

Weekly Media Monitor

April 14th - April 20th, 2025

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

- Pakistan becomes top global solar importer in 2024 with imports of 17 gigawatts of solar capacity.
- The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) proposes 51.5 billion rupees relief for electricity consumers through quarterly adjustments in electricity bills.
- The World Bank seeks new investments in Pakistan through public-private partnerships, focusing on energy and digital infrastructure.
- Disagreement persists between the Power Division and K-Electric over the interpretation of meeting minutes concerning the Jamshoro Power Plant's conversion to Thar coal.

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
Conversion of Jamshoro Plant to local Thar coal: PD-KE dispute remains unresolved	Gas shortage	Here's how Pakistan quietly became world's biggest solar importer	Nepra under fire over rigid appeal policy	April heat
<i>Business Recorder, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, 14th April 2025</i>
China's March coal imports sink 6% as domestic prices slide	Pakistan plans 10% crude oil and petrol import from US to mitigate tariff impact: report	Green meters push PESCO toward bankruptcy	Reforming structural dysfunction	Destructive projects
<i>Business Recorder, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, 15th April 2025</i>
Special measures sought for safety of Shangla miners	Pakistan's oil and gas reserves see first growth since 2020	From crisis to clean energy: Pakistan emerges as top solar market in 2024	PMIF25 lays groundwork for new era of mining	South Punjab among areas facing drought
<i>Dawn, 17th April 2025</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, 16th April 2025</i>
Power generation rises 5% to 8,409 GWh in March, 62% produced from local coal	Minister for innovative solutions in gas supply chain	Pakistan quietly becomes world's biggest solar importer: Here's how	WB looks to new investments under PPP model	Carbon markets with a gendered lens
<i>Pakistan Today, 17th April 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, 15th April 2025</i>	<i>The News, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, 15th April 2025</i>	<i>The News, 16th April 2025</i>
Thar's people: impoverished in a land of plenty	Pakistan mulls 'US oil imports'	Pakistan joins global shift toward renewable energy sources	Power outages irk Mansehra residents	Change for climate
<i>The Express Tribune, 20th April</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, 16th April 2025</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, 14th April 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, 15th April 2025</i>	<i>The News, 16th April 2025</i>
	Stranded gas, strangled industry	Solar revolution	Wapda justifies Dasu project's cost escalation	Ahsan urges experts to identify factors behind economic downside

	Business Recorder, 16th April 2025	The Express Tribune, 14th April, 2025	Dawn, 15th April 2025	Business Recorder, 16th April 2025
	Petrol and HSD: Govt to raise PL beyond permitted limit	This is how Pakistan quietly became world's biggest solar importer: report	IMF assured: Power, gas subsidies will be aligned with BISP	Promoting circular economy through trade of used textiles highlighted
	Business Recorder, 17th April 2025	The News, 15th April, 2025	Business Recorder, 15th April 2025	Dawn, 17th April 2025
	Petroleum supply hit as refineries face crisis	KE's centralized solar projects gain strong backing amid promises of billions in national savings	RLNG prices revised	Climate change lowers Pakistan's mango produce by 20pc
	Dawn, 18th April 2025	Pakistan Today, 15th April 2025	The Express Tribune, 15th April 2025	Pakistan Today, 17th April 2025
	No petrol relief	Industry backs early approval of solar projects	Wapda justifies Rs1.74trn cost surge in Dasu project, cites rupee depreciation, security concerns	Punjab CM launches first-ever 'Environment Protection Force'
	The Express Tribune, 18th April 2025	The Express Tribune, 16th April 2025	Pakistan Today, 15th April 2025	Business Recorder, 17th April 2025
		Renewable energy push: Nepra may approve tariff of KE's 2 PV solar projects	Pakistan's trade deficit with Middle East rises to \$9.35 billion due to surge in oil imports	Paying the price
		Business Recorder, 16th April 2025	Pakistan Today, 15th April 2025	Dawn, 18th April 2025
		Nepra cuts EV charging tariff by 45%, backs cross-subsidy plan	Int'l oil prices drop to mitigate Trump's tariffs impact on Pakistan: SBP governor	Pakistan committed to UN SDGs: Minister
		The News, 16th April 2025	The News, 15th April 2025	Business Recorder, 18th April 2025
		Uncertainty clouds solar sector	Engro Powergen Qadirpur's Q1 profit drops 34% as finance income plunges	Inculcating ICTs for climate-resilient agriculture amid climate variability
		The Express Tribune, 18th April 2025	Pakistan Today, 15th April 2025	Business Recorder, 18th April 2025
		International Finance Corporation to help develop market for electric vehicles	Power Division applauds Pesco performance	Severe weather conditions to persist
		Dawn, 19th April 2025	Dawn, 16th April 2025	The Express Tribune, 18th April 2025
		Shining a light on Pakistan's solar boom	Paltry rise in electricity demand in March	NEPRA questions audit independence
		The Express Tribune, 20th April 2025	Dawn, 16th April 2025	The Express Tribune, 18th April 2025
			Savings from lower oil prices diverted to Balochistan projects	Pakistan to prioritise climate-friendly projects in development plans
			Dawn, 16th April 2025	The News, 18th April 2025
			Fuel price relief 'denied' as govt raises levy to Rs80	Climate risk spurs insurance need
			Dawn, 16th April 2025	The Express Tribune, 20th April 2025
			Hydel project mismanagement infuriates Public Accounts Committee	
			Dawn, 16th April 2025	

			Consumers to see Rs51.5b power tariff relief	
			<i>The Express Tribune, 16th April 2025</i>	
			Petrol prices to remain unchanged for next 15 days	
			<i>The Express Tribune, 16th April 2025</i>	
			Rs1.275trn loan to tackle circular debt: CPPA-G likely to sign term sheets with 18 banks	
			<i>Business Recorder, 16th April 2025</i>	
			Power tariffs: Surcharges will stay for much longer	
			<i>Business Recorder, 16th April 2025</i>	
			APTMA urges govt to re-evaluate grid levy on industrial CPPs	
			<i>Business Recorder, 16th April 2025</i>	
			‘Transaction being executed’: Sapphire Fibres advances with acquisition of 50% shares in UCH, UCH-II	
			<i>Business Recorder, 16th April 2025</i>	
			Power distributors seek Rs51.5bn refund for consumers on lower capacity costs	
			<i>The News, 16th April 2025</i>	
			KE urges Nepra not to pass on full benefit of fall in fuel cost to consumers	
			<i>Dawn, 17th April 2025</i>	
			Kuwait extends oil credit facility for two years	
			<i>Dawn, 17th April 2025</i>	
			Baggasse-fired IPPs: Nepra set to approve 60% hike in FCC	
			<i>Business Recorder, 17th April 2025</i>	
			Move aims at facilitating businesses: KE agrees to share FCAs projections with regulator	
			<i>Business Recorder, 17th April 2025</i>	
			Legit power sector losses	
			<i>Business Recorder, 17th April 2025</i>	
			Revised terms rejected: Nepra hiring firm to conduct Halmore’s forensic audit	
			<i>Business Recorder, 17th April 2025</i>	

			K-Electric comes under fire on Rs76bn write-offs	
			<i>Business Recorder, 18th April 2025</i>	
			Oil import bill falls to \$11.9bn	
			<i>Dawn, 18th April 2025</i>	
			Govt-owned power plants request tariff reduction	
			<i>The Express Tribune, 19th April 2025</i>	
			Revised deal with four govt power plants to save around Rs1.6tr	
			<i>Dawn, 19th April 2025</i>	
			UAE deputy PM to visit Pakistan for talks on trade, energy, security	
			<i>The Express Tribune, 20th April 2025</i>	
			Fixing power sector before it sinks the economy	
			<i>Business Recorder, 18th April 2025</i>	
			4 GPPs ready switching to take-and-pay mode	
			<i>Business Recorder, 19th April 2025</i>	

Percentage of media coverage given to energy sector

