






Weekly Media Monitor

July 22nd - 28th, 2024

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

- ➔ Three miners belonging to Khyber Pakhtunkhwa's Shangla district lose their lives in the same province's Nowshera district after inhaling poisonous gasses while working in a coal mine. Their death increases the number of coal miners who fell victim to poisonous gas in Nowshera in the month of July 2024 to 15.
- ➔ Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif directs the federal Petroleum Division to deregulate the process of fixing the prices of petroleum products. The deregulation will allow oil marketing companies to set their own prices.
- ➔ Gas sector's circular debt soars to 2,897 billion rupees owing to fixed gas tariffs in the past decade.
- ➔ Green Climate Fund (GCF), a global financing facility, approves a climate risk management fund of 9.8 million US dollars for the flood-prone areas of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province.
- ➔ The Privatization Commission approves the privatization of three electricity distribution companies (Discos) – Faisalabad Electric Supply Company (Fesco), Islamabad Electric Supply Company (Iesco) and Gujranwala Electric Power Company (Gepco).

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
Three die in Nowshera coal mine	Fixing oil prices: PPDA supports PM decision to end govt's intervention	Promote renewable energy sources to combat power crisis: ACS South Punjab	Three power firms to be privatised	Record-breaking heat
<i>Express Tribune, July 27</i>	<i>Business Recorder, July 26</i>	<i>The News, July 27</i>	<i>Dawn, July 28</i>	<i>Business Recorder, July 27</i>
	Govt to mull petroleum prices deregulation	Solar disruptions	Electricity tyranny	Climate change fuels extreme rainfall and stronger typhoons
	<i>The News, July 25</i>	<i>Dawn, July 27</i>	<i>The News, July 28</i>	<i>Express Tribune, July 26</i>
	Energy ministry calls for framework to deregulate fuel prices	PM stresses need to stop electricity theft, promote solar energy	Pakistan initiates talks on reprofiling Chinese power sector debt in country	Green Climate Fund approves \$9.8 million project to build climate resilience
	<i>Dawn, July 25</i>	<i>The News, July 26</i>	<i>Business Recorder, July 28</i>	<i>The News, July 26</i>
	Gas sector circular debt has hit Rs2.897tr, Senate panel told	Securing Pakistan's energy needs	Capacity payment agreements with IPPs: Govt could face severe business disruptions: UBG	Russia 'killing' climate, activists say ahead of court decision
	<i>The News, July 24</i>	<i>Express Tribune, July 22</i>	<i>Business Recorder, July 27</i>	<i>Express Tribune, July 24</i>

	‘Refineries upgrade at risk due to newly-introduced sales tax exemption	A quest for resilient energy landscape	IPPs: one of the most difficult conundrums	Hottest day record broken for second consecutive day
	<i>Business Recorder, July 23</i>	<i>The News, July 22</i>	<i>Business Recorder, July 27</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, July 24</i>
	Senate panel discusses country’s gas reserves		Official warns against unilateral action on IPPs deals	Climate change, urbanisation adversely affect agriculture: report
	<i>The News, July 23</i>		<i>The News, July 27</i>	<i>Dawn, July 24</i>
	Hike in fuel prices termed death warrant for economy		Electricity Distribution companies’ privatisation approved by commission board	Global crisis
	<i>Business Recorder, July 23</i>		<i>Express Tribune, July 27</i>	<i>The News, July 24</i>
			Retailers decry highest tariff of Rs77 per unit	Global climate chaos
			<i>Express Tribune, July 27</i>	<i>The News, July 23</i>
			IPPs: why leaders must lead from the front	Sherry urges joint action against climate crisis
			<i>Business Recorder, July 25</i>	<i>The News, July 23</i>
			Irresponsible actions could discourage investment in power sector	Climate Change – A setback for livestock-based economies
			<i>Business Recorder, July 25</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, July 23</i>
			Discos tariff: CPPA-G revises upward its positive adjustment request for June	Climate change education initiative launched
			<i>Business Recorder, July 25</i>	<i>Express Tribune, July 23</i>
			Petition filed in Supreme Court against IPP agreements	
			<i>Express Tribune, July 25</i>	
			SC and SIFC forums: FPCCI will fight case against IPPs’ capacity charges: Mohamin	
			<i>Business Recorder, July 24</i>	
			‘IPPs playing major role in destruction of economy’	
			<i>Business Recorder, July 24</i>	
			Govt urged to renegotiate power tariff with IPPs	
			<i>Business Recorder, July 23</i>	
			MHCBA slams govt for burdening poor with power bills	
			<i>The News, July 23</i>	
			High tariffs push down power demand	
			<i>Dawn, July 23</i>	

			Support units proposed for distribution firms	
			<i>Express Tribune, July 23</i>	
			IPP agreements to be challenged in Supreme Court	
			<i>Express Tribune, July 23</i>	
			Transparency and market reforms key to power sector overhaul: Gohar Aijaz	
			<i>Express Tribune, July 22</i>	
			Four IPPs 'earning' Rs10b monthly with zero power output, reveals ex-minister	
			<i>Pakistan Today, July 22</i>	
			lesco maintains zero load management in all six circles	
			<i>The News, July 22</i>	
			FPCCI demands reviewing agreements with IPPs	
			<i>Business Recorder, July 22</i>	
			SCCI demands cancellation of IPPs contracts	
			<i>Business Recorder, July 22</i>	

Percentage of media coverage given to energy sector

