

Weekly Media Monitor

January 12th, 2026 – January 18th, 2026

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

- ➔ The federal government prepares drafts of amendments to the NEPRA Act, 1997, and the Electricity Act, 1910, to shift key approval and notification powers from the federal cabinet to the federal Power Division.
- ➔ The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) approves uniform national tariff of 33.38 rupees per kilowatt-hour for 2026, despite the industrial sector's opposition that the tariff should not have included over 130 billion rupees worth of annual cross-subsidy that industries will have to pay.
- ➔ The federal government estimates that Pakistan requires 565.7 billion US dollars by 2035 to meet its latest Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs 3.0) climate targets for emission reductions, renewable energy expansion and electric vehicle adoption.
- ➔ A federal government report on the state-owned enterprises states that the power sector recorded negative equity of 800 billion rupees in 2025, as its six distribution companies continued to incur massive losses.

 Coal	 Oil and Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy and Finance	 Climate Change
Thar's transformation will change Pakistan <i>Express Tribune, 15 January, 2026</i>	BR RESEARCH: OMC sales signal recovery with some friction <i>Business Recorder, 12 January, 2026</i>	Green contracts and the solar boom <i>The News, 12 January, 2026</i>	Wapda shares power evacuation plan for Diamer Basha Dam Project <i>Business Recorder, 12 January, 2026</i>	Achieving climate goals: 'Pakistan will need \$565.7bn investment by 2035' <i>Business Recorder, 15 January, 2026</i>
	A legacy of the oil shock <i>DAWN, 12 January, 2026</i>	Pakistan sets 60pc renewable energy target by 2030 <i>The News, 13 January, 2026</i>	Nepra approves uniform national average tariff, ignoring industry and export sector concerns <i>Business Recorder, 13 January, 2026</i>	Pakistan's climate moment <i>DAWN, 15 January, 2026</i>
	Oil dreams return <i>Pakistan Today, 12 January, 2026</i>	Solar panel prices surge at start of the year <i>Express Tribune, 18 January, 2026</i>	Subsidised consumers eat up power tariff cut <i>DAWN, 13 January, 2026</i>	Pakistan needs \$566bn to meet climate targets <i>DAWN, 15 January, 2026</i>
	Pakistan seeks out-of-court settlement to scrap IP pipeline <i>Express Tribune, 13 January, 2026</i>		NEPRA leaves end-consumer tariff unchanged nationwide <i>Express Tribune, 13 January, 2026</i>	Pakistan needs \$566b to meet climate targets <i>Express Tribune, 15 January, 2026</i>
	Hazara women block road in Quetta over gas crisis <i>Express Tribune, 13 January, 2026</i>		Textile exporters seek urgent reforms as high energy costs cripple exports <i>The News, 13 January, 2026</i>	'Pakistan needs \$565.7bn to meet climate commitments by 2035' <i>The News, 15 January, 2026</i>

Reduced gas supply intensifies cold-weather ordeal for Karachiites		Lahorites brave outages as power crisis deepens	
DAWN, 13 January, 2026		The News, 13 January, 2026	
Pakistan considers shelving gas pipeline project with Iran, but offers revival if US sanctions waiver is secured: report		Prices of petroleum products likely to decline	
Pakistan Today, 13 January, 2026		Business Recorder, 14 January, 2026	
Oil prices likely to drop by Rs5.49/litre from Jan 16		AGP raises questions over 'malfeasance' in Power Division think tank	
Express Tribune, 14 January, 2026		Business Recorder, 14 January, 2026	
PM suggests uniform gas tariffs for fertiliser		Petrol, diesel set for price cut	
Express Tribune, 14 January, 2026		DAWN, 14 January, 2026	
Oil, gas investment at risk as govt extends off-grid levy to third parties		Power outages irk Shangla residents	
The News, 14 January, 2026		The News, 14 January, 2026	
Pakistan might shelve the Iran-Pakistan Gas Pipeline project, what does that mean for the country's energy future?		NEPRA could come under Power Division's control, as per govt's latest amendments	
Pakistan Today, 15 January, 2026		Business Recorder, 15 January, 2026	
Gas supply raised to 746mmcf on winter demand surge		BR RESEARCH: Hidden anomalies in electricity tariff setting	
Express Tribune, 16 January, 2026		Business Recorder, 15 January, 2026	
Oil industry complains about delay in raising margins		Punjab govt will buy only electric or hybrid cars	
Express Tribune, 16 January, 2026		DAWN, 15 January, 2026	
Oil sector seeks rationalisation of line fill financing costs to ease financial pressure		Pakistan cuts industrial power subsidy burden by Rs123bn	
The News, 16 January, 2026		Express Tribune, 15 January, 2026	
Gas fees taken from captive power plants 'retrospectively unlawful'		Power users to continue paying debt surcharge	
The News, 18 January, 2026		DAWN, 15 January, 2026	
Govt asked to pass on benefit of reduced oil prices to public		Energy cost crisis	
Business Recorder, 18 January, 2026		The News, 15 January, 2026	
Backdated CPP gas levy unlawful, rules SHC		Petrol, diesel unchanged, levy increased	
DAWN, 18 January, 2026		DAWN, 16 January, 2026	
Exploration firms protest Rs1.5tr gas dues		Businessmen warn NEPRA losing autonomy	
DAWN, 18 January, 2026		Express Tribune, 16 January, 2026	

			WB demands result-based power reforms before multibillion-dollar support	
			<i>The News, 16 January, 2026</i>	
			Power sector interventions fail to spark growth	
			<i>DAWN, 17 January, 2026</i>	
			Business leaders reject power package, seek tariff relief	
			<i>DAWN, 17 January, 2026</i>	
			Govt slammed for increasing taxes on petrol products	
			<i>Business Recorder, 17 January, 2026</i>	
			Fueling Reform: Pakistan's Digital Drive Transforms Petroleum Sector	
			<i>Pakistan Today, 17 January, 2026</i>	
			Power sector sees Rs800b equity hole	
			<i>Express Tribune, 17 January, 2026</i>	
			Crippling power sector	
			<i>Express Tribune, 18 January, 2026</i>	
			Subsidies for failure	
			<i>The News, 18 January, 2026</i>	
			https://www.brecorder.com/news/40402774/power-planning-and-monitoring-company-failed-to-meet-key-targets-agg	
			<i>Business Recorder, 18 January, 2026</i>	

Percentage of media coverage given to energy sector

5th January - 11th January

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12th January - 18th January

