

Weekly Media Monitor

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

- ➔ All Pakistan Textile Mills Association (APTMA) opposes the draft Indicative Generation Capacity Expansion Plan (IGCEP) 2025-35, citing flawed electricity demand forecasting and warning that the plan will result in stranded electrify generating capacity, tariffs hikes and further financial stress for the power sector.
- ➔ The federal government secures a deal with commercial banks, worth 1.225 trillion rupees, to reduce the electricity sector's circular debt burden.
- ➔ Lahore Electric Supply Company (Lesco) says floods caused 237.38 million rupees damage to its infrastructure and equipment.
- ➔ Korea South-East Power Company Limited (KOEN) sends a delegation to Islamabad to press for the inclusion of its two proposed hydropower projects in the Indicative Generation Capacity Expansion Plan (IGCEP) 2025-35.

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
Mining shadows on Thar's landscape Dawn, September 22, 2025	Three fertiliser plants: Pakistan govt allocates 222 MMCFD indigenous gas Business recorder, September 22, 2025	Solar paraphernalia risks environmental degradation Express Tribune, September 23, 2025	Electricity generation growth masks irrelevance Business recorder, September 22, 2025	Climate, costs cripple climbing in Pakistan Express tribune, September 22, 2025
Corridors of shared prosperity The News, September 26, 2025	SNGPL defers third-party pipeline capacity allocation Dawn, September 23, 2025	Two hydropower projects: KOEN sending another team to garner support Business recorder, September 23, 2025	Pakistan's power circular debt clocks in at Rs1.66tn Business recorder, September 22, 2025	Climate resilience termed key to sustainable progress Express tribune, September 22, 2025
Faulty coal & LNG policies Business recorder, September 28, 2025	Japan intends to invest in Reko Diq project Express Tribune, September 24, 2025	330MW HPPs in KP to start production in two years Business recorder, September 23, 2025	How rooftop solar is disrupting Pakistan's power grid Business recorder, September 23, 2025	Islamabad-Rawalpindi rail project to introduce eco-friendly electric trains Pakistan Today, September 24, 2025
	Oil and Gas Development Company Ltd earns Rs170bn Dawn, September 24, 2025	Top students given electric scooties Express Tribune, September 24, 2025	Two hydropower projects: KOEN sending another team to garner support Business recorder, September 23, 2025	PM Shehbaz calls on world to honour climate pledges, says loans are not solution Dawn, September 25, 2025
	Energyico orders second US oil cargo Dawn, September 25, 2025	Debt no cure for climate change woes, PM Shehbaz tells UN summit The News, September 25, 2025	Govt to sign financing facility agreement today for reducing power sector's circular debt Dawn, September 24, 2025	Debt no cure for climate change woes, PM Shehbaz tells UN summit The News, September 25, 2025

	Gas curtailment wipes off Rs43b from OGDC revenue	Pakistan, China set to launch CPEC Phase 2.0 with high-stakes dialogue today	Energy-saving codes enforced	Climate change to badly hit low-income earners, says ILO report
	<i>Express Tribune, September 25, 2025</i>	<i>The News, September 26, 2025</i>	<i>Express Tribune, September 24, 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, September 25, 2025</i>
	Gas curtailment wipes off Rs43b from OGDC revenue	SPL earns Rs2.2bn gross profit in 2024-25	Aurangzeb terms Rs1.2tr circular debt deal 'largest financing' in Pakistan's history	Punjab govt pursues SDG financing
	<i>Express Tribune, September 25, 2025</i>	<i>Business recorder, September 27, 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, September 25, 2025</i>	<i>Express tribune, September 25, 2025</i>
	RLNG charges levied by SNGPL: APTMA to hire audit firm for verification	Renewable energy: Denmark poised to launch 3-year 'SSC' from Jan 2026	Rs1.2tr bank loan secured to settle circular debt	PM Shehbaz urges global community to honour climate finance pledges
	<i>Business recorder, September 26, 2025</i>	<i>Business recorder, September 27, 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, September 25, 2025</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, September 26, 2025</i>
	Petroleum Division to discuss GST waiver with IMF	Pak-Saudi private-public co-operation	Circular debt financing deal: Will it benefit ordinary Pakistanis?	Pakistan seeks peace after decisive India defeat: PM at UNGA
	<i>Express Tribune, September 27, 2025</i>	<i>The News, September 28, 2025</i>	<i>Express Tribune, September 25, 2025</i>	<i>The News, September 26, 2025</i>
			Power sector drives rally on stock market	Ahsan Iqbal says BeiDou system can help Pakistan tackle climate disasters, drive CPEC growth
			<i>Dawn, September 25, 2025</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, September 26, 2025</i>
			Rs1.225trn deal inked to reduce power sector's CD	Comsats holds seminar on floods, climate change
			<i>Business recorder, September 25, 2025</i>	<i>Business recorder, September 26, 2025</i>
			NA panel slams unannounced power load-shedding	Why Pakistan, India must forge strategic climate partnership
			<i>Business recorder, September 25, 2025</i>	<i>Express tribune, September 27, 2025</i>
			Govt assures no extra burden on power consumers in Rs1.23tr debt plan	Pakistan, Iran, China, Russia urge Kabul to act against terror
			<i>Business recorder, September 25, 2025</i>	<i>The News, September 28, 2025</i>
			PM launches Rs1.2tr 'historic breakthrough' to wipe out energy circular debt	Don't just blame the climate
			<i>Pakistan Today, September 26, 2025</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, September 28, 2025</i>
			Overcoming circular debt	Why transparency matters
			<i>Express Tribune, September 26, 2025</i>	<i>The News, September 28, 2025</i>
			HESCO, SEPCO lose Rs60b in a year	
			<i>Express Tribune, September 26, 2025</i>	
			Lesco works out Rs237.38m worth of flood losses	
			<i>Dawn, September 26, 2025</i>	
			NEPRA imposes Rs975m fines on power firms	
			<i>Express Tribune, September 26, 2025</i>	

			FDI shift beyond energy trap urged	
			<i>Express Tribune, September 26, 2025</i>	
			Circular debt restructuring done, but the problem remains	
			<i>Business recorder, September 26, 2025</i>	
			Power market liberalisation	
			<i>Business recorder, September 26, 2025</i>	
			Step taken to eliminate energy circular debt	
			<i>Business recorder, September 26, 2025</i>	
			MoF welcomes resolution of Rs1.225trn CD issue	
			<i>Business recorder, September 26, 2025</i>	
			Fatal accidents: DISCOs pay only 7pc of fines	
			<i>Business recorder, September 26, 2025</i>	
			Can power sector finally turn a corner?	
			<i>Business recorder, September 26, 2025</i>	
			MYT for 2022-23 to 2024-25: Three-fold UoSCs hike by NGCP draws Nepra's concerns	
			<i>Business recorder, September 26, 2025</i>	
			Despite debt cut, risks to linger with Chinese IPPs	
			<i>Dawn, September 27, 2025</i>	
			Govt vows to end circular debt in six years	
			<i>Express Tribune, September 27, 2025</i>	
			IMF seeks Pakistan's plan to reduce power theft, losses amid bailout review	
			<i>Express Tribune, September 27, 2025</i>	
			APTMA opposes approval of IGCEP 2025-35 in current form	
			<i>Business recorder, September 27, 2025</i>	
			Circular debt stock brought down to Rs1.614trn: Leghari	
			<i>Business recorder, September 27, 2025</i>	

			Renewable energy: Denmark poised to launch 3-year 'SSC' from Jan 2026	
			<i>Business recorder, September 27, 2025</i>	
			Underutilization of HVDC line: AGP holds NGC responsible for Rs86.5bn overcharge	
			<i>Business recorder, September 28, 2025</i>	
			Pakistan seeks Chinese waiver, refuses Rs220bn interest payment to IPPs	
			<i>Express Tribune, September 28, 2025</i>	

