



Weekly Media Monitor

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

- Solar panel prices in Pakistan decrease to rupees 32 per watt after a sharp 50 percent decrease in global lithium battery prices.
- Gohar Ejaz, former caretaker minister for commerce and a senior member of All Pakistan Textile Mills Association (APTMA), claims that the average per unit cost of electricity production in the month of July was as low as 9 rupees but the consumers were still billed at 80 rupees per unit in the same.
- The provincial government of Punjab announces a reduction of 14 rupees in the per unit price of electricity for consumers utilizing between 201 and 500 units each month.

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
‘Sahiwal coal plant plays pivotal role in energy sector’	MOL finds hydrocarbons in Kohat	MCML mulls introducing new local EV models in two years	Sindh govt pushed for electricity price cut in line with Punjab	President champions national tree plantation to counter climate change
<i>The News, Aug 16</i>	<i>Dawn, Aug 17</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 17</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Aug 18</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Aug 18</i>
PRIED's study: 'Include external costs to accurately price Thar coal power'	Pakistan should enhance gas exploration and production: study	Master Changan Motors Ltd plans local assembling of electric vehicles	Is govt charging Rs80 per unit for electricity produced at Rs9?	PM removes Climate Change secretary
<i>Business Recorder, Aug 15</i>	<i>The News, Aug 17</i>	<i>Dawn, Aug 17</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Aug 18</i>	<i>The News, Aug 18</i>
Shifting to Thar coal	Another oil and gas discovery made in KP	Master Changan Motors unveils two EV models	No rate cut for power consumers in Punjab using up to 200 units monthly	Climate action
<i>Business Recorder, Aug 12</i>	<i>The News, Aug 17</i>	<i>The News, Aug 17</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Aug 18</i>	<i>The News, Aug 17</i>
	Petroleum Levy: Two months of opportunity loss	ADM Group keen to invest \$250m for EVs manufacturing: CEO	Govt eyes fuel price adjustment mechanism in gas bills, similar to electricity charges	‘Monsoon brides’: extreme weather fuels child marriages in Pakistan
	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 16</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 16</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Aug 18</i>	<i>The News, Aug 17</i>
	July petroleum imports soar 60pc to \$1.266bn yoy	ADM Group to invest \$250m in electric vehicle sector, CEO announces	‘A whole of govt’ approach must to curb electricity theft, reduce line losses: PM	Japan to fund climate change projects
	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 16</i>	<i>The News, Aug 16</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Aug 18</i>	<i>The News, Aug 16</i>

	Protesters in Bannu uproot gas supply pipeline to Punjab	Punjab to launch electric transport initiative to tackle smog crisis	Punjab's power relief not sustainable, say economists	'Adaptivity only option to tackle climate change consequences'
	<i>The News, Aug 16</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Aug 15</i>	<i>Dawn, Aug 18</i>	<i>The News, Aug 16</i>
	RLNG plant near Trimmu catches fire	Solar revolution	PML-N ally cries foul over 'subsidy for Punjab'	Pakistan to declare snow leopard as int'l symbol of climate adaptation
	<i>The News, Aug 16</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 15</i>	<i>Dawn, Aug 18</i>	<i>The News, Aug 16</i>
	On IMF diktat, CPPs get last place in gas priority list	Auto players test demand for EVs amid market slowdown	Politics of subsidies	Climate blueprint
	<i>The News, Aug 15</i>	<i>Dawn, Aug 14</i>	<i>Dawn, Aug 18</i>	<i>The News, Aug 16</i>
	Govt to hike gas prices to shift heating system to electricity	Sazgar to launch CBU electric vehicle	111,912 electricity thieves arrested across Punjab	Climate without borders
	<i>The News, Aug 15</i>	<i>The News, Aug 14</i>	<i>The News, Aug 18</i>	<i>Dawn, Aug 15</i>
	Regulator raises RLNG prices	VLEKTRA bike completes Karachi-Hyderabad journey on single charge	People to get relief in electricity bills: Bilal Yaseen	Climate change: a common threat, a hope of unity
	<i>Dawn, Aug 14</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 13</i>	<i>The News, Aug 18</i>	<i>The News, Aug 14</i>
	Major gas discovery at Mari East Block in Rahim Yar Khan: OGDCL	Sazgar to launch ORA-07 EV in Pakistan	Restructure IPPs	HCSTSI concerned over impacts of climate change on business
	<i>The News, Aug 14</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 13</i>	<i>The News, Aug 18</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 13</i>
	PM Shehbaz announces major fuel price cuts on Independence Day eve	Big drop in solar panel prices in Pakistan, demand increases	Electrifying the future	July sets record as warmest month in Earth's history
	<i>Express Tribune, Aug 13</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, Aug 12</i>	<i>The News, Aug 18</i>	<i>Express Tribune, Aug 12</i>
	Fuel adjustment: Here is to a better 12 months	Pakistani, Chinese cos to launch new electric motorcycle with swappable batteries	Discos seek to recover Rs55.46bn from consumers	
	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 13</i>	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 12</i>	<i>The News, Aug 18</i>	
	Petroleum policy: consistency is the key		Is nuclear the answer to our energy SOS?	
	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 13</i>		<i>The News, Aug 18</i>	
	Govt reduces petrol price by Rs8.47, HSD's by Rs6.7 per litre		Punjab power tariff cut sparks debate	
	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 13</i>		<i>The News, Aug 18</i>	
	OGDCL begins tight gas production		Daughter sues K-Electric for Rs 30 million over father's death from electrocution	
	<i>Dawn, Aug 13</i>		<i>Express Tribune, Aug 17</i>	
	Petrol, diesel may see Rs9 decline for next fortnight		PM hails Punjab govt's historic relief for electricity consumers	
	<i>Dawn, Aug 13</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, Aug 17</i>	
	Pakistan, Russia in talks for LNG trade		'Why Punjab only': MQM-P demands nationwide uniform power tariffs	
	<i>The News, Aug 13</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, Aug 17</i>	

	Petrol price may be cut by Rs8.38, diesel Rs7.70		Tariff relief	
	<i>The News, Aug 13</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, Aug 17</i>	
	Proposal for 2-3pc sales tax on POL products to remove exemption		Business leaders for swift resolution of IPPs issue	
	<i>The News, Aug 13</i>		<i>Business Recorder, Aug 17</i>	
	OGDCL taps Pakistan's first-ever tight gas project		Relief in store for power consumers in Sept	
	<i>The News, Aug 13</i>		<i>The News, Aug 17</i>	
	Petrol, diesel prices likely to decrease		Tarbela Dam nears full capacity as water level reaches 1,549 feet	
	<i>Express Tribune, Aug 12</i>		<i>The News, Aug 17</i>	
	Reduced gas pressure expected in Sindh and Balochistan due to leak		MPs panel expresses grave concern over IPPs, power sector issues	
	<i>Express Tribune, Aug 12</i>		<i>The News, Aug 17</i>	
	FY24: Mari Petroleum's best profits yet		For two months: Punjab to get cheaper electricity by Rs14/unit	
	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 12</i>		<i>The News, Aug 17</i>	
	OGDCL commences tight gas production from Sindh		K-Electric producing costliest electricity in country, NA committee told	
	<i>Business Recorder, Aug 12</i>		<i>Express Tribune, Aug 16</i>	
			Electricity bills in Pakistan surpass house rents: Bloomberg	
			<i>Express Tribune, Aug 16</i>	
			SHC issues notices to Karachi mayor, others over tax collection through power bills	
			<i>Express Tribune, Aug 16</i>	
			High power costs	
			<i>Dawn, Aug 16</i>	
			Power woes	
			<i>The News, Aug 16</i>	
			Nawaz Sharif calls high electricity bills 'unbearable' for public, vows relief	
			<i>Express Tribune, Aug 15</i>	
			PM vows to share 'good news' on electricity bill reduction soon	
			<i>Pakistan Today, Aug 15</i>	
			Circular debt becomes major obstacle to progress: UBG	

			<i>Business Recorder, Aug 15</i>	
			2020 IPP report's recommendations: Power sector circles for implementation	
			<i>Business Recorder, Aug 15</i>	
			Fixing the IPPs	
			<i>Dawn, Aug 15</i>	
			Powering Pakistan	
			<i>Dawn, Aug 15</i>	
			It can cost more to power a house than rent it in Pakistan: report	
			<i>The News, Aug 15</i>	
			Consumers in Mansehra flay extra surcharges on power bills	
			<i>The News, Aug 15</i>	
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			<i>The News, Aug 15</i>	
			Overbilling scandal	
			<i>The News, Aug 15</i>	
			Cut in power tariff soon: Shehbaz	
			<i>The News, Aug 15</i>	
			Will share 'good news' on electricity bill reduction with nation soon: PM Shehbaz Sharif	
			<i>Express Tribune, Aug 14</i>	
			Study reveals hidden costs of hydropower	
			<i>The News, Aug 14</i>	
			PM Shehbaz says govt committed to cut electricity costs, tackle power theft	
			<i>Express Tribune, Aug 13</i>	
			'Relief on high electricity bills expected soon'	
			<i>Express Tribune, Aug 13</i>	
			Government mulls IPPs closure to reduce power tariffs	
			<i>Express Tribune, Aug 13</i>	

			Providing low-cost electricity to domestic, other consumers govt's top priority: PM	
			<i>Pakistan Today, Aug 13</i>	
			KATI for releasing pending Rs33bn power subsidy immediately	
			<i>Business Recorder, Aug 13</i>	
			500 kV Grid Station Sheikhpura: NTDC adds another 250MVA transformer	
			<i>Business Recorder, Aug 13</i>	
			Plans afoot to rationalise power tariff	
			<i>The News, Aug 13</i>	
			Mohmand Dam project: Wapda set to reach key milestone with Swat River diversion	
			<i>The News, Aug 13</i>	
			Fesco electrifies 76 villages in July	
			<i>The News, Aug 13</i>	
			KATI demands release of Rs33bn power subsidy	
			<i>The News, Aug 13</i>	
			Task force on IPPs: another wild goose chase?	
			<i>Business Recorder, Aug 12</i>	
			The spiralling impact of electricity price hikes	
			<i>Dawn, Aug 12</i>	
			A blueprint for a brighter grid	
			<i>The News, Aug 12</i>	

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