






Weekly Media Monitor

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

- Pakistan Foreign Renewable Energy Forum (PFREF), an entity representing foreign investors in the energy sector, writes to Army chief General Asim Munir to remove bureaucratic hurdles facing the installation of 13 wind and solar power projects which can produce 600 megawatts of electricity and can result in the investment of 600 million US dollars.
- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) announces to finance climate-resilient housing projects in countries, including Pakistan, that are vulnerable to climate change.
- Policymakers stress the importance to privatize state-owned electricity producers, Gencos), in order to reduce their portion in the circular debt.
- To expedite the replacement of costly thermal power plants, the federal Ministry of Planning, Development and Special initiatives (PDSI) proposes an increase in the tariff being offered to independent power producers interested in setting up solar power projects.

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
HUBCO's earnings up 17% in 2QFY24	Gas consumers receive 'inflated' bills from SNGPL	K-Solar, Faysal Bank and Bulleh Shah Packaging collaborate to launch 7.36MW Solar Power Project	APTMA urges govt to rethink energy pricing	Tetra Pak demonstrates packaging circularity at EuroVillage 2024
<i>Business Recorder, Feb 14</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Feb 18</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 18</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 18</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 18</i>
Trump can't stop green energy revolution, but China coal threat looms: Kerry	Industry slams caretakers for gas tariff hike, warns of economic fallout	PARTLY FACETIOUS: Green energy versus fossil fuel	HCCI president urges energy policy overhaul	Urgent action needed
<i>Business Recorder, Feb 13</i>	<i>Dawn, Feb 18</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 16</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 18</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 18</i>
	'Govt must reconsider gas tariff hike'	Solar Panels	Rising Tariffs	Lack of Snow
	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 18</i>	<i>Dawn, Feb 14</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 18</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Feb 18</i>

Gas price surge expected to propel inflation to 25%	Dawood Lawrencepur to sell entire stake in Tenaga Generasi to Artistic Milliners	Power Protests	Natural resources: Conservation, use and reuse
<i>Express Tribune, Feb 18</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 12</i>	<i>Dawn, Feb 18</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Feb 18</i>
UAE's non-oil trade hit record 3.5 trillion dirhams in 2023	Solar Synergy	Hubco to acquire another 9.5pc stake in SECMC	Endangered migratory animal species
<i>Business Recorder, Feb 18</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Feb 12</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 17</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 16</i>
Hiked gas tariff opposed		Big firms with \$7trn exit climate investment pressure group	Role of Artificial Intelligence in climate change
<i>Business Recorder, Feb 18</i>		<i>Business Recorder, Feb 17</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Feb 16</i>
Wave of deals puts US shale oil back in focus		Homes hit, businesses reel as energy rates jacked up	Striving for change
<i>Business Recorder, Feb 18</i>		<i>Express Tribune, Feb 16</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 16</i>
Petrol, diesel prices: Exchange rate adjustment to PSO led to hike		Contrary to OPEC view : IEA trims 2024 oil demand forecast	Pak-EPA confiscates over 25kgs banned single-use plastics in D-17
<i>Business Recorder, Feb 17</i>		<i>Express Tribune, Feb 16</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Feb 16</i>
SITE association president condemns gas tariff hike		GB people decry 22-hour-long power outages	Water scarcity leads to conflicts, Pakistan warns at UNSC
<i>Express Tribune, Feb 17</i>		<i>Dawn, Feb 16</i>	<i>Dawn, Feb 15</i>
Jul-Jan period: Petroleum group imports drop 12.06pc to \$9.332bn		Hike in energy tariffs to deepen industrial crises: PTEA	Decline of Migratory species
<i>Business Recorder, Feb 17</i>		<i>The News, Feb 16</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 15</i>
PARTLY FACETIOUS: An increase in Diesel's price		Industrialists slam 'adverse' govt policies	Revitalizing the Indus
<i>Business Recorder, Feb 17</i>		<i>Dawn, Feb 15</i>	<i>Dawn, Feb 15</i>
Mari discovers gas in 'troubled' Kohlu Block		'50% textile firms may shut down in coming weeks'	Living Indus Initiative ranked among UN's flagship programmes
<i>Dawn, Feb 17</i>		<i>Express Tribune, Feb 15</i>	<i>Dawn, Feb 14</i>
Completing the petroleum value chain		Govt takes flak for seeking Rs81.5b from consumers	COP hosts UAE, Azerbaijan, Brazil announce climate 'troika'
<i>Business Recorder, Feb 16</i>		<i>Express Tribune, Feb 15</i>	<i>Dawn, Feb 14</i>

	SCCI voices concern over excessive increase in gas prices		Nepra seeks Discos' accountability for overbilling	12 million saplings planned across K-P
	<i>Pakistan Today, Feb 16</i>		<i>Dawn, Feb 15</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 14</i>
	Gas prices hike gets final approval		APTMA urges govt to end unproductive cross-subsidies	Climate policy around the globe
	<i>Pakistan Today, Feb 16</i>		<i>Business Recorder, Feb 14</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Feb 13</i>
	Govt hikes petrol prices by rs 2.73, diesel by rs 8.37		IMF doesn't endorse tariff rationalisation for industry	One in five of world's migratory species at risk of extinction: UN
	<i>Dawn, Feb 16</i>		<i>The News, Feb 13</i>	<i>The News, Feb 13</i>
	Traders urge govt to withdraw gas price hike		Energy sector plans get IMF's thumbs down	Election and Environment
	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 16</i>		<i>Express Tribune, Feb 13</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 13</i>
	Hiking Gas prices			49,600 trees cut down for ballots, claim activists
	<i>Dawn, Feb 16</i>			<i>Express Tribune, Feb 12</i>
	Regulator slashes RLNG prices for February			EU's climate conflict
	<i>Dawn, Feb 16</i>			<i>Express Tribune, Feb 12</i>
	Cabinet okays up to 67pc hike in gas tariff			Wetlands and Human Wellbeing
	<i>Dawn, Feb 16</i>			<i>Dawn, Feb 12</i>
	PSO in 1HFY24			
	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 16</i>			
	Caretaker govt increases petrol price by Rs 2.73, HSD by Rs 8.37 per litre			
	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 16</i>			
	Engro Fertilizers' earnings hit Rs26.2bn in 2023, up 64% YoY			
	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 16</i>			
	ECC approves increase in gas prices			
	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 15</i>			

	'50% increase in global LNG demand by 2040'			
	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 15</i>			
	PSO suffers hefty loss of Rs10.4bn in 2QFY24			
	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 15</i>			
	Petrol, diesel prices likely to rise by up to Rs11/litre			
	<i>Dawn, Feb 15</i>			
	Govt approves Rs2.73 per litre petrol price hike			
	<i>The News, Feb 15</i>			
	Caretakers 'oblige' IMF with 45pc gas price hike			
	<i>Dawn, Feb 15</i>			
	Another hike in gas tariff approved on IMF diktat			
	<i>The News, Feb 15</i>			
	Petrol price may rise by Rs1.47, diesel Rs7.50 per litre from tomorrow			
	<i>The News, Feb 15</i>			
	Pakistan Oilfields Limited			
	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 15</i>			
	Oil price: Firm for now			
	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 15</i>			
	Diesel price may see Rs8 per litre increase			
	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 14</i>			
	SSGC eyes substitution plan amid depleting reserves			
	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 14</i>			

	Economic Coordination Committee defers plan to recover Rs100bn from gas consumers			
	<i>Dawn, Feb 14</i>			
	ECC may increase gas prices today			
	<i>The News, Feb 13</i>			
	Riyadh cites transition for oil capacity U-turn			
	<i>Express Tribune, Feb 13</i>			
	Attock Refinery postpones month-long closure over OGRA advice			
	<i>Business Recorder, Feb 12</i>			

Percentage of media coverage given to energy sector

