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BUSINESS RECORDER

Petrol price hiked by Rs2.31, HSD's by 78 paise

ISLAMABAD: In its daily review the government on Thursday increased the petroleum prices for October 9.

August adjustment : Nepra raises power tariff by Rs1.11

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority has increased electricity prices by Rs1.11 per unit nationwide, including for K-Electric consumers, under the monthly fuel adjustment for August 2026.

Ombudsman cannot act as substitute for every statutory forum: FCC

ISLAMABAD: The Federal Constitutional Court (FCC) has ruled that the Ombudsman cannot act as a substitute for every statutory forum and cannot assume jurisdiction over matters specifically entrusted by law to another designated authority.

Efforts will be fast-tracked to finalise Pakistan-GCC FTA

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and Bahrain on Thursday agreed to fast-track efforts to finalise the Pakistan-GCC Free Trade Agreement (FTA) and deepen bilateral cooperation in trade, investment, energy, agriculture, information technology and labour.

DAWN NEWSPAPER

Higher fuel costs weigh on October power bills

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Thursday notified electricity consumers of an additional burden of Rs16 billion by allowing Rs1.11 per unit in higher fuel costs in October billing.

Sindh High court suspends Nepra orders on K-Electric tariff review

KARACHI: The Sindh High Court (SHC) has suspended the impugned notifications and orders of the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority's (Nepra) appellate tribunal regarding the review of K-Electric's multi-year tariff.

WTO sees Pakistan trade windfall

ISLAMABAD: Forecasting global merchandise trade to grow faster by 3.9pc and 4.1pc in 2026 and 2027, respectively, than the previously estimated 1.9pc and 2.6pc at the start of the US-Iran conflict on Feb 28, the World Trade Organisation (WTO) has found that some nations, including Pakistan, are also benefiting from trade disruptions in unexpected ways.

State Bank reserves rise by \$15m

KARACHI: The State Bank of Pakistan's (SBP) foreign exchange reserves rose by \$15 million to \$21.453 billion during the week ended on Oct 2, reported the central bank on Thursday.

Bahrain working to speed up approval of Pak-Gulf FTA

ISLAMABAD: Bahrain said on Thursday that it was working to "speed up" the approval of a free trade agreement (FTA) between Pakistan and the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC).

Over 160 Karachi buildings remain non-compliant with fire safety rules

KARACHI: The city of Karachi remains the most vulnerable division in Sindh in terms of fire safety measures in buildings, with 162 buildings still non-compliant.

THE NEWS INTERNATIONAL

IMF wants end to fuel subsidy amid high petrol prices

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) have reached a staff-level agreement that will unlock about \$1.2 billion in financing, with the IMF urging Islamabad to phase out the fuel subsidy scheme, increase health and education spending and make timely tariff adjustments for the energy sector.

Pakistan, Bahrain stress safe shipping via ME straits

ISLAMABAD/ RAWALPINDI: Pakistan on Thursday expressed satisfaction over the positive trajectory of bilateral relations with Bahrain and underscored its commitment to further strengthening cooperation with the country in diverse fields, including trade, investment, energy and human resource development.

PM pushes for deeper ties with Bahrain

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday expressed satisfaction over the positive trajectory of bilateral relations and underscored Pakistan's commitment to further strengthening cooperation with Bahrain in diverse fields, including trade, investment, energy and human resource development.

SHC suspends Nepra orders on KE's FY24-FY30 tariff

KARACHI: The Sindh High Court has suspended the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority's (Nepra) appellate tribunal orders and notifications with regard to K-Electric's (KE) multi-year tariff (FY24-FY30) till further orders.

Lawmakers seek clarity on fuel prices and petroleum levy

ISLAMABAD: A parliamentary petroleum committee on Thursday pressed the government for greater transparency in fuel pricing and reviewed measures to shield consumers from a global oil-market shock, while being told that four of the country's five refineries have signed agreements to upgrade their plants.

KPT seeks faster cargo clearance through 24/7 operations, risk-based checks

KARACHI: Karachi Port Trust (KPT) Chairman Rear Admiral Shahid Ahmed SI(M), S Bt (r) has called for removing physical and regulatory bottlenecks to make cargo clearance faster, more efficient and predictable.

Direct Karachi-Europe shipping link restored as exporters face higher costs

KARACHI: Minister for Maritime Affairs Muhammad Junaid Anwar Chaudhry said on Thursday that direct shipping connectivity between Karachi and major European ports has been restored, providing relief to exporters facing longer transit times and higher freight costs because of disruptions to international shipping routes.

FBATI seeks 2pc fixed-rate financing for small industries

KARACHI: The Federal B Area Association of Trade and Industry (FBATI) has urged the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) governor to introduce long-term financing for small and medium-sized enterprises at a fixed interest rate of 2.0 per cent a year to support their survival and revival.

TRIBUNE NEWSPAPER

PM Shehbaz seeks stronger Bahrain ties in trade, energy during meeting with FM Al Zayani

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday called for further strengthening Pakistan-Bahrain cooperation in trade, investment, energy and human resource development, as he reaffirmed Islamabad's commitment to expanding the two countries' "longstanding and brotherly relations".

NEPRA allows Rs1.11 per unit fuel adjustment in October billing

The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) on Thursday notified electricity consumers of an additional burden of Rs1.11 per unit in October billing due to higher fuel costs, amounting to Rs16 billion for all consumers.

UK eyes long-term investment

Pakistan and the United Kingdom discussed ways to further enhance trade and cooperation in priority sectors and deliver concrete outcomes through the next bilateral Trade Dialogue, during a meeting between Federal Minister for Commerce Jam Kamal Khan and British High Commissioner Jane Marriott.

Industry seeks long term SME loan at 2%

New pricing system may halt petrol import

Rs 2 Tr Financing to empower businesses

EXPRESS NEWSPAPER

After up and down, Rs. 1 Trillion 49 Billion lost in stock market