






Weekly Media Monitor

December 15th - December 21th, 2025

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

- ➔ National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) forms new net metering rules, bringing down the buyback rate from more than 25 rupees per unit to around 11 rupees per unit, banning sale of excess electricity to other consumers, limiting generation capacity and applying separate tariffs for buying and selling of electricity units.
- ➔ Pakistan requests a major Asian Development Bank (ADB) loan to retire 1.7 trillion rupees circular debt, refinance expensive power sector borrowing and support grid stability and smart metering expansion.

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
Senate body concerned over cost escalation of uplift projects in Sindh	US natural gas futures ease to 7-week low on warm weather outlook	NEPRA introduces new regulations for net metering users	Centre paid Rs6.57 trillion to KP, including NFC share, War on Terror compensation, finance ministry says	Pakistan, UK formalise £35m green compact for climate action
<i>Dawn, 19 December 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, 21 December 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, 18 December 2025</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, 20 December 2025</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, 21 December 2025</i>
Global coal demand hit record high this year but is set to decline	Oil prices climb as US blocks Venezuelan tankers	Here is how net-metering will change if NEPRA's Draft Prosumer Regulations, 2025 get approved	'Conditional subsidy': experts say power tariff cut for industry, agriculture not enough	The new agriculture frontier
<i>Business Recorder, 17 December 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, 21 December 2025</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, 17 December 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, 19 December 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, 21 December 2025</i>
Energy sector transformation	Gas utilities reject proposal to end fixed asset return	Why Pakistan's banks won't finance the solar revolution	BR RESEARCH: Grid generation barely holds up	BIPP flags climate risks as real economic threat
<i>Business Recorder, 16 December 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, 19 December 2025</i>	<i>Pakistan Today, 15 December 2025</i>	<i>Business Recorder, 19 December 2025</i>	<i>The Express Tribune, 19 December 2025</i>
	Global LNG: Asia spot prices fall to 20-month low on weak demand		Pakistan seeks massive ADB loan to tackle remaining Rs1.7tr circular debt	Authoritative advisory opinion
	<i>The Express Tribune, 19 December 2025</i>		<i>Dawn, 18 December 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, 18 December 2025</i>
	Gas sector reforms: Pakistan govt, World Bank discuss roadmap		Pakistan's power generation falls 19% in November on lower demand	UK braces 2025 as hottest year in history
	<i>Business Recorder, 18 December 2025</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, 18 December 2025</i>	<i>The News International, 17 December 2025</i>

	PSO seeks zero-rating of petroleum products amid Rs54bn tax refund backlog		ECC approves Rs200b power subsidy to keep circular debt within IMF-agreed limits	Adapting to survive
	<i>Pakistan Today, 18 December 2025</i>		<i>The Express Tribune, 18 December 2025</i>	<i>Dawn, 16 December 2025</i>
	Imported RLNG price reduced up to 5.90pc		Power firms seek to refund Rs5.6bn for November usage	
	<i>Business Recorder, 16 December 2025</i>		<i>Dawn, 17 December 2025</i>	
	Pakistan seeks oil deal with Russia as energy ministries hold talks, RIA reports		Power consumers may get Rs0.71 per unit relief in January bills	
	<i>Business Recorder, 16 December 2025</i>		<i>The Express Tribune, 17 December 2025</i>	
	OGRA cuts RLNG prices by up to 5.9% for December 2025		NGC commissions ADB-financed 500kV Lahore North Grid Station	
	<i>Pakistan Today, 15 December 2025</i>		<i>Business Recorder, 16 December 2025</i>	
			BR RESEARCH: Net-metering regulations draft: A welcome course correction	
			<i>Business Recorder, 17 December 2025</i>	
			Axe may fall on prosumers to save power utilities	
			<i>Dawn, 17 December 2025</i>	
			ECC okays Rs200bn equity injection for Discos amid cash-flow stress	
			<i>Business Recorder, 19 December 2025</i>	
			Smart meters for Discos: Power Division says measures helped reduce prices	
			<i>Business Recorder, 16 December 2025</i>	
			https://epaper.dawn.com/DetailImage.php?StoryImage=16_12_2025_002_001	
			<i>Dawn, 16 December, 2025</i>	
			Nepra asks Sindh Nooriabad Power Company to resubmit COD adjustment plea	
			<i>Business Recorder, 16 December 2025</i>	

Percentage of media coverage given to energy sector

December 08th - 14th December

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