



# Weekly Media Monitor

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

- ➔ Federal power minister Awais Leghari reveals that Pakistan is planning to renegotiate its energy sector deals with China, with the objective to reprofile the debt owed to China and change the source of coal for Chinese-owned power plants from foreign to local.
- ➔ The federal government announces the revival of Kohala hydropower project in Azad Kashmir with an extended completion deadline of three years. The project will have the capacity to produce 1.1 gigawatts of electricity at a price tag of 2.5 billion US dollars.
- ➔ Petroleum product prices see a steep decline in the last 45 days owing to lower international market prices.
- ➔ The federal power ministry is reported to be preparing draft standards for electric vehicle charging stations.

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
		<a href="#">Revolutionary solar coating turns phone cases, EVs into mini power generators</a> <i>Express Tribune, August 25</i>	<a href="#">Traders to go on nationwide strike on August 28 to protest high electricity costs</a> <i>Express Tribune, August 25</i>	<a href="#">Low-carbon energy storage initiative launched</a> <i>The News, August 25</i>
		<a href="#">Envisioning electric dreams on four wheels</a> <i>Express Tribune, August 25</i>	<a href="#">Govt recovers Rs108bn in nationwide power theft crackdown</a> <i>Pakistan Today, August 25</i>	
		<a href="#">KP govt to equip over 1000 madaris with free solar panels</a> <i>Pakistan Today, August 25</i>	<a href="#">Govt gears up for review of Chinese IPP contracts with debt reprofiling, coal sourcing: Leghari</a> <i>Pakistan Today, August 25</i>	
			<a href="#">Punjab power subsidy</a> <i>Business Recorder, August 25</i>	
			<a href="#">Power price cut</a> <i>The News, August 25</i>	

<a href="#">Coal miner killed in Duki</a>	<a href="#">Petrol, diesel prices expected to drop by Rs5-6 per litre</a>	<a href="#">Brazil's grid caps power from wind and solar, threatening renewable projects</a>	<a href="#">Energy crisis byproduct of poor administration?</a>	
Dawn News, August 24	Pakistan Today, August 24	The News, August 24	Pakistan Today, August 24	
	<a href="#">Petrol, diesel set for third straight fortnightly cut</a>	<a href="#">Pakistan's energy crisis fuels a solar boom</a>	<a href="#">Former caretaker minister steps up criticism of IPPs</a>	
	Dawn News, August 24	The News, August 24	Business Recorder, August 24	
	<a href="#">PD discusses amended E&amp;P policy 2012, its implementation today</a>		<a href="#">KP govt hints at establishing its 'EPRA'</a>	
	The News, August 24		Business Recorder, August 24	
			<a href="#">Hike in electricity charges: KATI concerned over Nepra's approval</a>	
			Business Recorder, August 24	
			<a href="#">Power minister wants provinces to take lead in giving subsidy</a>	
			Business Recorder, August 24	
			<a href="#">Chinese IPPs debt: Panel formed to negotiate repayment over three years</a>	
			The News, August 24	
	<a href="#">PRL hits production records and sees profit surge in FY 2023-24</a>		<a href="#">Power sector's antidote</a>	<a href="#">Environmental group lawsuit accuses Finland govt of climate inaction</a>
	The News, August 23		Business Recorder, August 23	Business Recorder, August 23
	<a href="#">Engro Corp's half-year profit down 43pc</a>		<a href="#">Engro announces strong results for first half</a>	<a href="#">Data gap hits climate response in Asia-Pacific</a>
	The News, August 23		Business Recorder, August 23	Dawn News, August 23
	<a href="#">Oil industry criticizes Ogra for persistent high-speed diesel imports</a>		<a href="#">Rs33bn incremental subsidy on electricity: KATI president concerned over delay in release</a>	<a href="#">Climate and trade</a>
	The News, August 23		Business Recorder, August 23	Dawn News, August 23
	<a href="#">Gas line pack again swells to over 5bcf</a>		<a href="#">KE seeks to extract another Rs6.2bn</a>	
	The News, August 23		Dawn News, August 23	

			<a href="#">Khanpur dam: Court bars TMA from collection of taxes</a>	
			<i>The News, August 23</i>	
			<a href="#">Pakistan's 'zombie' power sector straining the economy: Atif Mian</a>	
			<i>The News, August 23</i>	
			<a href="#">K-Electric seeks Rs3.09/unit hike in Dec bills</a>	
			<i>The News, August 23</i>	
<a href="#">Four illegal mines sealed in Mansehra</a>	<a href="#">Govt to auction 20 offshore blocks for oil and gas exploration</a>	<a href="#">Australia greenlights world's 'largest' solar hub</a>	<a href="#">Another power price hike on the cards as K-Electric files tariff increase request</a>	<a href="#">Climate resilience measures in a warming World</a>
<i>The News, August 22</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, August 22</i>	<i>Dawn News, August 22</i>	<i>Express Tribune, August 22</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, August 22</i>
	<a href="#">SNGPL's shareholders approve 45pc cash dividend for FY 2022-23</a>		<a href="#">JI chief demands permanent electricity bill relief, calls for audit of IPPs</a>	<a href="#">Climate change: OICCI highlights private sector's role</a>
	<i>Business Recorder, August 22</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, August 22</i>	<i>Business Recorder, August 22</i>
	<a href="#">Crackdown on illegal petrol agencies in ICT, 2 held, 9 sealed</a>		<a href="#">Karachi to get higher electricity bills in October and November as Nepra greenlights KE's hike</a>	<a href="#">Addressing carbon footprint is must to safeguard investment: OICCI</a>
	<i>The News, August 22</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, August 22</i>	<i>The News, August 22</i>
	<a href="#">SNGPL approves Rs4.5/share cash dividend for FY23</a>		<a href="#">Karachiites may face another hike in power price</a>	<a href="#">Climate resilience</a>
	<i>The News, August 22</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, August 22</i>	<i>The News, August 22</i>
	<a href="#">Pakistan to auction 20 offshore blocks for oil, gas exploration</a>		<a href="#">Power: Stagnant generation</a>	
	<i>The News, August 22</i>		<i>Business Recorder, August 22</i>	
	<a href="#">1,263MW power plant at Trimmu: PTPL seeks tariff of 6.5 cents per unit on RLNG, 11.4 cents per unit on HSD</a>		<a href="#">Oct and Nov bills: KE allowed Rs5.76/unit positive adjustment</a>	
	<i>The News, August 22</i>		<i>Business Recorder, August 22</i>	
			<a href="#">Pakistan's 'zombie power sector sucking the blood out of healthy firms': Atif Mian</a>	
			<i>Business Recorder, August 22</i>	

			<a href="#">The govt-owned IPPs</a>	
			<i>Business Recorder, August 22</i>	
			<a href="#">K-Electric: there's no reason for complacency</a>	
			<i>Business Recorder, August 22</i>	
			<a href="#">The power sector</a>	
			<i>Business Recorder, August 22</i>	
			<a href="#">Powering the future</a>	
			<i>The News, August 22</i>	
			<a href="#">Karachiites to pay higher electricity bills in Oct, Nov</a>	
			<i>The News, August 22</i>	
			<a href="#">Four Disco boards dissolved</a>	
			<i>The News, August 22</i>	
	<a href="#">Why govt can't offer cheaper gas? Minister explains</a>	<a href="#">Solar firm clears key condition for Japanese market entry</a>	<a href="#">NEPRA hikes electricity rates for Karachi by Rs5.75 per unit</a>	
	<i>Express Tribune, August 21</i>	<i>Express Tribune, August 21</i>	<i>Express Tribune, August 21</i>	
	<a href="#">Punjab opposes LPG policy incentives</a>	<a href="#">KE set to double country's solar capacity: Bloomberg</a>	<a href="#">Maryam Nawaz takes jibe at Sindh CM's criticism of Punjab's electricity relief</a>	
	<i>Express Tribune, August 21</i>	<i>Business Recorder, August 21</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, August 21</i>	
	<a href="#">Oil sector warns of refinery disruptions</a>	<a href="#">Australia approves world's 'largest' solar hub</a>	<a href="#">No contribution from Centre to Punjab's electricity relief, PM clarifies</a>	
	<i>The News, August 21</i>	<i>Business Recorder, August 21</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, August 21</i>	
	<a href="#">Gas tariff to remain unchanged until Dec-Jan: Musadik</a>	<a href="#">Solar PV manufacturing policy need of hour: experts</a>	<a href="#">'FCA for May and June': Power tariff for Karachiites goes up Rs5.76 per unit</a>	
	<i>The News, August 21</i>	<i>The News, August 21</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, August 21</i>	
			<a href="#">Power politics</a>	
			<i>Pakistan Today, August 21</i>	
			<a href="#">Privatization of three DISCOs advances, international advertisements launched</a>	
			<i>Pakistan Today, August 21</i>	

			<a href="#">Pakistan to revive stalled 1,124MW Kohala Hydropower Project after a three-year delay</a>	
			<i>Pakistan Today, August 21</i>	
			<a href="#">Tariff differential: KE could be allowed to claim mark-up at KIBOR+3.5pc if...</a>	
			<i>Business Recorder, August 21</i>	
			<a href="#">Kohala plant back on track after 3-year delay</a>	
			<i>Dawn News, August 21</i>	
			<a href="#">Punjab's 'power move' riles political spectrum</a>	
			<i>Dawn News, August 21</i>	
			<a href="#">Lesco punishes five employees over poor performance</a>	
			<i>The News, August 21</i>	
			<a href="#">Tessori urges Murad to provide relief in power tariff</a>	
			<i>The News, August 21</i>	
			<a href="#">'Lowering power tariff in just one province means nothing'</a>	
			<i>The News, August 21</i>	
			<a href="#">Govt expedites Discos' privatisation</a>	
			<i>The News, August 21</i>	
			<a href="#">PM advises provinces to announce 'power' relief</a>	
			<i>The News, August 21</i>	
			<a href="#">Keeping power sector financially viable a challenge: task force member</a>	
			<i>The News, August 21</i>	
	<a href="#">No change in gas prices until winter</a>	<a href="#">Power Division prepares draft standards for electric vehicle charging stations</a>	<a href="#">Punjab's electricity relief not funded by Centre, clarifies PM Shehbaz</a>	<a href="#">Climate Migration</a>
	<i>Pakistan Today, August 20</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, August 20</i>	<i>Express Tribune, August 20</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, August 20</i>

	<a href="#">Pakistan's oil reserves surge 26% as OGDC and MARI report significant upgrades</a>	<a href="#">K-Electric's solar projects in Balochistan achieve record-low tariff bid</a>	<a href="#">PM Shehbaz set to deliver 'powerful' news on IPPs within two months, says minister</a>	<a href="#">Govt mobilising resources to introduce urban environmental initiatives</a>
	<i>Pakistan Today, August 20</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, August 20</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, August 20</i>	<i>The News, August 20</i>
	<a href="#">SSGC removes 557 illegal connections</a>	<a href="#">Bid for 150MW solar project</a>	<a href="#">Pakistan's electricity is the most expensive in the region, confirms Energy Minister</a>	
	<i>The News, August 20</i>	<i>Dawn News, August 20</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, August 20</i>	
	<a href="#">POL reports hydrocarbon discovery in KP</a>	<a href="#">KE opens financial bids for 150MW solar project</a>	<a href="#">Punjab power politics</a>	
	<i>The News, August 20</i>	<i>The News, August 20</i>	<i>Business Recorder, August 20</i>	
		<a href="#">Standards for EVs charging stations drafted</a>	<a href="#">Panel seeks regional tariff comparisons</a>	
		<i>The News, August 20</i>	<i>Dawn News, August 20</i>	
			<a href="#">Independent power producers enjoyed tax breaks of Rs1.2tr since 1990</a>	
			<i>Dawn News, August 20</i>	
			<a href="#">Tarbela filled to full conservation capacity</a>	
			<i>Dawn News, August 20</i>	
			<a href="#">Senate devolution body agrees to abolish industry, energy ministries</a>	
			<i>Dawn News, August 20</i>	
			<a href="#">Iesco recovers Rs3,949.27m from defaulters</a>	
			<i>The News, August 20</i>	
			<a href="#">KCCI urges govt to introduce electricity bill relief for Sindh</a>	
			<i>The News, August 20</i>	
			<a href="#">Power generation rises 10.5pc MoM</a>	
			<i>The News, August 20</i>	
			<a href="#">Two-month power subsidy in Punjab aimed at political mileage: Ghani</a>	
			<i>The News, August 20</i>	

	<a href="#">Pakistan's oil output dropped by 25% during past decade: PPIS</a>	<a href="#">Solar tubewells — a double-edged sword</a>	<a href="#">After Punjab, Islamabad also gets relief in power bills</a>	<a href="#">Climate Change means we no longer understand our weather patterns</a>
	<i>Express Tribune, August 19</i>	<i>Dawn News, August 19</i>	<i>Express Tribune, August 19</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, August 19</i>
	<a href="#">Pakistan's crude oil and gas production decline significantly over past decade</a>	<a href="#">Applications of AI in the renewable power sector</a>	<a href="#">JI warns of protests if power tariff cuts are limited to Punjab</a>	<a href="#">Climate activists block cruise ship arriving in Amsterdam</a>
	<i>Pakistan Today, August 19</i>	<i>Business Recorder, August 19</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, August 19</i>	<i>Business Recorder, August 19</i>
	<a href="#">Hydrocarbons discovered in Tal block in Kohat district</a>		<a href="#">Tarbela Dam reaches full capacity, boosting agriculture and energy sectors</a>	<a href="#">Climate activists delay cruise ship arriving in Amsterdam</a>
	<i>Pakistan Today, August 19</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, August 19</i>	<i>Dawn News, August 19</i>
	<a href="#">Petroleum imports snapshot</a>		<a href="#">MQM-P calls for electricity bill relief in sindh, citing Punjab's example</a>	<a href="#">COP in Pakistan</a>
	<i>Business Recorder, August 19</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, August 19</i>	<i>Dawn News, August 19</i>
	<a href="#">Pakistan Oilfields announces significant hydrocarbon find in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa</a>		<a href="#">Turning crisis into opportunity</a>	<a href="#">Chilling reality: melting glaciers endanger northern KP</a>
	<i>Business Recorder, August 19</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, August 19</i>	<i>The News, August 19</i>
			<a href="#">Soaring Utility Bills</a>	<a href="#">‘Sukkur, Larkana once again bearing brunt of climate change effects’</a>
			<i>Pakistan Today, August 19</i>	<i>The News, August 19</i>
			<a href="#">Pakistan's power system: challenges and solutions</a>	<a href="#">President for increasing national forest cover to mitigate climate change impacts</a>
			<i>Business Recorder, August 19</i>	<i>The News, August 19</i>
			<a href="#">Harnessing flood energy</a>	<a href="#">Apocalyptic heat</a>
			<i>Dawn News, August 19</i>	<i>The News, August 19</i>
			<a href="#">Explaining power crisis</a>	
			<i>Dawn News, August 19</i>	
			<a href="#">Corruption in power sector to be dealt with severely: PM</a>	
			<i>Dawn News, August 19</i>	
			<a href="#">Tessori appeals to Sindh govt to subsidise electricity tariff</a>	
			<i>The News, August 19</i>	
			<a href="#">PM directs provinces to curb power theft</a>	
			<i>The News, August 19</i>	

## Percentage of media coverage given to energy sector

