوری نے خبردار کیا ہے کہ پاکستان کا درجہ حرارت دنیا کے اوسط اضافے سے ایک ڈگری زیادہ بڑھے گا اور اگر پالیسی سازی کا موجودہ رویہ برقرار رہا تو ملک بقاء..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-10

Islamabad: Founding Executive Director of Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) Dr Tariq Banuri has called for shifting policy formulation from clientelism to national needs. In his distinguished lecture on “Natural disasters, climate change and policy response” organised here by SDPI, the scholar identified the erosion of institutional capacity and human resource quality, a..... [more >>](#)

Consultative Discussion

Experts raise alarm over deforestation crisis, particularly in KP

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-03

ISLAMABAD: Leading experts, policymakers and civil society actors on Monday raised the alarm over Pakistan's deepening deforestation crisis, particularly in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) and warned it would directly impact climate insecurity. They demanded that reforms be brought in legal, policy and governance to reverse the ecological loss. A national consultation, "From Challenges to Ac..... [more >>](#)

National dialogue urges legal, policy & governance reforms to protect depleting green cover in KP

Source: [APP](#), [Associated Press of Pakistan](#), 2025-09-02

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Experts warn of ecological collapse amid rampant deforestation

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Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-09-02

اسلام آباد (اُردو پوائنٹ اخبارتازہ ترین - اے پی پی۔ 02 ستمبر 2025ء) ممتاز ماہرین، پالیسی سازوں اور سول سوسائٹی نمائندوں نے خبردار کیا ہے کہ پاکستان بالخصوص خیبر پختونخوا میں جنگلات کی تیز رفتار کٹائی ماحولیاتی نظام کو تباہی کے [more >>](#).....

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Dialogue News

Experts call for power wheeling reforms, green grids for industrial competitiveness

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-05

Islamabad: Experts, industry leaders, and policymakers on Thursday convened at the policy dialogue on power wheeling reforms and smart green grids (SGGs), emphasising that rationalised wheeling frameworks and grid modernisation are critical for industrial competitiveness, renewable integration, and compliance with emerging trade measures such as the EU Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM). Th..... [more >>](#)

Experts at policy dialogue organized by SDPI & OICCI urges power wheeling reforms & Green Grids for Pak's industrial competitiveness

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2025-09-05

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Power Wheeling Reforms and Green Grids for Pakistan's Industry

Source: [News Desk](#), [Peak Point](#), 2025-09-04

Experts at a recent policy dialogue have underscored the urgent need for power wheeling reforms and the adoption of smart green grids in Pakistan as vital steps to boost industrial competitiveness, enable renewable energy integration, and meet international trade requirements such as the EU Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM). The event, organized by the Sustainable Development Policy Instit..... [more >>](#)

Experts stress power wheeling reforms , green grids for Pakistan's industrial competitiveness

Source: [Hasan Rashid](#), [Daily News Man](#), 2025-09-05

KARACHI/ISLAMABAD, September 4, 2025: Experts, industry leaders, and policymakers on Thursday convened at the policy dialogue on power wheeling reforms and smart green grids (SGGs), emphasizing that rationalized wheeling frameworks and grid modernization are critical for industrial competitiveness, renewable integration, and compliance with emerging trade measures such as the EU Carbon Border Adju..... [more >>](#)

E Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri –appointed as chairman of the board of directors (NDRMF)

Govt reconstitutes NDRMF Board

Source: [APP](#), [Daily Times](#), 2025-09-01

The federal government has reconstituted the National Disaster Risk Management Fund (NDRMF) Board that will be effective for a period of three years. The reconstitution of the Board has been announced through an official notification issued by the Ministry of Planning, Development and Special Initiatives here Sunday. According to the notification, Dr. Abid Qaiyum Suleri has been appointed as Chair..... [more >>](#)

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Planning ministry reshuffles NDRMF board

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-02

ISLAMABAD: The federal government has reconstituted the Board of Directors (BoD) of the National Disaster Risk Management Fund (NDRMF) for period of three years. Renowned social policy analyst and development practitioner Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri – currently the head of Sustainable Development Policy Institute – has been appointed as chairman of the board of directors, whereas its member..... [more >>](#)

SDPI Researchers Articles

Climate-smart investment

Source: [Zainab Naeem](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-01

The devastating urban floods that Pakistan has witnessed in recent years are no longer isolated events that can be dismissed as seasonal misfortune. They are symptoms of a deeper malaise in our planning, investment choices, and urban governance Every monsoon, the same cycle repeats itself. The streets turn into rivers in Rawalpindi and Islamabad as the Lai nullah overflows. In Karachi, outdated d..... [more >>](#)

How absence of exposure analysis fuels GLOF risks in G-B

Source: [Nelam Pari](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-04

Glacial Lake Outburst Floods (GLOFs) represent one of the most serious climate-induced hazards in high mountain environments. These sudden and often catastrophic events occur when a moraine- or ice-dammed glacial lake releases vast quantities of water, debris, and sediment downstream, overwhelming communities and infrastructure. In High Mountain Asia (HMA), the risk is particularly pronounced. The..... [more >>](#)

Rethinking flood finance

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-09-14

In the summer of 2022, Pakistan was engulfed by its worst floods in living memory. A third of the country was underwater, affecting 33 million people. The United Nations' post-disaster needs assessment (PDNA) estimated the damage at \$14.9 billion, losses at \$15.2 billion and the cost of resilient recovery at \$16.3 bi..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Related News

Sufficient wheat stocks available, floods damage to rice, sugarcane crops manageable: Govt

Source: [Imran Ali Kundi](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-12

ISLAMABAD - The government has noted that sufficient wheat stocks, excluding strategic reserves, are currently available and the initial assessments suggested that the damage to the rice and sugarcane crops is manageable after the floods. The second meeting of the Steering Committee for Assessment of Inflationary Trends in Pakistan was held on Thursday under the chairmanship of Federal Minister fo..... [more >>](#)

FM Aurangzeb vows to curb artificial inflation

Source: [APP](#), [Daily Times](#), 2025-09-11

Federal Minister for Finance and Revenue, Senator Muhammad Aurangzeb, chaired the second meeting of the Steering Committee on Inflationary Trends to discuss strategies to control rising prices amid recent floods. The

meeting focused on protecting vulnerable and low-income households from inflationary pressures. Addressing the committee, Aurangzeb emphasized that controlling inflation and mainta..... [more >>](#)

Finmin reaffirms govt's resolve to stabilise prices

Source: [APP](#), [Daily Times](#), 2025-09-12

Federal Minister for Finance and Revenue, Senator Muhammad Aurangzeb here on Thursday underscored that controlling inflation and ensuring price stability was among the top priorities of the government, especially to safeguard vulnerable and low-income households, including those affected by recent floods. The minister was chairing the second meeting of the Steering Committee for Assessment of Inf..... [more >>](#)

Govt moves to tackle flood and inflation pressures

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-12

ISLAMABAD/LAHORE: The federal government has stepped up efforts to stabilise prices and address heavy agricultural losses caused by recent floods that have devastated millions of acres of standing crops across the country. Chairing the second meeting of the inflation steering committee in Islamabad on Thursday, Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb said controlling inflation and ensuring price sta..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [Press Release](#), [Press Information Department](#), 2025-09-11

ISLAMABAD: The second meeting of the Steering Committee for Assessment of Inflationary Trends in Pakistan was held today under the chairmanship of the Federal Minister for Finance and Revenue, Senator Muhammad Aurangzeb. The Committee, constituted by the Prime Minister of Pakistan to regularly monitor and address inflationary pressures, continued its detailed review of the key domestic and int..... [more >>](#)

Finance minister reaffirms govt's resolve to stabilize prices; protect vulnerable

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Sufficient wheat stocks available, floods damage to rice, sugarcane crops manageable: Govt

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Battery energy storage can transform Pakistan's power sector, Experts Say

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ISLAMABAD: Energy experts and policy analysts have said that Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) can revolutionize Pakistan's energy sector by stabilizing the national grid, reducing load-shedding and ensuring better integration of renewable energy. They shared these views at a seminar organized by the Pakistan-German Climate and Energy Partnership (PGCEP) in collaboration with the Sustain..... [more >>](#)

بیٹری انرجی سٹوریج سسٹم توانائی شعبے میں انقلاب کی نوید ہے : ماہرین

Source: [SABAH](#), [SABAH News](#), 2025-09-10

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) ماہرین توانائی اور پالیسی تجزیہ کاروں نے کہا ہے کہ بیٹری انرجی سٹوریج سسٹمز (BESS) پاکستان کے توانائی شعبے میں انقلاب لا سکتے ہیں، قومی گرڈ کو مستحکم بنانے، لوڈشیڈنگ کم کرنے اور قابل تجدید توانائی کے..... [more >>](#)

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Workshop News

Experts urge taking climate change fight beyond global summits

Source: [Dawn Report](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-09-04

HYDERABAD: Experts at different climate-related programme emphasised the need for taking climate change fight beyond global summits to everyday decisions in life and issued a stark warning “If we act against nature, nature will react”. At a programme organised under the aegis of UNDP-supported Climate Promise Green Skills Training Programme in collaboration with Dawood Global Foundat..... [more >>](#)

Academic Leaders Unite For Climate Action At Green Skills Workshop

Source: [Muhammad Irfan](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-09-05

SUKKUR, (UrduPoint / Pakistan Point News - 3rd Sep, 2025) A landmark Green Skills Workshop was held at Shah Abdul Latif University (SALU) Khairpur on Wednesday where academic leaders from across Sindh issued a unified call for climate action. The workshop, jointly organized by SALU, Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), and the Embassy of Denmark, brought together faculty and students [more >>](#)

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ISLAMABAD, Sep 15 (APP): The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) under the “Data for Development” (D4D) initiative, launched a five-day intensive training workshop on Data Visualization & Storytelling with Microsoft Power BI, implemented by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), aimed at building the capacity of researchers, policymakers, and government officials to..... [more >>](#)

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ISLAMABAD, (APP - UrduPoint / Pakistan Point News - 15th Sep, 2025) The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) under the “Data for Development” (D4D) initiative, launched a five-day intensive training workshop on Data Visualization & Storytelling with Microsoft Power BI, implemented by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), aimed at building the capacity of researchers,..... [more >>](#)

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