

Weekly Media Monitor

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

- ➔ Lucky Electric Power Company Limited, a privately owned coal-based power producer, requests Power Minister Awaiz Leghari to expedite the completion of Thar coal rail link so that the company can avoid costs on coal imports.
- ➔ Pakistan and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) sign climate resilience projects worth over 300 million US dollars to strengthen coastal protection and promote climate smart farming.
- ➔ Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif directs new oil and gas exploration and the digitisation of the petroleum sector to curb smuggling and save foreign exchange.
- ➔ Pakistan will reportedly import 88 liquified natural gas (LNG) cargoes from Qatar in 2026, though 24 of these cargoes will be diverted to other countries..

 Coal	 Oil & Gas	 Renewable Energy	 Energy & Finance	 Climate Change
Challenges related to Thar rail link: LEPCL seeks Leghari's intervention <i>Business Recorder, 30 December, 2025</i>	HCSTSI says concerned at severe gas shortage, low pressure <i>Business Recorder, 29 December, 2025</i>	Thatta Cement approves additional 7.5MW wind project, renewable capacity to rise to 17.3MW <i>Pakistan Today, 31 December, 2025</i>	IESCO demonstrates outstanding performance in FY25: CEO <i>Business Recorder, 29 December, 2025</i>	Pakistan, ADB sign over \$300m climate projects <i>The News, 30 December, 2025</i>
	Daytime gas supply cut sparks public anger <i>Express Tribune, 29 December, 2025</i>	Economics of the solar boom <i>The News, 3 January, 2026</i>	Ahsan Iqbal seeks urgent action as Rs1tr throw-forward looms over power, water PSDP projects <i>Pakistan Today, 30 December, 2025</i>	India's Chenab dam plan riles eco-activists, Pakistan alike <i>DAWN, 30 December, 2025</i>
	Pakistan to import 88 LNG cargoes from Qatar in 2026 <i>The News, 30 December, 2025</i>	OPINION: Solar energy <i>Business Recorder, 4 January, 2026</i>	Govt prioritises critical power projects <i>DAWN, 30 December, 2025</i>	Digital climate change: new crisis we are not talking about <i>Express Tribune, 31 December, 2025</i>
	Oil industry urges govt to suspend Fotco's flow-rate penalties <i>The News, 31 December 2025</i>		CPEC 2 brings Chinese textile units, and a new rival for local mills <i>Express Tribune, 30 December, 2025</i>	ADB signs two major climate resilience initiatives with Pakistan <i>DAWN, 31 December, 2025</i>

	Pakistan's oil marketing sector heading for forced exits, warns report		Govt cuts petrol by Rs10.28, diesel by Rs8.57 per litre for next fortnight	International trends — extending the argument
	<i>Express Tribune, 1 January, 2026</i>		<i>Business Recorder, 31 December, 2025</i>	<i>Express Tribune, 1 January, 2026</i>
	OGDCL makes significant oil and gas discovery in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa		Hydropower emerges as backbone of 2025 energy mix	Climate shocks agriculture
	<i>Express Tribune, 1 January, 2026</i>		<i>The News, 31 December, 2025</i>	<i>Express Tribune, 1 January, 2026</i>
	Pakistan's oil marketing sector heading for forced exits, warns report		Hydel power stations generated 33b units	Climate resilience
	<i>Business Recorder, 1 January, 2026</i>		<i>Express Tribune, 31 December, 2025</i>	<i>DAWN, 1 January, 2026</i>
	OGDCL makes significant oil and gas discovery in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa		Govt rings in New Year with Rs10.28 per litre petrol cut	Pakistan's invisible climate casualties
	<i>Business Recorder, 1 January, 2026</i>		<i>Express Tribune, 31 December, 2025</i>	<i>Express Tribune, 2 January, 2026</i>
	PM directs new exploration, digitization of oil and gas sector		WAPDA generates 33.12bn units of hydel electricity in 2025	Climate reckoning
	<i>Pakistan Today, 2 January, 2026</i>		<i>Business Recorder, 31 December, 2025</i>	<i>DAWN, 3 January, 2026</i>
	New oil and gas reserves: PM urges aggressive drive to explore, extract		Power tariff likely to be cut by Rs0.72	Financial cost of climate inaction in Pakistan
	<i>Business Recorder, 2 January, 2026</i>		<i>Express Tribune, 1 January, 2026</i>	<i>Express Tribune, 3 January, 2026</i>
	TAL JV discovers gas in KP's Kohat		OGDCL receives Rs8.3bn from Uch Power	
	<i>Business Recorder, 2 January, 2026</i>		<i>Business Recorder, 1 January, 2026</i>	
	Shehbaz for exploring new oil, gas fields to cut imports		Petrol price slashed by Rs10, diesel rate by Rs8.5	
	<i>DAWN, 2 January, 2026</i>		<i>DAWN, 1 January, 2026</i>	
	PM directs new exploration, digitization of oil and gas sector		Govt cuts petrol, diesel prices as New Year relief	
	<i>Pakistan Today, 2 January, 2026</i>		<i>The News, 1 January, 2026</i>	
	PM hails significant oil and gas discovery in K-P		Power Division claims Rs780 billion circular debt reduction, major tariff cuts in one year's reform report	
	<i>Express Tribune, 2 January, 2026</i>		<i>Pakistan Today, 1 January, 2026</i>	
	Captive power gas: Govt extends monthly levy to third-party suppliers		OICCI proposes reforms in power sector	
	<i>Business Recorder, 3 January, 2026</i>		<i>Business Recorder, 2 January, 2026</i>	
	Bettani elders demand payment of gas royalty		OPINION: A dysfunctional electricity market	
	<i>DAWN, 3 January, 2026</i>		<i>Business Recorder, 2 January, 2026</i>	

	Urea sales hit all-time high: cement, oil surge		Lucky Islamic Energy Fund launched	
	<i>DAWN, 3 January, 2026</i>		<i>Business Recorder, 2 January, 2026</i>	
	Attock Refinery shuts main unit amid crude shortages, weak product uplift		Renewed hope in the energy sector	
	<i>The News, 3 January, 2026</i>		<i>DAWN, 2 January, 2026</i>	
	Fixed Rate of Return regime for gas utilities opposed		Energy sector sees mixed results in 2025 amid circular debt, reform efforts	
	<i>Business Recorder, 4 January, 2026</i>		<i>Express Tribune, 2 January, 2026</i>	
	Engro Powergen Qadirpur seeks 40mmscfd gas from Kandhkot field		Growing reliance on imported POL products putting a strain on local production	
	<i>Business Recorder, 4 January, 2026</i>		<i>Business Recorder, 3 January, 2026</i>	
			Govt urged to carry out swift privatisation of SOEs	
			<i>Business Recorder, 3 January, 2026</i>	
			OICCI proposals	
			<i>DAWN, 3 January, 2026</i>	
			K-Electric shows steady progress during 2025	
			<i>The News, 3 January, 2026</i>	
			Petroleum product sales fall 5pc in December	
			<i>The News, 3 January, 2026</i>	
			Pakistanis spend two-thirds of income on food, power as remittance reliance grows	
			<i>Express Tribune, 3 January, 2026</i>	
			KP govt urged to establish hydel power projects	
			<i>The News, 3 January, 2026</i>	
			Smart meter procurement under scanner	
			<i>Express Tribune, 4 January, 2026</i>	

Percentage of media coverage given to energy sector

