






Weekly Media Monitor

August 25th - August 31st, 2025

This week's major news updates in Pakistan's energy and climate sectors:

- ➡ Pakistan clears over 100 billion rupees out of the money owed to Chinese power producers, reducing outstanding payments to them by nearly 25 percent.
- ➡ The federal government launches New Energy Vehicle Policy 2025-2030, stipulating that electric vehicles will be 30 percent of all vehicles sold in Pakistan by 2030.
- ➡ Pakistan's lithium-ion battery imports from China surge 68 percent in the first half of 2025 compared to all of 2024, as falling solar prices and rising electricity costs prompt rapid solar-plus-storage adoption.
- ➡ The latest edition of the Indicative Generation Capacity Expansion Plan (IGCEP) eliminates power projects of 7,967 megawatts for being too costly.

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
Pakistan clears Rs100 billion Chinese energy debt	RLNG consumption: PHC stays imposition of cost actualisation charges	Unlocking renewable energy opportunities	Energy poverty — a crisis of access, not supply	Early monsoon, extreme heat behind widespread devastation: climate expert
Express Tribune, 25 August 2025	Business Recorder, 25 August 2025	Dawn, 25 August 2025	Dawn, 25 August 2025	Dawn, 26 August 2025
Govt clears Rs100b Chinese debt before PM's visit	Pakistan wants 177 Qatari LNG cargoes deferred over five years	PM Shehbaz launches New Energy Vehicle Policy 2025-30	Govt moves to ease Gwadar power woes	Little evidence of any of the govts being prepared to deal with the rage of climate change
Express Tribune, 26 August 2025	The News, 25 August 2025	Pakistan Today, 26 August 2025	Express Tribune, 25 August 2025	Dawn, 26 August 2025
	Circular debt plan: OGDCL receives Rs7.73bn second interest payment	Pakistan's new Energy Vehicle policy launched	Pakistan clears Rs100 billion Chinese energy debt	Editorial: Floods can no longer be dismissed as merely a by-product of climate change
	Business Recorder, 26 August 2025	Express Tribune, 27 August 2025	The Express Tribune, 25 August 2025	Dawn, 27 August 2025
	Private sector rejects 50% gas tariff hike	100 more electric buses to arrive in 'a few weeks': Punjab CM	Nepra holds talks on issues facing power sector	Women's role key to sustainable development: Sarfraz Bugti
	The News, 26 August 2025	Business Recorder, 27 August 2025	Business Recorder, 26 August 2025	Dawn, 28 August 2025
	Industry opposes 50% gas tariff rise	Centre owes Rs74b to K-P in net hydel profit	Discos, KE: ECC clears mechanism to pass benefit of PL from CPPs on to consumers	Federal govt seeks provincial data on deforestation amid worsening climate crisis
	The Express Tribune, 26 August 2025	Express Tribune, 27 August 2025	Business Recorder, 27 August 2025	Pakistan Today, 28 August 2025

	Govt approves Rs47bn petroleum levy recovery, Rs11bn PTV bailout	Gwadar port to be shifted to solar power	Nepra working on 'single system operator' framework	Climate injustice
	<i>Dawn, 27 August 2025</i>	<i>Express Tribune, 28 August 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, 27 August 2025</i>	<i>Express Tribune, 29 August 2025</i>
	SIFC, ECC clear refinery dues to unlock \$6b investment	Sazgar unveils Rs11.5b plan to double output by 2026	Power dues worth Rs623m recovered	Disaster foresight
	<i>Express Tribune, 28 August 2025</i>	<i>Express Tribune, 28 August 2025</i>	<i>Express Tribune, 27 August 2025</i>	<i>The News, 29 August 2025</i>
	Govt to ponder giving RLNG-based gas connections to domestic consumers	Pakistan unveils \$55bn power plan to go green, cut fuel imports	Gwadar port to be powered via solar energy in bid to enhance efficiency: minister	University of Turbat hosts climate awareness event
	<i>The News, 29 August 2025</i>	<i>The News, 29 August 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, 27 August 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, August 30, 2025</i>
	Ogra orders shift to digital payments	Electricity provision bound by party lines	Energy impasse: the governance trap	Our repetitive urban crisis
	<i>Dawn, 29 August 2025</i>	<i>Express Tribune, 30 August 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, 28 August 2025</i>	<i>The News, 31 August 2025</i>
	'Retrospective billing': PBF Lahore chapter assails SNGPL's approach	Blue economy projects in Gwadar poised to boost exports	Power sector: out of options	Centre sets up high-level panel to address climate disasters
	<i>Business Recorder, 29 August 2025</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, 31 August 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, 28 August 2025</i>	<i>The News, 31 August 2025</i>
	Power, gas supply partially restored in Mingora	Solar push sparks 68% rise in lithium battery imports	Demand rises but the grid stalls	Asian Development Bank to fund climate-resilient agriculture project
	<i>The News, 29 August 2025</i>	<i>The News, 31 August 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, 28 August 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, 31 August 2025</i>
	OGRA orders oil, gas sector to adopt digital payments		DISCOs told to ensure continuous power supply	Tourism in GB drops 90pc amid climate disasters, conflicts
	<i>Express Tribune, 29 August 2025</i>		<i>Express Tribune, 28 August 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, 31 August 2025</i>
	Industrial sector: PAC steps up pressure on Ogra, SNGPL for Rs51.3bn recovery		Demand rises but the grid stalls	
	<i>Business Recorder, 29 August 2025</i>		<i>Business Recorder, 28 August 2025</i>	
	US firms said to eye Pakistan oil after Trump's reserves claim: report		Over 200 feeders in flood-hit areas restored: Power Division	
	<i>The News, 29 August 2025</i>		<i>Express Tribune, 29 August 2025</i>	
	RLNG arrears recovery: PD-private sector 'alliance' takes on Ogra		NEPRA raps DISCOs over electrocution deaths	
	<i>Business Recorder, 29 August 2025</i>		<i>Express Tribune, 29 August 2025</i>	
	Ogra-determined rates: CCoE set to allow SNGPL, SSGCL to provide RLNG connections		Power tariff likely to slash by Rs1.69 per unit	
	<i>Business Recorder, 29 August 2025</i>		<i>Express Tribune, 29 August 2025</i>	
	MD SNGPL for ensuring uninterrupted gas supply		Rs23bn fuel refund on cards	
	<i>Business Recorder, 30 August 2025</i>		<i>Business Recorder, 29 August 2025</i>	

Percentage of media coverage given to energy sector

