




Weekly Media Monitor

March 10th - March 16th, 2025

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

- ➔ A dispute erupts between two trading companies over an allegedly illegal coal supply contract for Port Qasim Electric Power Company, prompting calls for accountability and government intervention.
- ➔ The government reduces buyback rate for net metered electricity from 27 rupees to 10 rupees per unit.
- ➔ International Monetary Fund (IMF) expresses concerns over delays in the privatisation of electricity distribution companies (DISCOs).

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
Energy firms locked in row over coal supply	Oil marketing companies warn of collapse over forced refinery quotas	Solarisation Scheme: 32,500 households to receive solar systems in first phase: Saif	Circular Debt Déjà Vu	Bold climate targets face cash crunch reality
<i>The Express Tribune, March 11, 2025</i>	<i>DAWN, March 10, 2025</i>	<i>The News, March 11, 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, March 10, 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, March 10, 2025</i>
Thar Foundation recognised for CSR initiatives in Thar Block II	Govt mulls higher petrol levy amid revenue shortfalls	Pakistan's solar bet: Can it break free from imports?	Pakistan, IMF begin policy-level talks for \$1b tranche	Pakistan among worst countries for air pollution in 2024
<i>Business Recorder, March 13, 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, March 12, 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, March 11, 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, March 10, 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, March 11, 2025</i>
Thar coal-fired energy 'cheaper than hydropower'	OMC sector posts 39% earnings growth in 1HFY25 despite lower sales	Govt revises solar net-metering buyback rate to Rs10 per unit	KE challenges Nepra over high fuel cost allegations	UN climate summits must deliver on promises'
<i>Dawn, March 14th 2025</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, March 14,2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, March 11, 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, March 10, 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, March 11, 2025</i>
	Ring-fenced RLNG rates: APTMA seeks PM's help for gas to captive sector	Solarisation of tube wells: Meeting reviews progress	Power tariffs fall at last	Pakistan third most polluted country
	<i>Business Recorder, March 15, 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, March 13,2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, March 11,2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, March 12, 2025</i>
	Pakistan diverts third LNG cargo as gas demand declines	Businessmen slam wind power curtailment	Electricity conundrum	Pakistan third most polluted country
	<i>Pakistan Today, March 15, 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, March 13, 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, March 11, 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, March 12, 2025</i>
		Net-metering in Pakistan: A solution for clean energy or a grid crisis?	IMF agrees to govt's proposal for electricity price reduction	Firms that issue green bonds better at tackling emissions, study shows
		<i>Business Recorder, March 14, 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, March 11, 2025</i>	<i>The News, March 13, 2024</i>

			IMF amenable to idea of cut in power tariff	Trump cuts environment programme for low-income, minority communities
			<i>The News, March 12, 2025</i>	<i>The News, March 13, 2025</i>
			Govt hikes tariff for captive plants on IMF prodding	Unforgivable negligence
			<i>Dawn, March 12, 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, March 15, 2025</i>
			IMF amenable to idea of cut in power tariff	
			<i>The News, March 12, 2025</i>	
			Buyback tariff of solar rooftop consumers slashed to Rs10 per unit	
			<i>The News, March 12, 2025</i>	
			SIFC greenlights \$28b investment projects	
			<i>The Express Tribune, March 12, 2025</i>	
			Govt reduces buyback rate for solar net-metering electricity to Rs10 per unit	
			<i>Business Recorder, March 13, 2025</i>	
			Power sector faces underutilisation challenges: report	
			<i>The News, March 13, 2025</i>	
			Circular debt decreased by Rs9bn, NA told	
			<i>The News, March 13, 2025</i>	
			KE submits negative FCA adjustment request for Jan	
			<i>Business Recorder, March 13, 2025</i>	
			Pakistan's power sector struggles with low capacity utilisation despite reforms: report	
			<i>Pakistan Today, March 13, 2025</i>	
			ECC approves amendments to net-metering regulations, cuts buyback rate to Rs10/unit	
			<i>Dawn, March 13, 2025</i>	
			Net metering consumers: ECC lowers buyback rates to Rs10 per unit	
			<i>Business Recorder, March 14, 2025</i>	
			Solar users face higher costs as policy revised	
			<i>Dawn, March 14, 2025</i>	

			Rooftop solar buyback rate slashed to Rs10 per unit	
			<i>The News, March 14, 2025</i>	
			IMF terms \$7bn loan programme implementation 'strong' as review comes to an end	
			<i>Dawn, March 15, 2025</i>	
			Revised solar policy	
			<i>Dawn, March 15, 2025</i>	
			Power firms seek to refund 30 paise for February	
			<i>Dawn, March 15, 2025</i>	
			Govt eyes next IMF tranche as review wraps up	
			<i>Dawn, March 15, 2025</i>	
			Power sector: resolution of circular debt in sight	
			<i>Business Recorder, March 15, 2025</i>	
			CPPA-G seeks 30 paise negative adjustment for Feb	
			<i>Business Recorder, March 15, 2025</i>	
			Discos seek minor reduction in power tariff despite lower fuel costs	
			<i>Pakistan Today, March 15,2025</i>	
			Govt, banks move closer to deal on Rs1.23 trillion power sector debt resolution: report	
			<i>Pakistan Today, March 15, 2025</i>	
			Power consumers to get minor relief in April bills	
			<i>The News, March 15, 2025</i>	
			Power sector: resolution of circular debt in sight	
			<i>Business Recorder, March 15, 2025</i>	
			Major relief in electricity bills on the cards	
			<i>The News, March 16,2025</i>	
			Cut in power rates: PM to announce package	
			<i>Business Recorder, March 16,2025</i>	
			Govt trades cheaper petrol for power relief	
			<i>The Express Tribune, March 16, 2025</i>	

Percentage of media coverage given to energy sector

