








# Weekly Media Monitor

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

- Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) suffers 9.3 billion rupees in losses in the fiscal year 2022-23.
- Indigenous oil reserves of Pakistan see a steep drop from 224 million barrels in 2022 to 193 million barrels in 2023.
- The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) approves five-year tariff for Islamabad Electric Supply Company (IESCO), Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) and Faisalabad Electric Supply Company (FESCO).
- Protests erupt in Gilgit Baltistan over 22 hours of load-shedding, leading to business and productivity losses.
- Business owners and industrialists protest 220 percent gas tariff increase within the previous year alone, urging the new government to provide relief.
- The price of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) surges to 300-400 rupees per kilogram as black market booms due to gas shortages.

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
<a href="#">Sahiwal power plant: Inquiry into coal purchase contract corruption allegations launched</a> <i>The News, Mar 12</i>	<a href="#">Gas becomes a rarity in Ramazan</a> <i>Express Tribune, Mar 17</i>	<a href="#">DGTO revokes solar association licence</a> <i>Express Tribune, Mar 16</i>	<a href="#">IMF assured: No more funds for CPEC</a> <i>Express Tribune, Mar 17</i>	<a href="#">Climate protesters under fire in Europe, says UN</a> <i>Dawn, Mar 17</i>
<a href="#">Coalmine explosion in eastern China kills seven</a> <i>The News, Mar 12</i>	<a href="#">Iran inks big contracts to increase oil production</a> <i>Business Recorder, Mar 17</i>	<a href="#">RfPs of RE projects sans benchmark tariff: Nepra allows KEL to conduct bidding</a> <i>Business Recorder, Mar 16</i>	<a href="#">Lesco detects 447 more power pilferers</a> <i>The News, Mar 17</i>	<a href="#">Entirely predictable</a> <i>Business Recorder, Mar 17</i>
<a href="#">Coal corruption</a> <i>Business Recorder, Mar 11</i>	<a href="#">Petroleum group: Jul-Feb imports show 10.93pc negative growth YoY</a> <i>Business Recorder, Mar 16</i>	<a href="#">Nissan considering partnership with Honda on EVs</a> <i>Business Recorder, Mar 15</i>	<a href="#">NEPRA greenlights KE's open bidding for hybrid power project</a> <i>The News, Mar 17</i>	<a href="#">Collaboration urged to tackle climate crisis</a> <i>Express Tribune, Mar 15</i>

<a href="#">Additional recovery: PPL seeks revision in prices of gas from Kandhkot field</a>	<a href="#">Solar batteries presented to 23 mosques in Orakzai</a>	<a href="#">A plan for electricity prices</a>	<a href="#">SC seeks report on actions to tackle climate change</a>
<i>Business Recorder, Mar 16</i>	<i>The News, Mar 15</i>	<i>The News, Mar 17</i>	<i>Dawn, Mar 15</i>
<a href="#">Tragic loss of life</a>	<a href="#">20,000 e-bikes approved for students: minister</a>	<a href="#">Nepra approves multi-year tariffs for 3 Discos</a>	<a href="#">UN climate chief writes letter to 200 nations</a>
<i>Business Recorder, Mar 16</i>	<i>The News, Mar 14</i>	<i>The News, Mar 17</i>	<i>Dawn, Mar 15</i>
<a href="#">Ukrainian drones hit Russia's Syzran oil refinery, regional governor says</a>	<a href="#">Solar projects to be expedited to fulfil Bilawal's promise of free power: Nasir</a>	<a href="#">IMF assured of power tariff hike</a>	<a href="#">PM kicks off spring plantation drive, vows to save country from climate change risks</a>
<i>Business Recorder, Mar 16</i>	<i>The News, Mar 14</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 16</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Mar 15</i>
<a href="#">Diesel price cut by Rs1.77 per litre</a>	<a href="#">Mansehra streets to have solar lighting system</a>	<a href="#">How to solve the 'bijli' problem</a>	<a href="#">Gearing up for change</a>
<i>The News, Mar 16</i>	<i>The News, Mar 13</i>	<i>The News, Mar 16</i>	<i>Dawn, Mar 14</i>
<a href="#">HSD price reduced by Rs1.77 per litre, petrol left unchanged</a>	<a href="#">KP govt to solarize 1,500 seminars: CM orders release of Rs 1.5bn funds for financially weak TMAs</a>	<a href="#">Handing over Discos to provinces</a>	<a href="#">SC seeks details on climate initiatives</a>
<i>Express Tribune, Mar 15</i>	<i>The News, Mar 12</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 16</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 14</i>
<a href="#">US waiver for Iran gas pipeline project sought</a>	<a href="#">JV with Chinese solar firm to bring \$700m in investments</a>	<a href="#">FPCCI seeks 'special' power tariff for industry, demands cut in policy rate</a>	<a href="#">Gandapur orders to launch Billion Tree Plus project in KP</a>
<i>Express Tribune, Mar 15</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 12</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 15</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Mar 14</i>
<a href="#">France eyes return to Pakistan's LNG market</a>	<a href="#">CM approves eco-friendly bus, e-bike projects</a>	<a href="#">Govt sets timelines for energy projects, including Iran-Pipeline oversight</a>	<a href="#">New App to control smog to be launched</a>
<i>Express Tribune, Mar 15</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 12</i>	<i>The News, Mar 15</i>	<i>The News, Mar 14</i>
<a href="#">Gas utility increases LPG imports to stabilise prices</a>	<a href="#">Seminaries to join solarisation project</a>	<a href="#">Costly energy deepens consumers' economic pain</a>	<a href="#">Youth to be trained for climate action curriculum under HEC programme</a>
<i>Express Tribune, Mar 15</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 12</i>	<i>Dawn, Mar 14</i>	<i>The News, Mar 14</i>
<a href="#">SSGCL accuses 'front men' of creating LPG shortages</a>	<a href="#">Xiaomi announces release date for first EV, shares surge</a>	<a href="#">2nd review under IMF's Stand-By Arrangement: discussions on structural reforms, energy sector held</a>	<a href="#">Eco awareness</a>
<i>Dawn, Mar 15</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 12</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 14</i>	<i>The News, Mar 14</i>
<a href="#">Utter loss of hope</a>	<a href="#">\$700 million solar energy projects signed</a>	<a href="#">'China helping Pakistan in energy sector'</a>	<a href="#">Post 1.5 C</a>
<i>Dawn, Mar 15</i>	<i>The News, Mar 11</i>	<i>The News, Mar 14</i>	<i>The News, Mar 14</i>

	<a href="#">Oil prices favouring upside</a>		<a href="#">Challenges facing energy sector: FPCCI pins its hopes on new govt</a>	<a href="#">COP29 host Azerbaijan plans to upgrade climate target</a>
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 15</i>		<i>Business Recorder, Mar 13</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 14</i>
	<a href="#">Govt keeps petrol price unchanged, reduces HSD's by Rs1.77 per litre</a>		<a href="#">Water, hydropower projects: ADB, Wapda discuss financial assistance</a>	<a href="#">Federal climate change secretary made Sindh chief secretary</a>
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 15</i>		<i>Business Recorder, Mar 13</i>	<i>The News, Mar 13</i>
	<a href="#">IEA raises oil demand outlook again but still lags OPEC</a>		<a href="#">Pledge made to develop Darband</a>	<a href="#">Winners of Gender Climate Award announced</a>
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 15</i>		<i>The News, Mar 13</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 13</i>
	<a href="#">Oil prices dip, but set to end week over 3% higher</a>		<a href="#">Households, businesses shift to biofuel for cooking</a>	<a href="#">Methane emissions from energy sector rose in 2023: IEA</a>
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 15</i>		<i>Express Tribune, Mar 12</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 13</i>
	<a href="#">Qatar raises May term price for al-Shaheen crude</a>		<a href="#">GB residents protest 22-hour power outages, internet disruptions</a>	<a href="#">Gwadar flooding a man-made disaster</a>
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 15</i>		<i>Dawn, Mar 12</i>	<i>Dawn, Mar 13</i>
	<a href="#">Sanctioned tanker NS Century reaches China port to discharge Russian oil</a>		<a href="#">China and Pakistan enjoy great potential in marine energy exploration: NPC deputy</a>	<a href="#">CM, US envoy eye scholarship boost</a>
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 15</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, Mar 12</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 13</i>
	<a href="#">IEA raises oil demand outlook again but still lags OPEC</a>		<a href="#">'FPCCI to take up KP's energy issues with Centre'</a>	<a href="#">Europe must do more against 'catastrophic' climate risks: EU</a>
	<i>The News, Mar 15</i>		<i>Business Recorder, Mar 11</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 12</i>
	<a href="#">SLL denounces allegations in LPG operations</a>		<a href="#">WPI: Gas and power at the core</a>	<a href="#">Climate poverty</a>
	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 14</i>		<i>Business Recorder, Mar 11</i>	<i>Dawn, Mar 11</i>
	<a href="#">Oil prices may be left unchanged in Ramazan</a>		<a href="#">Lesco plans uninterrupted power supply during Ramazan</a>	<a href="#">Debt burden hinders progress, Pakistan tells UN</a>
	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 14</i>		<i>The News, Mar 11</i>	<i>Dawn, Mar 11</i>
	<a href="#">Gas leakage in Pakistan</a>			<a href="#">Understanding the gender-climate nexus</a>
	<i>Pakistan Today, Mar 14</i>			<i>Dawn, Mar 11</i>
	<a href="#">Deadly devices</a>			
	<i>Dawn, Mar 14</i>			

	<a href="#">Two killed in blast at OGDCL camp</a>			
	<i>Dawn, Mar 14</i>			
	<a href="#">Petroleum prices likely to be kept steady</a>			
	<i>Dawn, Mar 14</i>			
	<a href="#">Russian oil refinery hit in wave of drone strikes</a>			
	<i>Dawn, Mar 14</i>			
	<a href="#">Fuel earnings of local refineries likely to improve in Q3</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 14</i>			
	<a href="#">POL products' prices may be kept unchanged</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 14</i>			
	<a href="#">Oil prices rise as revised IEA forecasts suggest tighter market</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 14</i>			
	<a href="#">Gulf markets climb with oil prices; Abu Dhabi slips</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 14</i>			
	<a href="#">Govt unlikely to increase POL prices for next fortnight</a>			
	<i>The News, Mar 14</i>			
	<a href="#">MQM-P MNAs demand end to gas outage during Sehri and Iftar</a>			
	<i>The News, Mar 14</i>			
	<a href="#">Oil up 2 percent on US crude stock drop, Russian refinery attacks</a>			
	<i>The News, Mar 14</i>			
	<a href="#">Pakistan's oil reserves dip 14 percent y/y amid production decline</a>			
	<i>The News, Mar 14</i>			
	<a href="#">Gulf markets climb with oil prices; Abu Dhabi slips</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 14</i>			

	<a href="#">Oil steady as OPEC retains demand forecasts</a>			
	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 13</i>			
	<a href="#">OPEC says IEA commentary on oil security encouraging</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 13</i>			
	<a href="#">Shell to cut about 20% of jobs in deals team: Bloomberg News</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 13</i>			
	<a href="#">Russian rouble strengthens vs dollar, buoyed by oil prices</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 13</i>			
	<a href="#">Oil rises on Russian refinery attacks, signs of strong demand</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 13</i>			
	<a href="#">OPEC sticks to oil demand view, nudges up economic growth</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 13</i>			
	<a href="#">Petrol price: weighing taxation options</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 13</i>			
	<a href="#">Fuel oil exports hit half-million tonnes amid local demand shift</a>			
	<i>The News, Mar 13</i>			
	<a href="#">OPEC sticks to oil demand view, nudges up economic growth</a>			
	<i>The News, Mar 13</i>			
	<a href="#">Domestic sector to get 19 LNG cargoes of Rs232bn</a>			
	<i>The News, Mar 13</i>			
	<a href="#">Deprived Citizens</a>			
	<i>Pakistan Today, Mar 12</i>			
	<a href="#">Kuwait raises April crude prices for Asia</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 12</i>			

	<a href="#">Sinopec starts natgas production at 2bcm per year at Sichuan gas field</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 12</i>			
	<a href="#">Oil prices rise slightly as OPEC retains demand forecasts</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 12</i>			
	<a href="#">OPEC, IEA at most divided on oil demand since at least 2008</a>			
	<i>The News, Mar 12</i>			
	<a href="#">SSGC posts massive Rs9.3 billion loss in H1 as gas purchase prices, arrears bite</a>			
	<i>The News, Mar 12</i>			
	<a href="#">OGRA pushes for refinery upgrade agreements under amended policy</a>			
	<i>The News, Mar 12</i>			
	<a href="#">E&amp;P firms to step up efforts to find new deposits</a>			
	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 12</i>			
	<a href="#">Industry leaders decry skyrocketing gas prices</a>			
	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 12</i>			
	<a href="#">FIA digs into claims of financial misconduct in LPG imports</a>			
	<i>Dawn, Mar 11</i>			
	<a href="#">Iran-Pakistan gas pipeline revival</a>			
	<i>Dawn, Mar 11</i>			
	<a href="#">Most Aramco buyers get full April volumes but heavy crude supply trimmed, sources say</a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 11</i>			

	<a href="#"><u>SSGC incurs massive loss of Rs9.3bn in 6MFY23</u></a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 11</i>			
	<a href="#"><u>Oil prices slips amid concerns over Middle East, China demand</u></a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 11</i>			
	<a href="#"><u>Govt urged to slash gas tariff urgently</u></a>			
	<i>Business Recorder, Mar 11</i>			
	<a href="#"><u>Sui gas told to seek bank loans for smooth LNG imports</u></a>			
	<i>The News, Mar 11</i>			
	<a href="#"><u>Govt asks SSGC, SNGPL to arrange financing for LNG imports</u></a>			
	<i>The News, Mar 11</i>			
	<a href="#"><u>PM directs uninterrupted gas, power supply in Ramazan</u></a>			
	<i>Express Tribune, Mar 11</i>			

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