



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
- Energy investment, innovation, automation
- Oil and gas sector
- Transport
- Industry
- CEPC Energy projects
- Energy finance and economics
- SDPIs Events, visits, publications

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Energy Governance

Transforming SSGC's operational and financial landscape

Source: [Syed Imran Ahmed, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-21

Being one of the country's two premier gas utilities, Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) manages gas transmission and distribution in its franchise provinces of Sindh and Balochistan, with a network spanning a massive 55,000 kms. The Company caters to 3.2 million customers, including 4,500 industries. Historically, SSGC suffered from a host of external and internal challenges and the gas u..... [more >>](#)

PPL strikes new gas reserve in Kashmore

Source: [Muhammad Sadiq, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-24

KARACHI: Pakistan Petroleum Limited (PPL) has made a groundbreaking discovery at its LAL X-1 exploratory well in Kashmore, Sindh, marking a significant step into the country's unconventional gas sector. While the well's initial flow rate of 0.138 million standard cubic feet per day (MMscfd) may seem modest, industry analysts say the find is a major technical achievement. For the f..... [more >>](#)

K-Electric condemns violent attack on field staff during Kunda removal drive in North Karachi

Source: [News Wire, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-19

KARACHI - K-Electric (KE) has strongly condemned the violent attack on its field team during an anti-theft operation in Khamiso Goth, North Karachi. The team was working to remove illegal connections that compromise public safety and disrupt power supply to law-abiding customers. During the operation, a mob attacked KE staff, causing serious injury to one employee and damaging equipment. The injur..... [more >>](#)

Sindh Assembly passes Thar Coal Energy Board Amendment Bill

Source: [Anwar Khan, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-23

KARACHI: The Sindh Assembly on Monday passed the Thar Coal Energy Board Amendment Bill and unanimously adopted a congratulatory resolution on the occasion of Christmas, falling on December 25 - Thursday, extending warm greetings to the Christian community. The Christmas resolution was moved by Pakistan Peoples Party's (PPP) lady lawmaker, Rooma Sabhat. Members belonging to both the tre..... [more >>](#)

Climate change, debt and power costs push Pakistan to rethink industrial energy

Source: [M Waqar Bhatti, The News, International](#), 2025-12-26

Islamabad: Pakistan must urgently overhaul its industrial and energy policies if it wants to survive climate pressure, stay competitive in global markets and avoid sinking deeper into debt, experts warned at a seminar in Islamabad, arguing that clean energy transition without structural reforms will only shift the burden rather than solve the crisis. The warning came at a policy dialogue on drivin..... [more >>](#)

Iesco on high alert ahead of snowfall

Source: [APP, The News, International](#), 2025-12-16

Islamabad: Islamabad Electric Supply Company (Iesco) has placed its field formations in Murree and surrounding hilly areas on high alert in view of the expected snowfall and severe weather conditions to ensure uninterrupted electricity supply and prompt redressal of consumer complaints. Chief Executive Officer, Iesco, Engineer Ch Khalid Mahmood said that all officers and staff in Murree, Nathia Ga..... [more >>](#)

Diesel price cut by Rs14 a litre; petrol unchanged

Source: [Israr Khan, The News, International](#), 2025-12-16

ISLAMABAD: The federal government on Monday slashed the price of high-speed diesel by Rs14 per litre for the next fortnight, offering modest relief to transporters and the agriculture sector, while keeping petrol prices unchanged despite volatility in global oil markets. According to a notification issued by the Ministry of Energy (Petroleum Division), the new prices will take effect from Dec. 16..... [more >>](#)

PM Shehbaz directs speedy power reforms

Source: [Staff Reporter, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Monday directed the relevant authorities to expedite the privatisation process of power distribution companies (Discos) and generation companies (Gencos). Presiding over a meeting, the prime minister emphasised that the privatisation of the energy system, leading to the establishment of a competitive electricity market, was the sustainable solution to t..... [more >>](#)

Smart meters become cheaper as bulk procurement reshapes power sector

Source: [Our Correspondent, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

ISLAMABAD: Owing to consistent efforts and timely actions by the Power Division to promote transparency and competition, the prices of smart meters for power distribution companies have been reduced by up to 40%. "This reduction will result in estimated annual savings of Rs150 billion at the national level," said Federal Minister for Power Awaiz Ahmed Leghari. The federal minister made..... [more >>](#)

Govt slashes high speed diesel price by Rs14/litre

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

ISLAMABAD - The federal government has slashed the prices of high-speed diesel by Rs14 per litre and maintained the price of petrol at the existing level for the second fortnight of December 2025 starting today. The government has revised the petroleum products prices for the fortnight commencing from December 16, 2025, in line with the recommendations of OGRA and the concerned ministries, said a..... [more >>](#)

Poor performance of Discos fuels Rs2.87tr surge in circular debt

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

ISLAMABAD - State-owned power distribution companies (DISCOs) have accumulated Rs2.872 trillion in circular debt over a period of 11 years and three months due to losses and recoveries exceeding the benchmarks approved by the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA), according to official data. From fiscal year 2014–15 to September 2025—the first quarter of the ongoing fis..... [more >>](#)

Govt cuts RLNG prices by up to 5.9pc for Sui consumers for Dec

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

ISLAMABAD - The federal government has reduced re-gasified liquefied natural gas (RLNG) prices by up to 5.9 percent for consumers of both Sui companies for the month of December As per the notification issued by the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA), RLNG prices have been reduced by 4.6 percent for consumers of Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) and by 5.9 percent for consumers of S..... [more >>](#)

Energy sector transformation; PM speaks about criticality of privatisation

Source: [Zulfiqar Ahmad, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Monday called for an accelerated privatization of electricity distribution and generation companies to resolve the country's persistent energy crisis. The call came during a review meeting on the power sector reforms, where the prime minister emphasized that privatization is crucial for transforming the energy sector into a competitive market,..... [more >>](#)

Smart meters for Discos; PD's measures helped reduce prices

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

ISLAMABAD: Power Division on Monday said that owing to its sustained efforts and timely measures to enhance transparency and competition, the prices of smart meters for power Distribution Companies have been reduced by up to 40 percent. Presiding over a meeting on smart meters, the Minister for Power, Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari, stated that this reduction is expected to generate estimate..... [more >>](#)

Nepra asks SNPC I & II to resubmit COD adjustment plea

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has directed Sindh Nooriabad Power Company (Pvt) Limited (SNPC-I and II) to resubmit the Commercial Operation Date (COD) adjustment application along with all the relevant record in order to proceed further. According to the decision, SNPC-I and II refer to two gas-based power generation projects of about 50 MW each that sell..... [more >>](#)

NGC commissions ADB-financed 500kV Lahore North Grid Station

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

LAHORE: The National Grid Company of Pakistan (NGC) on Monday commissioned the 500kV Lahore North Grid Station, marking a significant milestone in Pakistan's energy sector development. With an investment of Rs 20.7 billion financed by Asian Development Bank under Multi Tranche Financing Facility, this strategic initiative represents one of the most substantial additions to Punjab'..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan Oilfields Limited

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

Pakistan Oilfields Limited (PSX: POL) is engaged in the exploration, drilling, and production of crude oil and natural gas in Pakistan. The company also produces LPG, sulfur, and solvent oil, and markets gas under the POLGAS brand through its subsidiary CAPGAS (Private) Limited. POL operates an extensive pipeline network supplying crude oil to Attock Refinery Limited (ATRL), part of the Attock Gro..... [more >>](#)

Axe may fall on prosumers to save power utilities

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-17

ISLAMABAD: After repeated botched attempts by the power division, the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra), mandated by the government, has now moved to cut size, life and repayment rates of the net-metered solar power consumers by almost half in an apparent attempt to protect an expensive and inefficient power utility business from irrelevance and complete collapse. The regulat..... [more >>](#)

Power firms seek to refund Rs5.6bn for November usage

Source: [Staff Reporter](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-17

ISLAMABAD: The Central Power Purchasing Agency (CPPA) has sought a nominal 72 paise per unit negative fuel cost adjustment (FCA) to consumers across the country in January bills despite almost 86pc generation from cheaper domestic, predominantly zero-cost fuel sources. Once approved, the power companies, including ex-Wapda distribution companies (Discos) and K-Electric, would refund through billi..... [more >>](#)

Power consumers may get Rs0.71 per unit relief in January bills

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-17

ISLAMABAD: Power consumers may enjoy a relief in their upcoming electricity bills following a reduction of up to Rs0.71 per unit in tariff on account of fuel adjustment charges for November 2025. The expected relief, which will materialise in the bills issued for January 2026, comes after the Central Power Purchasing Agency (CPPA) formally petitioned the National Electric Power Regulatory Authori..... [more >>](#)

CPPA-G seeks Nepra's nod for Re0.71 per unit refund to consumers

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-17

ISLAMABAD - The Central Power Purchasing Agency (CPPA-G) has sought NEPRA's nod for a refund of Re0.7182 per unit to consumers as the average generation cost declined by 14.55 percent in November on year-on-year basis, while the power generation marginally increased by 0.22 percent on YoY basis during the month. The country's electricity consumers are likely to get some relief as the [more >>](#)

CPPA-G seeks negative adjustment in FCA for Nov

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-17

ISLAMABAD: The Central Power Purchasing Agency–Guaranteed (CPPA-G) has sought a negative adjustment of Re 0.72 per unit in Fuel Charges Adjustment (FCA) for November 2025 to refund over Rs 5.6 billion to consumers across the country, including K-Electric. Nepra is scheduled to hold a public hearing on December 31, 2025 to seek further explanation from CPPA-G and give opportunity to cons..... [more >>](#)

Ogra starts inspection of petrol pumps

Source: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-17

ISLAMABAD: The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (Ogra) has mobilised its enforcement teams from the Head Office and Regional Offices to conduct a comprehensive inspection of petrol pumps across their respective jurisdictions. The objective of this exercise is to verify the legality of operations, adherence to codal formalities, and compliance with Ogra's rules and regulations. As part o..... [more >>](#)

A new world order for Asia's energy transition

Source: [Dr Shamshad Akhtar, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-17

In context of our planet's dynamics and its consequences, global, regional and national Asia's energy transition is critical. The evolution and complexity of multilateral cooperation need to be examined from multiple vantage points. Energy transition is imperative given energy dependence on coal, fuel, and other fossil-based sources[mk1] (given over a trillion of subsidies) have phenom..... [more >>](#)

Prompt completion of Iesco system maintenance directed

Source: [Press Release, The News, International](#), 2025-12-18

Islamabad: Chief Executive Officer Islamabad Electric Supply Company (Iesco) Engineer Ch. Khalid Mahmood, while taking notice of the inconvenience faced by valued consumers due to scheduled shutdowns and power outages under the Annual System Maintenance Program on 11kV feeders, 132kV grid stations and transmission lines, has issued directions to the Operations, Construction and GSO formations to c..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's National Integrated Energy Plan set for CCOE approval

Source: [Khalid Mustafa, The News, International](#), 2025-12-18

ISLAMABAD: The Power Division has prepared Pakistan's first National Integrated Energy Plan (IEP), which is set to be reviewed and approved by the Cabinet Committee on Energy (CCOE) on Thursday (today). The plan is designed to ensure coordinated, evidence-based decision-making across the country's power, petroleum and water sectors. Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif will chair the CCOE me..... [more >>](#)

Power generation falls 19pc in November

Source: [Our Correspondent, The News, International](#), 2025-12-18

KARACHI: Power generation fell by 19 per cent in November compared with October in the current financial year, driven by lower seasonal demand. On a year-on-year (YoY) basis, power generation remained broadly flat in November, with hydel and nuclear power continuing to be the leading contributors to the country's overall electricity output. Total generation during the month stood at 8,050 G..... [more >>](#)

SIFC prioritises brownfield refinery upgrades

Source: [Tanveer Ahmed](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-18

KARACHI: The Special Investment Facilitation Council (SIFC) has listed brownfield refinery upgrades as a top priority for modernising existing refineries in the country. SIFC officials told the top management of refineries that the council is attaching the highest priority to brownfield refinery projects and will take all possible measures to remove hurdles to their upgradation. The remarks wer..... [more >>](#)

Burden of petroleum levy likely to increase further in coming years

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-18

ISLAMABAD - The burden of petroleum levy on consumers is expected to further increase in the coming years and is projected to reach Rs2.212 trillion in the next four years, up from the target of Rs1.468 trillion for the ongoing fiscal year. Within the span of 10 years, it has been projected that petroleum levy will surge by almost Rs 1.8 trillion, from Rs424 billion in the fiscal year 2020-21 to [more >>](#)

Transcending provincial boundaries: Pakistan's power sector is a national mess

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-18

The federal government's financing deal aimed at tackling power sector debt has garnered much attention and rightly so. It is perhaps that rare occasion when Islamabad is facing past demons and taking them head on. The monster of circular debt has been years in the making. Hence, a massively bitter, one-time pill may be better to swallow. But herein lies the problem. One would have swal..... [more >>](#)

Aptma seeks two-month waiver of off-the-grid levy for captive power plants

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-18

ISLAMABAD: A deepening power crisis coupled with a 10-day transport shutdown has pushed the export industry to seek urgent government intervention, demanding waivers on the off-the-grid levy, demurrage and detention charges; extensions in tax deadlines; and relief from late payment surcharges on electricity bills to avert further production and export losses. The country's export-oriented i..... [more >>](#)

ECC approves Rs200bn power sector subsidy

Source: [Mateen Haider](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-19

ISLAMABAD: The Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) on Thursday approved several technical supplementary grants worth billions of rupees, including Rs200 billion for the power sector, a payment to 945 deserving families of missing persons and funds for the construction of family suites for parliamentarians. The ECC approved the release of a Rs200 billion budgeted subsidy for the power sector. Th..... [more >>](#)

'Three hydropower projects completed'

Source: [Bureau Report](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-19

PESHAWAR: Special Assistant to Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Chief Minister on Information and Public Relations Shafi Jan said on Thursday that the province was rapidly progressing toward self-sufficiency in the energy sector. In a statement issued from his office, he said that the provincial government, through PEDO and using its own resources, had completed three hydropower projects with a total capacity [more >>](#)

ECC okays Rs200bn equity injection for Discos amid cash-flow stress

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-19

ISLAMABAD: The Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the cabinet on Thursday approved more than Rs225 billion in supplementary grants, including for parliamentarians' schemes and power sector subsidy through government's equity injection. The meeting of the committee presided over by Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb also eased eligibility criteria for prime minister's fan [more >>](#)

World Bank urges Pakistan to reform gas sector, split utilities for debt control

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-19

ISLAMABAD: The World Bank is pushing Pakistan to develop a road map for gas-sector reforms to unbundle the public utilities aimed at bringing efficiency, controlling losses and curtailing circular debt. The bank also wants the government to unbundle the distribution and transmission network of gas utilities and set up more firms by splitting the existing two companies. At present, two public ga..... [more >>](#)

Qatar agrees to cancel 24 LNG cargoes as Pakistan reopens local gas wells

Source: [Zaigham Naqvi, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-19

Qatar has agreed to cancel surplus Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) cargoes, prompting the federal government to reopen previously shut local gas wells from January 2026. Local gas from the closed fields is expected to start flowing into the system from January. The gas fields were earlier shut down to manage surplus LNG cargoes. Government sources said Qatar has now agreed to cancel 24 LNG shipments [more >>](#)

World Bank keen to work collaboratively on reforms in LPG sector, capacity building of Ogra

Source: [Our Staff Reporter, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-19

ISLAMABAD - The World Bank has expressed willingness to work collaboratively on reforms in the LPG sector and capacity building of OGRA. World Bank Country Director for Pakistan Bolormaa Amgaabazar expressed the willingness in a meeting with Federal Minister for Petroleum Ali Pervaiz Malik. During the meeting, ongoing and future reforms in Pakistan's energy sector, with a particular focus on..... [more >>](#)

DISCOs grid charges;Nepra wants govt to apply for uniform pricing

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-19

ISLAMABAD: National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has asked the federal government to file an application for the uniformisation of determined grid charges across all power distribution companies (DISCOs), so that these charges may be imposed uniformly on all Bulk Power Consumers (BPCs) and other open-access users, as envisaged under the National Electricity (NE) Plan and the Eligibi..... [more >>](#)

Grid generation barely holds up

Source: [BR Research, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-19

Pakistan's national grid generated more electricity units in the first five months seven years ago than it did in 2025. Cumulative generation in the first five months of FY19 exceeded that of 5MFY26, as generation in FY26 has barely moved from a year ago and remains nearly 10 percent below the FY22 peak. Over the last 16 months, 14 have seen actual grid generation remain below reference gene..... [more >>](#)

Attock Petroleum Limited

Source: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-19

Attock Petroleum Limited (PSX: APL) was Incorporated in 1998 an oil marketing company It is part of the vertically integrated Attock Oil Group. While FY23 shareholding pattern is not available yet, FY22 annual report shows that its sponsor, Pharaon Investment Group Limited Holding s.a.l holds the largest shareholding at 34 percent, whereas other key shareholders include Attock Refinery, Pakistan O..... [more >>](#)

Gas utilities reject proposal to end fixed asset return

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-20

ISLAMABAD: Gas utilities have opposed a proposal to scrap the guaranteed asset-based return formula and have asked the government to continue the current pricing regime. The government had tasked the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) with restructuring the two public gas utilities by doing away with the fixed asset-based return. According to officials, the regulator hired consultancy firm [more >>](#)

NGC makes progress in ERP and ICT modernisation

Source: [News Wire](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-20

LAHORE - The National Grid Company of Pakistan (NGC) has achieved over 85 percent progress in its ERP and ICT Modernisation Programme, marking a major step towards digital transformation and improved governance. During a 44th Steering Committee Meeting on ERP & ICT, Managing Director NGC Engr Altaf Hussain stated that the modernization initiative is fully aligned with the government of Pakista..... [more >>](#)

Challenge of power sector circular debt

Source: [Farhat Ali](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-20

Pakistan has been undergoing the never-ending rigmarole of refinancing the power sector circular debt. It is never ending - as successive governments have been refinancing the symptom and ignoring the disease. Pakistan's latest outreach to the Asian Development Bank (ADB) for substantive additional debt to retire the remaining Rs1.7 trillion circular debt and refinance part of the recen..... [more >>](#)

KE removes 200kg of illegal wiring in Orangi crackdown

Source: [News Desk](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-21

K-Electric (KE) continued to take action against electricity theft to bring down distribution loss, removing nearly 200 kilogrammes of illegal hooked connections (kunda) in Metroville, Orangi Town. KE's enforcement teams removed illegal connections that were causing a loss of around 350,000 units per month. This is not the first kunda removal drive in the area. During the ongoing fiscal ye..... [more >>](#)

Nepra seeks shift from net to gross metering for rooftop solar consumers

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-22

ISLAMABAD: In a major policy shift, the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has recommended replacing the existing net metering system with a gross metering mechanism for rooftop solar consumers, citing a growing financial burden on conventional grid users. Under the proposed Nepra Prosumer Regulations (NPR), a newly drafted 18-page document uploaded to the regulator's webs..... [more >>](#)

PM orders province-wide crackdown on illegal petrol pumps in Punjab

Source: [Asif Mahmood Butt](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-22

LAHORE: Acting on direct instructions from Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, the Punjab government has ordered an immediate and province-wide crackdown against illegal petrol pumps, identifying 238 fuel outlets operating without registration on the Rahguzar App across the province. Official correspondence shows that these outlets are believed to be major channels for the sale of smuggled fuel, causin..... [more >>](#)

Tariff issue: PD, KE at loggerheads

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-22

ISLAMABAD: The Power Division and K-Electric (KE) remain at loggerheads over the tariff issue, with KE demanding payment of Tariff Differential Subsidy (TDS) on the basis of original tariff determinations, citing a stay order of the Sindh High Court (SHC), while the Power Division insists that TDS payments will be made in accordance with NEPRA's revised determinations, well-informed sources [more >>](#)

SNGPL asks LDPL to clear Rs20bn dues urgently

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-23

ISLAMABAD: Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) has warned Liberty Daharki Power Limited (LDPL) to clear outstanding dues amounting to Rs20 billion, failing which its gas supply may be suspended. In a final payment notice addressed to the Chief Executive Officer of LDPL, the General Manager (Recovery) referred to the company's earlier correspondence dated November 18, 2025, regard..... [more >>](#)

PM wants wheeling charges at 'appropriate' levels

Source: [Zulfiqar Ahmad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-23

ISLAMABAD: In a bold move that reflects the mounting pressure to reform the country's beleaguered energy sector, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Monday ordered the Minister for Power Division, Awais Leghari, to engage stakeholders and submit recommendations to bring electricity wheeling charges to more "appropriate" levels. This directive forms part of the government'..... [more >>](#)

Pending applications with Discos; KATI urges Nepra to notify cut-off date for net billing

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-23

ISLAMABAD: The Korangi Association of Trade and Industry (KATI) has requested the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) to notify a clear cut-off date for net billing applicable to pending net metering applications with power distribution companies (Discos). In a letter addressed to the Nepra chairman, the association stated that it understands under the revised framework that [more >>](#)

IPP dues hit Rs1.2tr, including Rs500bn to Chinese firms

Source: [Israr Khan](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-24

ISLAMABAD: The payables of Independent Power Producers (IPPs) in Pakistan stand at Rs1.2 trillion, including Rs500 billion owed to Chinese power producers, officials disclosed Wednesday during a public hearing conducted by the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra). The hearing, presided over by NEPRA Chairman Waseem Mukhtar, reviewed the Central Power Purchasing Agency-Guarantee (C..... [more >>](#)

Federal cabinet okays extension of off-grid power levy

Source: [Syed Irfan Raza](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-24

ISLAMABAD: The federal cabinet on Tuesday approved the extension of the Off-Grid Power Plants Levy Act 2025 to include the sale of gas to captive power plants by third parties, as several key policy and legislative measures — in addition to the major decision on the privatisation of Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) — were given the go-ahead. A special meeting of the cabinet, pr..... [more >>](#)

PM approves dedicated secretariat for national energy plan to boost policy coordination

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-24

Prime Minister Shahbaz Sharif has approved the establishment of a separate secretariat for the Comprehensive National Energy Plan (CNEP) to enhance coordination on energy policy among federal ministries and provincial governments. Chairing a review meeting on the recommendations of the cabinet's sub-committee on energy, the prime minister stressed the need for close collaboration between al..... [more >>](#)

Payables of IPPs stand at Rs1.2 trillion: Officials

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-24

ISLAMABAD - The payables of the independent power producers (IPPs) stand at Rs1.2 trillion, including the dues to Chinese power producers, official said. The disclosure was made by the official of the Central Power Purchasing Agency during a public hearing conducted by the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA). NEPRA has conducted a public hearing on the CPPA-G petition for the dete..... [more >>](#)

CPPA-G & other entities; Nepra under fire for allowing 'undue' power costs

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-24

ISLAMABAD: National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Tuesday came under sharp criticism for allowing what consumer representatives termed unjustified costs to power sector entities such as the Central Power Purchasing Agency–Guaranteed (CPPA-G) without evaluating their previous year's performance, thereby placing an additional burden on already overburdened electricity co..... [more >>](#)

PID, ministry laud prompt settlement of advertising dues by Fesco

Source: [Press Release](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-24

FAISALABAD: The Press Information Department (PID), Ministry of Information and Broadcasting has lauded the Faisalabad Electric Supply Company (Fesco) for the timely payment and clearance of advertising dues during the fiscal year 2024–25. According to a special letter issued by PID, appreciation was expressed for Fesco's prompt settlement of advertising liabilities. The letter specifi..... [more >>](#)

Engro Powergen Qadirpur Limited

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-24

Engro Powergen Qadirpur Limited (PSX: EPQL) is an independent power producer with 217 megawatts (MW) combined cycle power plant near Qadirpur, District Ghotki. It was incorporated in 2006 and is headquartered in Karachi. The plant is a combined cycle plant, with 1+1+1 configuration including one gas turbine, one heat recovery system generator (HRSG), and one steam turbine. It uses permeate gas as [more >>](#)

Nepra takes Discos, K-Electric to task for refusing net-metering applications

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-25

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) has issued a stern notice to multiple distribution companies (DISCOs) and K-Electric for refusing to register applications for net-metering connections, calling the practice a violation of existing regulations. In an urgent message to the chief executive officers (CEOs) of MEPCO, IESCO, GEPCO, FESCO, LESCO, PESCO, QESCO, SEPCO, H..... [more >>](#)

Electricity bill: ANP blasts withdrawal of relief for flood victims

Source: [Mahboob Ali Yousafzai](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-25

MINGORA: Condemning the federal government's decision to recover electricity bill remissions earlier announced for flood-affected residents of Swat district, the Awami National Party (ANP) on Wednesday termed the move a "cruel and insulting joke" for people still struggling to rebuild their lives. In a press statement issued, Ziaul Haq Nasir, spokesperson for ANP in Swat, said [more >>](#)

Govt moves to phase out state-led power purchases

Source: [Khaleeq Kiani](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-25

ISLAMABAD: The government has approved a pilot electricity auction that will allow power to be bought and sold through competition, while also endorsing steps towards integrated energy planning across the country to end fragmented decision-making. In this regard, the Cabinet Committee on Energy on Wednesday approved framework guidelines for a "wheeling" auction of [more >>](#)

Sindh's unpaid power bills total up to Rs724m NA forms subcommittee to resolve billing, disconnection disputes

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-25

ISLAMABAD: The National Assembly Standing Committee on Energy (Power Division) has expressed concern over non-payment of electricity bills by the irrigation and power departments of the Sindh government, causing financial losses to power distribution companies operating in the province. According to an official statement issued on Wednesday, the committee directed the chief executive officers of..... [more >>](#)

800MW of electricity to be allocated for transmission in auction

Source: [Zafar Bhutta](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-25

ISLAMABAD: The Cabinet Committee on Energy (CCOE) on Wednesday approved guidelines for the wheeling auction of 800 megawatts to open the electricity market to competition among various players. Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif chaired the CCOE meeting. The guidelines are aimed at allocating 800MW of electricity through a transparent and competitive auction mechanism and will remain in force for a p..... [more >>](#)

Refineries seek weekly price review

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-25

ISLAMABAD: Refineries have called for a shift to weekly oil price revisions to better reflect international price movements, reduce pricing lags and support efficient supply planning across the downstream sector. At present, petroleum product prices are reviewed every fortnight. In a joint letter, oil refineries have expressed concern over the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority's (Ogra) conduc..... [more >>](#)

PM approves framework for comprehensive National Energy Plan

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-25

ISLAMABAD - Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif on Wednesday granted in-principle approval for the formulation of a comprehensive National Energy Plan, directing all relevant federal ministries and provincial governments to work in close coordination to develop a viable and integrated strategy for the sector. Chairing a review meeting on the recommendations of the Cabinet Sub-Committee on En..... [more >>](#)

Setting up of NEP endorsed; PM approves wheeling charges auction guidelines

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman / Zulfiqar Ahmad](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-25

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Wednesday granted in-principle approval to the framework guidelines for the auction of wheeling charges, marking a significant step in the government's efforts to develop a competitive energy market. According to the Minister for Power, Awais Leghari, following the approval of the electricity wheeling charges, an initial 200MW of electricity w..... [more >>](#)

Cabinet approves gas allocation for fertiliser plants

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-25

ISLAMABAD: The federal cabinet has approved gas allocation for fertiliser plants, transitioning fertiliser production to a Mari-based standalone gas supply system, official sources told Business Recorder on Wednesday. The decision ensures a long-term sustainability of domestic fertiliser production, safeguards national food security, protects farmers from price volatility, and strengthens ove..... [more >>](#)

PM sets 31st deadline for CSs to clear reconciled Discos' dues

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-25

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has set a deadline of December 31, 2025 for provincial chief secretaries to clear reconciled outstanding dues of power distribution companies (DISCOs), official sources told Business Recorder. According to the sources, the Minister for Power has been directed to communicate with the chief secretaries of the respective provinces for the urgent clearance..... [more >>](#)

CCoE approves integrated energy planning

Source: [NNI](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-25

ISLAMABAD: In a major policy shift, the Cabinet Committee on Energy (CCoE) has approved an Integrated Energy Planning (IEP) framework to align federal and provincial energy needs, production, and consumption. This move marks a significant step toward long-term, streamlined energy management. Under the new model, national energy planning will be centralized within a single institution to [more >>](#)

Reforms needed to cut fossil fuel use'

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-26

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan needs urgent structural reforms to reduce its reliance on fossil fuels, improve export competitiveness and accelerate industrial growth to effectively respond to climate change challenges, experts said

at a seminar held here on Thursday. The views were expressed during a discussion titled "Driving a Just Industrial Transition: Role of Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs..... [more >>](#)

Discos halt new net metering registrations as Nepra seeks explanation

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-26

ISLAMABAD - Power distribution companies (Discos) have halted registration for new prosumers, i.e. net metering users. The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) while expressing serious concern over the non-entertaining of the new net-metering applications by DISCOs has asked clarification from the power distribution companies, an official source told The Nation. "It has co..... [more >>](#)

ADB, govt sign projects worth USD730m

Source: [Tahir Amin, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-26

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) on Thursday signed two major initiatives worth USD 730 million. These include; i) the Second Power Transmission Strengthening Project amounting to USD 330 million, and ii) the Accelerating State-Owned Enterprise (SOE) Transformation Programme amounting to USD 400 million. Muhammad Humair Karim, Secretary, Ministry of Economic Affai..... [more >>](#)

Govt seeks details of working capital facilities availed by Halmore Power since 2010

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-26

ISLAMABAD: The government has reportedly sought complete details of the working capital facilities availed by the M/s Halmore Power Generation Company Limited since 2010 (15 years), including details of the total amount sanctioned /availed, purpose of facilities and particulars of Lien/security interest created against each facility, sources close to Registrar NEPRA told Business Recorder. T..... [more >>](#)

Oil glut could deepen

Source: [BR Research, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-26

Global oil markets have decisively moved away from a scarcity-driven narrative. The dominant feature now is structural oversupply, with supply growth persistently outpacing demand and inventories continuing to build across major hubs. Production from the US, Brazil and other non-OPEC producers remains resilient, while sanctioned barrels continue to find their way into global trade flows. Against t..... [more >>](#)

Oil and Gas Development Company Limited

Source: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-26

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 resourc..... [more >>](#)

Power system; PD sets up body to roll out BESS roadmap

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-27

ISLAMABAD: The Power Division has constituted a committee to identify the sitting and sizing, assessing benefits and preparing a roadmap for the deployment of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) in Pakistan's power system. The committee will be headed by Altaf Hussain, Managing Director, National Grid Company (NGC), as Convener. Other members include Muhammad Zakria, Executive Directo..... [more >>](#)

KE to build dedicated 132kV grid station for Pak Suzuki plant

Source: [Our Correspondent, The News, International](#), 2025-12-27

KARACHI: K-Electric (KE) and Pak Suzuki Motor Company Ltd have entered into an agreement under which a dedicated 132kV grid station will be constructed at the auto manufacturer's facility in Karachi. The initiative will ensure a reliable and efficient power supply of up to 20 megawatts (MW), supporting Pak Suzuki's expanding production requirements, KE said on Friday. The collaboration..... [more >>](#)

ECC refuses discounted gas for glass industry

Source: [Zafar Bhutta, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-27

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's economic managers have refused to provide discounted gas to the glass industry, rejecting a request submitted for granting tariff concession to a major manufacturer. The Ministry of Commerce, in a recent meeting of the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC), said that in pursuance of a judgement of the Lahore High Court (LHC), dated April 10, 2025, it had presented a sum..... [more >>](#)

'No gas loadshedding in Rawalpindi in winter'

Source: [Khalid Iqbal, The News, International](#), 2025-12-28

Rawalpindi: After a long time, residents of Rawalpindi were enjoying full pressure gas in December because Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Limited (SNGPL) has ended gas loadshedding in whole Rawalpindi region. The concerned department has announced to provide full pressure gas even in upcoming month of Ramazan in January, February and March without any interruption. The Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Limite..... [more >>](#)

1.6m solar power units distributed among people in Sindh, says Murad

Source: [Waseem Shamsi, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-28

SUKKUR: Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah has strongly condemned those diasporas "who are defaming the country and issuing different kinds of threats". "They are not going to achieve anything through these hollow threats," he said while speaking to media at Sukkur Airport before leaving for Garhi Khuda Bakhsh to attend Benazir Bhutto's death anniversary prog..... [more >>](#)

Away from fossils

Source: [Editorial, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-28

Pakistan's energy consumption mosaic is fossil fuel-driven, and is becoming a challenge to cope with. Efforts to lessen the dependence on non-renewable energy sources are flagged with structural obstacles and industrial lacunas, ultimately leading to environmental concerns and soaring debts. That is why a grand coalition of stakeholders has stressed the need for reforms to reduce reliance on f..... [more >>](#)

Rising energy costs, other challenges

Source: [M. Haroon Shamsi, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-28

Pakistan's inflation debate is typically framed around headline CPI movements and short-term adjustments. However, a longer-term structural view reveals a more persistent challenge: the steady escalation of energy costs and their cascading impact on food prices, household consumption patterns, and workforce productivity. This issue has moved beyond affordability. It now directly affects..... [more >>](#)

Iesco posts landmark performance in 2025 through reforms

Source: [APP, The News, International](#), 2025-12-30

Islamabad: Islamabad Electric Supply Company (Iesco) recorded an outstanding performance across all sectors during 2025 by effectively implementing the reform agenda and digitalisation drive of the federal government and the Ministry of Energy (Power Division), Chief Executive Officer Engineer Chaudhry Khalid Mahmood said on Sunday. He said to provide quality, timely online and digital services [more >>](#)

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LNG surplus management ain't reform

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-29

One of Pakistan's many standing commitments to the IMF is to "refrain from signing additional external RLNG contracts". Pakistan's RLNG journey has come a full circle in four years. From prime time shows to hard-hitting opinion pieces on the then government's "callous" approach in setting up another LNG terminal to now the government subtly terming what it [more >>](#)

IESCO demonstrates outstanding performance in FY25: CEO

Source: [PR](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-29

ISLAMABAD: During the year 2025 IESCO management ensured complete implementation of the reforms and directives issued by the Government of Pakistan and the Ministry of Energy (Power Division) for reforms and digitalization in the power sector. To provide quality, timely online and digital services to valued consumers, IESCO ensured region-wide rollout of the "Apna Meter Apni Reading" m..... [more >>](#)

HCSTSI says concerned at severe gas shortage, low pressure

Source: [Recorder Report](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-29

HYDERABAD: President Hyderabad Chamber of Small Traders & Small Industry (HCSTSI), Saleem Memon, has expressed serious concern over the severe gas shortage, low pressure, and increasing load management in Sindh, particularly in Hyderabad and other industrial areas, stating that the situation is having devastating effects on business activity and domestic life. He warned that with temperat..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan to import 88 LNG cargoes from Qatar in 2026

Source: [Khalid Mustafa](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-30

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan will import 88 LNG cargoes out of which 24 cargoes will be diverted to the international market under the Annual Delivery Plan (ADP) for 2026 agreed with Qatar. The 24 cargoes will be diverted to the international market under the Net Proceeds Differential (NPD) clause. However, the government has decided not to divert any NPD cargoes in January 2026, citing peak winter demand..... [more >>](#)

Govt prioritises critical power projects

Source: [Amin Ahmed](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-30

ISLAMABAD: Planning and Development Minister Ahsan Iqbal on Monday directed relevant ministries to finalise a prioritised list of the most critical power projects for the next three years. Of this amount, Rs1.1tr had been spent up to June 30, while the throw-forward stood at Rs492.4 billion. The allocation for 2025-26 is Rs104.7bn, with an additional demand of around Rs175bn indicated during the [more >>](#)

Ahsan seeks three-year completion plan for critical power, hydel projects

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-30

ISLAMABAD - The federal minister for planning has sought a three-year completion plan for critical power and hydel energy projects, as both the sectors have utilised only 3% and 12% of their PSDP allocations, respectively, in the first five months of the ongoing fiscal year. While chairing a high-level meeting to review critical PSDP projects in the power and hydel energy sectors, Federal Minis..... [more >>](#)

Petrol prices likely to fall by up to Rs10.60 per litre

Source: [Khalid Mustafa, The News, International](#), 2025-12-31

ISLAMABAD: Consumers are likely to receive significant relief at fuel stations from January 1, 2026, as authorities have finalised a sharp reduction in petroleum prices for the next fortnight, driven by a steep decline in international oil prices. According to official sources, petrol prices are expected to fall by up to Rs10.60 per litre, while high-speed diesel (HSD) may be reduced by Rs8.59 pe..... [more >>](#)

WAPDA generates 33.12bn units of hydel electricity in 2025

Source: [Recorder Report, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-31

LAHORE: The year 2025 proved to be a satisfactory one for Pakistan's hydropower and water sectors as WAPDA consistently supplied clean, green and low-cost hydel electricity to the national grid. Despite diverse and serious challenges, the authority also achieved several key milestones on its under-construction mega projects. According to the WAPDA, its 22 hydel power stations collective..... [more >>](#)

Hydel power stations generated 33b units

Source: [APP, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-31

ISLAMABAD: The outgoing calendar year 2025 proved to be satisfactory for hydroelectric power and water sectors as the Water and Power Development Authority (Wapda) contributed high quantities of clean, green and low-cost hydel electricity to the national grid. It also achieved several key targets for the under-construction mega projects despite a diverse environment and serious challenges. [more >>](#)

Govt rings in New Year with Rs10.28 per litre petrol cut

Source: [Zaigham Naqvi, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-31

The government has announced a reduction in the prices of petroleum products, offering relief to the public as the New Year approaches. The price of petrol has been reduced by Rs10.28 per litre, bringing the new price to Rs253.17 per litre. Additionally, the price of high-speed diesel (HSD) has been slashed by Rs8.57 per litre, with the new price set at Rs257.08 per litre. The Petroleum Division [more >>](#)

No policy shift for existing net metering consumers as NA body probes power arrears

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-25

ISLAMABAD - Federal Power Minister Awais Leghari has stated that no policy changes are being considered for existing net metering consumers. Addressing the media after a meeting of the National Assembly Standing Committee on Power, the minister said that the matter of new net metering rates falls under the jurisdiction of NEPRA. He added that the regulator has sought public opinion on the issue, a..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan seeks oil deal with Russia as energy ministries hold talks

Source: [Reuters, Dawn, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

Russia and Pakistan are in talks on a potential oil-sector agreement, Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb told RIA news agency in remarks published on Tuesday. "All of these areas are Russia's strengths. And we would be very happy if Russia agreed on an agreement in this sector with Pakistan," Aurangzeb told RIA in an interview when asked about wider cooperation in exploration..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [Reuters, Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-17

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Pakistan, Kuwait discuss expanding cooperation in petroleum sector

Source: [Our Correspondent](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

KUWAIT: Federal Minister for Petroleum Ali Pervaiz Malik held a meeting in Kuwait with Tariq Sulaiman Al-Roumi, Minister of Oil of the State of Kuwait, to discuss matters of mutual interest and strengthen bilateral cooperation in the petroleum sector. According to an official statement on Monday, the meeting was also attended by Sheikh Nawaf Al-Sabah, Chief Executive Officer of Kuwait Petroleum [more >>](#)

Renewable Energy

Solar panels seized by Customs; PM directs FBR, PD and G-B to roll out distribution plan

Source: [Mushtaq Ghumman](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-24

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has directed the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR), Power Division and government of Gilgit-Baltistan to develop a mechanism for distribution of solar panels, confiscated by Customs at Karachi, in designated cities and organize a distribution ceremony for the Prime Minister, sources close to Chairman FBR told Business Recorder. He issued these dire..... [more >>](#)

Sindh govt distributing solar homes for affordable electricity: CM Murad

Source: [Our Staff Reporter](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-28

SUKKUR - Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah, expressed satisfaction over the preparations to commemorate Shaheed Benazir Bhutto's anniversary. He said Balochistan CM, KP Governor, Punjab Governor, and Azad Kashmir PM will also attend the ceremony. Talking to media on Saturday, he stated Sukkur has received many projects under PPP, and more are needed. Sukkur Barrage is closed for re..... [more >>](#)

Experts link clean energy shift to system reform

Source: [Jamila Achakzai](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-16

Islamabad: Pakistan's energy transition calls for coordinated planning, improved forecasting, investment in grid readiness and targeted climate finance, experts emphasised at a roundtable here on Monday. They said without addressing structural barriers such as capacity payments and outdated tariff frameworks, the country would struggle to translate its renewable momentum into a sustainable a..... [more >>](#)

Net-metering regulations draft: A welcome course correction

Source: [BR Research](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-17

After much dilly-dallying, the government has finally made a move on net metering regulations. The latest set of regulations draft sought for approval by the power regulator are nothing short of seismic. Expect uproar, from parliament to the opinion pages. But this was coming, is much needed, and is just about the right thing to do. Regular readers would recall this space advocating rationalization..... [more >>](#)

Solar that saves

Source: [Paul F Delespinasse](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-18

Many Americans who don't believe in global warming will opt to invest in solar energy simply because it will save them lots of money. Unfortunately, not everyone can install solar panels on their roofs. People in apartments or renting will not have that opportunity, though some might cash in through community solar organizations or plug-in solar – portable panels that can be placed on..... [more >>](#)

Govt revises net metering policy, cuts solar buyback rate

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-21

The Ministry of Energy has approved a major revision to Pakistan's net metering policy, significantly altering the framework for solar power consumers across the country. Sources in the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority

(Nepra) said the decision was finalised after months of consultations with key stakeholders, including power distribution companies (Discos) and regulatory bodi..... [more >>](#)

Climate March in Karachi seeks end to fossil fuel use, demands transition to clean energy

Source: [Sumair Abdullah, Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-12-22

KARACHI: Activists and people from all walks of life participated in the Climate March 2025 to express their concern over the effects of climate change in the city, country and the rest of the world. The march, which was organised by the members of civil society, was started from Frere Hall. The participants proceeded towards the Karachi Press Club. A large number of people, including rights ac..... [more >>](#)

End of net metering – goodbye to green energy?

Source: [Moin M Fudda ONZM, S.I., Business Recorder, Islamabad](#) , 2025-12-22

The Federal Government has made a final decision to abolish the Net Metering system for solar installers and replace it with a gross billing policy. For the implementation of this decision, power regulator, NEPRA, has formally issued draft rules. Deviating from established procedures, NEPRA has not announced any date for a public hearing this time. It is quite possible that after ten years, Pakist..... [more >>](#)

Regulating solar energy Nepra's draft protects utilities, stalls solar adoption, energy reform

Source: [Editorial, The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#) , 2025-12-23

Nepra's newly released draft Prosumer Regulations, 2025, ostensibly designed to "balance" the interests of electricity consumers and distribution companies, reads less like reform and more like a defensive manoeuvre to shield an ailing power utility sector from the disruptive rise of solar energy. The proposed changes include: future net-metering contracts reduced from seven to five..... [more >>](#)

Distributed solar market holds estimated Rs800b in untapped lending potential across just three major cities

Source: [Fawad Yousafzai, The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2025-12-23

ISLAMABAD - Pakistan's distributed solar market holds an estimated Rs800 billion (\$2.8 billion) in untapped lending potential across just three major cities, yet millions of households and small businesses remain locked out due to structural financing constraints. The revelation was made by a study launched by Renewables First, conducted in knowledge partnership with the Pakistan Banks&rsquo..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan urged to align clean energy transition with industrial growth, export needs

Source: [News Desk, The News, International](#) , 2025-12-26

ISLAMABAD: Experts, policymakers and industry representatives at a seminar on climate-responsive industrial development on Wednesday stressed the need for phased structural reforms to reduce reliance on fossil fuels, enhance export competitiveness and support sustainable industrial growth in line with Pakistan's national policies. The seminar, titled 'Driving a Just Industrial Transit..... [more >>](#)

Energy bright spots

Source: [John Rogers, The News, International](#) , 2025-12-29

To claim that 2025 in the United States has been one for the history books may be the understatement of the year. So many unprecedented things have happened, that historians will have no shortage of harrowing lessons to be learned from this era. In the clean energy space, the Trump administration launched attack after attack to slow down the clean energy in favor of fossil fuels, killing projects..... [more >>](#)

Solar industry stakeholders gather in Lahore for milestone event

Source: [Web Desk](#), [The Nation, Islamabad](#) , 2025-12-30

Jinko Solar marked 12 years of successful operations in Pakistan by hosting its Annual Success Event, “12+.12+ Legacy Celebrations,” in December at The Nishat Hotel, Emporium Mall, Lahore. The prestigious gathering brought together key stakeholders from across the solar industry to celebrate the company’s sustained growth and leadership in Pakistan’s renewable energy sector..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan’s solar shift has a gender problem

Source: [Zahra Naeem](#), [Dawn, Islamabad](#) , 2025-12-24

In a quiet Rawalpindi neighbourhood, where the power grid often dictates the rhythm of life, one family has transitioned from stopgap solutions to a more sun-powered reality. Their journey into solar energy was not just a financial calculation, but a response to a two-decade fight with an unreliable power supply. “It was one hour off and one hour on,” recalls Rubab, a 40-year-old ho..... [more >>](#)

SDPI's Engagement

Dr Najam was delivering a lecture on "Faith and climate change in the Age of Adaptation"

'Water conservation is part of Sunnah'

Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-31

Islamabad: World-Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) President Dr Adil Najam has said that climate change can no longer be addressed through science and economics alone and thus integration of faith, ethics and values into climate discourse and action is the need of hour in this 'Age of Adaptation'. Dr Najam was delivering a lecture on "Faith and climate change in the Age of Adaptation&r..... [more >>](#)

Faith, Values & Climate Action Must Complement Science In Age Of Adaptation: Dr Adil Najam

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-12-30

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Source: [SABAH News](#), 2025-12-30

اسلام آباد (صبح نیوز) موسمیاتی تبدیلی اب محض سائنسی رپورٹوں اور معاشی اعدادوشمار کا مسئلہ نہیں رہی بلکہ یہ انسانی رویوں، اخلاقی فیصلوں اور سماجی اقدار سے جڑا ایک ہمہ گیر بحران بن چکی ہے۔ اس بدلتی ہوئی حقیقت کے پیش نظر و [more >>](#).....

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Faith, values & climate action must complement science in age of adaptation: Dr Adil Najam

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ISLAMABAD : December 30, 2025: President of the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) and Dean Emeritus and Professor, Pardee School of Global Studies, Boston University, Prof Dr Adil Najam, has said that climate change can no longer be addressed through science and economics alone, and thus integration of faith, ethics and values into climate discourse and action is the need of hour in this 'Age..... [more >>](#)

A Report Launch

Solar power growth creates challenges to national grid: expert

Source: [Hamza Habib](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-23

ISLAMABAD: A Chinese energy expert has warned that the rapid expansion of decentralized solar power in Pakistan is placing additional pressure on the national grid and increasing costs for consumers who cannot afford solar systems. Prof. Dr Yixian Sun from the University of Bath, UK, said Pakistan has spent over USD 10 billion on solar imports without capturing industrial or economic spill-overs..... [more >>](#)

Reforms Must To Convert Pakistan's Rapid Solar Uptake Into Industrial Opportunity: Report

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-12-22

ISLAMABAD, (APP – Urdu Point / Pakistan Point News - 22nd Dec, 2025) Speakers at a report launch said that Pakistan's solar boom can be foundation for green industrialization, energy security & sustainable economic growth, however, this boom is import-dominated with China accounting for the bulk of solar equipment imports. The policy report, titled: "From Solar Boom to Green Indust..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan's solar boom can be a foundation for green industrialization

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Source: [لیڈی رپورٹر](#), [Daily Doraha](#), 2025-12-23
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Consultative Discussion

Trainee Civil Servants Visit SDPI For Policy Orientation On Governance Challenges

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-12-31

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SDPI Articles

Closing the national wage gap

Source: [Ahad Nazir](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-21

Pakistan's recent macroeconomic stabilisation has not translated into relief for the working households. While inflation has eased, the cumulative rise in food, housing, transport and energy costs has permanently shifted the cost of living upward. For millions of wage-earners, especially those at the lower end of the labour market, earnings hav..... [more >>](#)

When climate finance turns sour

Source: [Dr Khalid Waleed](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-22

Climate finance is often described as the missing link between climate ambition and climate action. Trillions are pledged, billions are announced, yet on the ground, particularly in the Global South, the flow of capital remains timid, selective and episodic. The usual explanation points to 'risk'. A more uncomfortable and analytically sharper diagnosis lies elsewhere: climate finance [more >>](#)

Sugar first, stability later

Source: [Dua Mobeen](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-25

On December 8 this year, the IMF Executive Board completed the second review of Pakistan's economic reform programme, under which Pakistan was cleared to receive a loan of about \$1 billion under the Extended Fund Facility (EFF) and about \$200 million under the Resilience and Sustainability Facility (RSF). Pakistan's GDP growth exceeded expectations, while inflation remained moderate. [more >>](#)

A stable achievement

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-28

As 2025 draws to a close, Pakistan's economic story resists easy characterisation. The year unfolded under the shadow of recent crises, fresh climate shocks and persistent structural weaknesses. Yet, it also featured moments of stabilisation and restraint that would have seemed unlikely not long ago. Before passing judgment on where the economy [more >>](#)

What was Pakistan's 2025 story?

Source: [Dr Abid Qaiyum Suleri](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-31

As 2025 draws to a close, one can safely say that it was yet another eventful year for Pakistan. It unfolded amid persistent uncertainty, recurring climate shocks, and familiar structural constraints. Yet it also produced outcomes that many would not have predicted at the start of the year. Some indicators surprised on the upside, others moved little, and a few revealed tensions that are easy to [more >>](#)

27th Constitutional Amendment: Call for Reforms in Armed Forces Command

Source: [Brigadier Mohammad Yasin \(Retired\)](#), [ChatZyr](#), 2025-12-30

Prior to 1971 war with India, the tri-service coordination was nonexistent resulting in weak jointness in military operation and a painful setback. The Pakistan Navy (PN) came to know the D-Day and H-Hour when the Army and

the Air Force had already launched their operations. As a result, the PN could not take the initiative like it did in 1965 war with India when it attacked an Indian coastal setu..... [more >>](#)

Climate Change: “We Are Responsible for This Chaos”

Source: [Abid Rasheed](#), [The Destination](#), 2025-12-30

When the cool morning breeze of Islamabad brushes against the face, every inhalation seems to carry nature’s whispers. But who listens? We have long shut the windows leading to reason and awareness. In the northern mountains, glaciers weep silent tears; in the heartlands of Punjab, sprawling private housing societies pierce the earth like intrusive thorns; in Sindh, the land mourns the loss [more >>](#)

SDPI's Related News

Post-COP30 seminar discusses climate risks

Source: [Rasheed Khalid](#), [The News, International](#), 2025-12-16

Islamabad: Jauhar Saleem, President, Institute of Regional Studies (IRS), has highlighting Pakistan’s disproportionate exposure to climate risks despite contributing less than 1 per cent to global greenhouse gas emissions. Mr Saleem was opening the post-COP30 seminar convened here by IRS to examine the outcomes of the UN climate conference held in Belém, Brazil, and its implications f..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan, ADB seal \$730 million package

Source: [Editorial](#), [The Express Tribune, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-26

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and the Asian Development Bank have signed two major financing initiatives worth a combined \$730 million, aimed at reinforcing the country’s power transmission network and accelerating reforms in state-owned enterprises (SOEs), officials said on Thursday. The agreements cover a second power transmission strengthening project, valued at \$330 million, and an accelerating SO..... [more >>](#)

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Seminar News

Experts call for capacity development, awareness to tackle cybercrime, online GBV

Source: [Hamza Habib](#), [Business Recorder, Islamabad](#), 2025-12-16

ISLAMABAD: Speaking at a seminar, experts from the legal community, media, education, law enforcement, and regulatory bodies stressed the need for institutional capacity building, increased public awareness to secure digital lives, and effective measures to address technology-based gender-based violence (GBV). The seminar, titled “Securing Digital Lives: Cybersecurity, Gender-Based Violence..... [more >>](#)

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Source: [نمائندہ خصوصی](#), [Daily Nawa e Waqt](#), 2025-12-17

اسلام آباد (نمائندہ خصوصی) سائبر سپیس میں بڑھتے خطرات، آن لائن صنفی تشدد اور ڈیجیٹل حقوق کے تحفظ جیسے سنگین چیلنجز سے نمٹنے کیلئے..... ماہرین نے اس بات پر زور دیا ہے کہ ڈیجیٹل حقوق کو بنیادی انسانی حقوق کے طور پر تسلیم کرنے بغی [more >>](#)

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Pakistan Tops Global Charts for Online Indecent Searches Despite Decline in Viewership, PTA Says

Source: [Noman Ahmed](#), [24/7News tv](#), 2025-12-16

Pakistan continues to rank first globally in online indecent search trends, according to remarks made by Dr. Muqarram Ali, Director General of the Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA), at a recent cybersecurity seminar hosted by the Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI). While overall viewership of such content has reportedly declined, the country still leads worldwide in search vo..... [more >>](#)

Digital Gender-Based Violence Puts Women's Digital Rights at Risk, Experts Say

Source: [Rizwana Omer](#), [Phone World](#), 2025-12-16

As Pakistan's digital footprint expands, experts from law, media, education, regulation, and law enforcement have warned that weak institutional capacity and limited public awareness are leaving citizens vulnerable to cybercrime and digital gender-based violence (GBV). Speakers stressed that securing digital lives now requires a coordinated national response that treats digital rights as fun..... [more >>](#)

Symposium News

UNFPA's official explains criticality of data-driven development planning

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ISLAMABAD: Pakistan stands at a pivotal moment in its demographic evolution, where it must either capitalise on the potential of its youth or risk losing a historic opportunity, warned Dr Luay Shabaneh, the UNFPA's country representative to Pakistan, on Tuesday. Speaking at the National Data for Development (D4D) Symposium 2025, organised by UNFPA and the Sustainable Development Policy Inst..... [more >>](#)

Pakistan Stands At Defining Moment Of Its Demographic Change: Dr Luay

Source: [APP](#), [Urdu Point Lahore](#), 2025-12-24

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UNFPA Launches Youth Development Index

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Defining Moment Islamabad: Pakistan stands at a critical juncture in its demographic transition, offering an opportunity to leverage its large youth population for national development, said Dr. Luay Shabaneh, UNFPA Country Representative, at the inaugural session of the two-day National Data for Development (D4D) Symposium 2025 in Islamabad. The symposium, organized by UNFPA in partnership with..... [more >>](#)

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