

Weekly Media Monitor

Sep 16th - Sep 22th, 2024

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

- Power companies propose a decrease of 57 paisas per unit in electricity bills for the month of August 2024 under fuel adjustment charges. The decrease has been proposed in the light of dwindling power demand.
- Pakistan State Oil (PSO), Pakistan Refinery Limited (PARCO), and Interstate Gas Systems sign an agreement to begin work on the construction of White Oil Pipeline, running from Machike near Lahore to Tarujabba near Peshawar.
- World Bank announces record climate finance mobilization of 42.6 billion US dollars between 1st July 2023 and 30th June 2024.
- Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) seeks to charge private companies an increased gas transportation tariff of 184 MMBTU as rent for the utilization of its infrastructure.

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
	OGDCL and China's CCDC sign MoU for shale and tight gas development in Pakistan <i>Express Tribune, September 22</i>		Impact of power tariff hike on SMEs highlighted <i>Business Recorder, September 22</i>	
			Protest erupts in North Nazimabad against K-Electric over power outages <i>Express Tribune, September 22</i>	
			Human resource in DISCOs discussed <i>Express Tribune, September 22</i>	
			The government's power woes <i>Pakistan Today, September 22</i>	
			Over 84,500 arrested, Rs114bn recovered in power theft crackdown <i>Pakistan Today, September 22</i>	
			IPPs allegedly pocketed billions without power generation, over-invoicing <i>Pakistan Today, September 22</i>	

			Without warning	
			<i>The News, September 22</i>	
			Power-sector realities	
			<i>The News, September 22</i>	
Govt to pursue Gwadar coal project	POL price reduction and the feel-good factor	Challenges facing solar industry highlighted	Pakistan's power sector – a case study	Rising seas
<i>The News, September 21</i>	<i>Business Recorder, September 21</i>	<i>Business Recorder, September 21</i>	<i>Business Recorder, September 21</i>	<i>Dawn News, September 21</i>
	Petroleum minister invites Chinese investment	Solar surge strains national grid	NTDC restructuring, transparency urged	‘Plantation must for healthy environment’
	<i>Express Tribune, September 21</i>	<i>Express Tribune, September 21</i>	<i>Express Tribune, September 21</i>	<i>The News, September 21</i>
	SSGC announces gas holiday for industries in Sindh		Power minister hints at revised IPP deals, promises relief in tariffs soon	UK to support 7 innovative Pakistani climate change projects
	<i>The News, September 21</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, September 21</i>	<i>The News, September 21</i>
			KE seeks to extract Rs853m more for Aug	Advancing climate action
			<i>Dawn News, September 21</i>	<i>The News, September 21</i>
			Court wants KE to review loadshedding policy with compassionate lens	
			<i>The News, September 21</i>	
			K-Electric seeks Rs0.51 per unit hike for August under FCA	
			<i>The News, September 21</i>	
			Nepra fines Iesco Rs10m for failing to ground electrical structures	
			<i>The News, September 21,</i>	
			IPPs’ review completed, tariff relief expected: Leghari	
			<i>The News, September 21</i>	
			For private companies: SNGPL seeks hike in gas transportation, distribution tariff	—
			<i>The News, September 21</i>	
			Leghari criticises slow decision-making in power sector	
			<i>The News, September 21</i>	
	PPL’s earnings jump 19%, clock in at Rs115.5bn in FY24	‘5,000 MW of renewable energy in the pipeline’	Minister briefs French envoy on alternative energy projects	World Bank boosts climate financing by 10 percent
	<i>Business Recorder, September 20</i>	<i>The News, September 20</i>	<i>Business Recorder, September 20</i>	<i>Business Recorder, September 20</i>
	Shell partners decry deal with Saudi company		Settlement of payments on reconciled dues: KE CEO seeks cooperation of Sindh PA body	UK to fund seven climate change projects in Pakistan amid growing environmental challenges
	<i>Dawn News, September 20</i>		<i>Business Recorder, September 20</i>	<i>Express Tribune, September 20</i>

	Deregulating Pakistan's oil challenges		Pakistan's energy committee calls for review of bagasse electricity pricing	World Bank boosts climate financing by 10pc
	<i>The News, September 20</i>		<i>Express Tribune, September 20</i>	<i>Dawn News, September 20</i>
			Power demand slumps 17% in Augt	British Council to offer climate action funding to artists, cultural organisations
			<i>Express Tribune, September 20</i>	<i>The News, September 20</i>
			Govt invites Chinese enterprises to invest in Pakistan's energy, petroleum sectors	
			<i>Pakistan Today, September 20</i>	
			Senate body reviews overbilling, electricity theft, data variation in power sector	
			<i>Pakistan Today, September 20</i>	
			Govt is free to cancel KE's licence if it can supply power to city, CEO tells PA members	
			<i>The News, September 20</i>	
			Power generation plummets 17.4pc	
			<i>The News, September 20</i>	
	Petroleum levy: a fifty billion rupees hole	Pakistan's power generation falls sharply amid rising costs, solarisation	August FCA: CPPA-G seeks Re0.57 per unit negative adjustment	'COP29 good opportunity for Pakistan to showcase its climate challenges'
	<i>Business Recorder, September 19</i>	<i>Business Recorder, September 19</i>	<i>Business Recorder, September 19</i>	<i>The News, September 19</i>
	EPA to seize low-grade fuel from factories		CPPA-G proposes Rs0.5755/unit refund	Dual threats
	<i>The News, September 19</i>		<i>Express Tribune, September 19</i>	<i>The News, September 19</i>
	Shareholder raises concerns over Shell Pakistan's sale to Wafi Energy: report		Power generation drops 17% in August, capacity charges expected to rise	SC seeks summary on authority for climate change
	<i>The News, September 19</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, September 19</i>	<i>The News, September 19</i>
	Pakistan okays construction of white oil pipeline project		Power firms seek to refund Rs7.2bn	
	<i>The News, September 19</i>		<i>Dawn News, September 19</i>	
			Suki Kinari Hydropower Project ready to be added to national grid: official	
			<i>The News, September 19</i>	
			K-Electric welcomes competition in Karachi's energy sector	
			<i>The News, September 19</i>	
			Power consumers to see 2nd consecutive bill cut in October	
			<i>The News, September 19</i>	

	POL imports up by 22.73% in two months		Utility confusion	
	<i>Pakistan Today, September 18</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, September 18</i>	
	Pakistan set to commence construction on White Oil Pipeline Project		Legal proceedings initiated against three IPPs over power restoration delays	
	<i>Pakistan Today, September 18</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, September 18</i>	
	Pakistan's oil import bill jumps 23% in first two months of FY2024-25			
	<i>Pakistan Today, September 18</i>			
	Minority shareholder files complaint against Shell Pakistan's sale to Wafi Energy			
	<i>Pakistan Today, September 18</i>			
	Jul-Aug petroleum group's imports witness 22.73pc growth	Chinese firm to build charging stations for electric vehicles	CCP issues notices to steel suppliers over Discos' tenders	
	<i>Business Recorder, September 17</i>	<i>The News, September 17</i>	<i>Dawn News, September 17</i>	
	PM discusses petroleum investment with Gunvor		Nepra initiates legal proceedings against three IPPs over supply lapse	
	<i>Dawn News, September 17</i>		<i>Dawn News, September 17</i>	
	Oil imports surge 23pc in July-August		Demand for power tariff relief: Road to Tarbela Power House blocked in protest	
	<i>Dawn News, September 17</i>		<i>The News, September 17</i>	
	Indecision holds up crucial refinery upgrades		Reply sought on plea for FIR against KE over loadshedding	
	<i>The News, September 17</i>		<i>The News, September 17</i>	
	SSGC appoints Muhammad Amin Rajput acting MD, CEO		Revision of IPPs contracts should be included in constitutional amendment draft: PBF	
	<i>The News, September 17</i>		<i>The News, September 17</i>	
	Petrol price cut by Rs10, HSD's by Rs13.06	India set to add record solar, wind capacity by March 2025	Power tariffs: Taking the cashflow approach	AI is 'accelerating the climate crisis', expert warns
	<i>Business Recorder, September 16</i>	<i>Express Tribune, September 16</i>	<i>Business Recorder, September 16</i>	<i>Dawn News, September 16</i>
	Sui Southern Gas Company appoints Amin Rajput as acting CEO, MD	Power Division halts net metering tariff reforms amid public pressure	IPP: missing the forest for the trees	Melting glaciers
	<i>Business Recorder, September 16</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, September 16</i>	<i>Business Recorder, September 16</i>	<i>Dawn News, September 16</i>
	Gunvor Group keen to invest in petroleum sector, says Pakistan govt		Clean energy's billion-dollar race	Climate crisis
	<i>Business Recorder, September 16</i>		<i>Express Tribune, September 16</i>	<i>Dawn News, September 16</i>

	Govt cuts petrol by Rs10, HSD by Rs13.06 per litre		Essential Services Act enforced in power sector to avert protests ahead of privatisation	
	<i>Pakistan Today, September 16</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, September 16</i>	<i>T</i>
	Gunvor Group eyes investment in Pakistan's petroleum sector, confirms government		16 arrested, 150 booked for power theft	
	<i>Pakistan Today, September 16</i>		<i>The News, September 16</i>	
	Petrol price slashed by Rs10, diesel by Rs13.06 per litre		Privatisation of power sector entities: Essential Services Act enforced to bar employees from protests	
	<i>Pakistan Today, September 16</i>		<i>The News, September 16</i>	
	Fourth consecutive reduction: Petrol price slashed by Rs10 per litre, diesel by Rs13.06			
	<i>The News, September 16</i>			

Percentage of media coverage given to energy sector

