






Weekly Media Monitor

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This week's major news updates in Pakistan's energy sector:

- The IMF has asked the caretaker government to improve its power generation system to provide relief to Pakistani consumers and withdraw the subsidy it is providing on gas being supplied to captive power plants.
- A Chinese electric car manufacturing company is setting up an electric vehicle plant in Pakistan and a chain of showrooms in major cities of Pakistan.
- Circular debt has reached Rs. 5400 billion of which power sector's circular debt is Rs. 2500 billion and gas sector debt Rs. 2900 billion. Caretaker energy minister says the government is paying interest of nearly Rs. 1000 billion.
- Plans are underway to switch the power network of the entire stations of Pakistan Railways to solar systems in different phases, which can potentially save Rs. 1.8 billion for the department.
- Private enterprise AsiaPak Investments unveils investment plan of \$545 million to revitalize the Jamshoro Coal Power Plant, which has been stalled due to the unavailability of imported coal.

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
China's coal output rises <i>Business Recorder, Sep 17</i>	Russia mulls ban on oil product exports to stabilise prices <i>The News, Sep 17</i>	Supply from Jhimpir Wind Farm to go down: KE seeks 60 MMCFD more gas to operate BQPS-II <i>Business Recorder, Sep 17</i>	KE reports first loss in 12 years <i>Express Tribune, Sep 17</i>	PM Kakar leaves for US to represent Pakistan at 78th session of UNGA <i>Dawn, Sep 17</i>
Govt to align coal price formula for power producers with global standards <i>The News, Sep 16</i>	Business community rejects hike in fuel prices <i>Business Recorder, Sep 17</i>	Renewable Energy: Importance for the global energy transition in 2023 <i>Pakistan Today, Sep 17</i>	Talks underway with WB, ADB to sort out issues pertaining to Discos, says energy minister <i>Business Recorder, Sep 16</i>	'Sustainable shipping crucial to mitigate climate change' <i>Express Tribune, Sep 17</i>

Eight days after Lakhra mine collapse, search for three workers continues	Output to reach 50,000 bpd: OGDCL	Power sector's sustainability linked with tough moves	SPI inflation down 0.25pc WoW	Climate activists spray-paint Berlin's historic Brandenburg Gate
<i>The Dawn, Sep 15</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 17</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 17</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 16</i>	<i>The News, Sep 17</i>
Import value of Afghan-origin coal declines to \$95 PMT	Fuel price hike challenged in high court	Solar power fast becoming out of reach	Weekly inflation stays elevated on costly food, energy	G77+China summit in Cuba calls for new global order
<i>Business Recorder, Sep 14</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 17</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 16</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 16</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Sep 16</i>
AsiaPak Investments seeks to convert Jamshoro plant into Thar coal	Oil set for 3rd weekly gain	Pakistan, Denmark discuss green energy	Financial crisis: a case of Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa	'US committed to working with Pakistan to prevent climate change'
<i>Business Recorder, Sep 12</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 16</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 15</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 16</i>	<i>The News, Sep 15</i>
China's strong crude oil, coal and iron ore imports flatter to deceive	Summary seeking up to 50pc raise in gas sale prices re-submitted	G-20 Summit: a tale of hypocrisy and greed	PSDP 2023-24: Planning ministry disburses Rs135.41bn	Environmental march held
<i>Business Recorder, Sep 12</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 15</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 14</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 15</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 16</i>
Private firm to revive Jamshoro plant	Senate body irked by absence of petroleum secretary	Decoupling of energy and growth in Pakistan	SBP surprisingly leaves rate on hold	The climate-hunger nexus
<i>Express Tribune, Sep 12</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 15</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 14</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 15</i>	<i>The News, Sep 16</i>
India, Brazil, Russia boast success as G20 moot ends	Petrol price likely to go up by Rs16 per litre	UNEP urges construction sector's transformation to reduce emissions	SC orders to restore all corruption cases against public office-holders	Pakistan's uphill battle: navigating the complexities of climate change
<i>Dawn, Sep 11</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 14</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 13</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Sep 15</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 15</i>
	Nashpa Well-10: OGDCL achieves another production enhancement milestone	Railways to switch its entire stations' power network to solar systems	Chinese firm to establish electric vehicle plant in Pakistan	UN secretary-general calls for equality for Global South at Cuba G77 summit
	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 14</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Sep 12</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 15</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 15</i>
	Attock Petroleum Limited	PSA praises govt for maintaining current net metering rate	Dollar higher	Climate panel backs moratorium on tech to dim Sun
	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 14</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 12</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 14</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 15</i>

	Govt raises RLNG prices for consumers of Sui firms	Interim CM urges KE to generate cheap electricity	Pak Suzuki extends shutdown of motorcycle plant	Whitefly attack giving Punjab cotton growers sleepless nights
	<i>The News, Sep 13</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 12</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 14</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 13</i>
	OGDCL sees significant oil & gas production increase in KPK well	‘Solar net metering rates won’t be decreased’	PHC seeks govt’s response over inflated power bills	Flood-proof houses give hope against climate change
	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 13</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 12</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 14</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 13</i>
	Govt increases RLNG prices for Sui companies	Baqar asks K-Electric to produce affordable electricity for Karachiites	IMF sets conditions for power bill relief	Save our snow
	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 13</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 12</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 14</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 12</i>
	Oil, gas production begins at Nashpa-11	Amidst high power bills, people turning to solar energy	Ambitious energy production plan unveiled	9 island states take ocean pollution case to UN court
	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 13</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 11</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 14</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 12</i>
	Ogra raises LPG prices for SNGPL and SSGC consumers	Sindh govt all set for crackdown on power theft	IFC commits \$1.5bn in short, long-term investments	
	<i>Business Recorder, Sep 13</i>	<i>Dawn, Sep 11</i>	<i>Business recorder, Sep 14</i>	
	K-P contributes 31,000 barrels of oil to country		Analysts anticipate hike of 150bps in key rate	
	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 12</i>		<i>Express Tribune, Sep 13</i>	
	‘No word’ from IMF on plan to reduce gas circular debt		Energy/electricity sector issues: PALSP delegation briefs minister	
	<i>Express Tribune, Sep 12</i>		<i>Business Recorder, Sep 13</i>	
			MPS tomorrow	
			<i>Business Recorder, Sep 13</i>	
			KATI team discusses electricity woes with energy minister	
			<i>Business recorder, Sep 13</i>	

			FTO orders probe against FBR officials	
			<i>Business Recorder, Sep 12</i>	
			Wasa Lahore to apply for ISO 50001 certification	
			<i>Business Recorder, Sep 12</i>	
			Zyp raises \$1.2m in seed funding, launches made-in-Pakistan electric bikes with battery swapping	
			<i>Dawn, Sep 12</i>	
			Baqar asks K-Electric to produce affordable electricity for Karachiites	
			<i>Dawn, Sep 12</i>	
			Urban islands of heat	
			<i>Dawn, Sep 11</i>	

Media coverage given to different parts of energy sector

