

(356th Session)**SENATE SECRETARIAT****“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”***to be asked at a sitting of the Senate to be held on***Thursday, the 27th November, 2025****[DEFERRED QUESTIONS]**

[Question Nos. 11, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 31, 38, 39, 41, 43, 46 and 47]
were deferred on 7th November, 2025 (355th Session)

(Def.)* Question No. 11 **Senator Muhammad Aslam Abro:
(Notice Received on 20/12/2024 at 3:18 PM) QID: 42731

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state whether it is a fact that severe load shedding is going on in interior Sindh, if so, details regarding steps taken/being taken by the Government to mitigate it?

Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari: Load Management in HESCO & SEPCO is being carried out on the basis of Aggregate Technical & Commercial (AT&C) Losses as per following criteria:

CATEGORY	% OF AT&C LOSSES	HOURS OF LOAD MANAGEMENT
Category-I	00 to 10%	00 Hours
Category-II	10 to 20%	00 Hours
Category-III	20 to 30%	02 Hours
Category-IV	30 to 40%	04 Hours
Category-V	40 to 60%	06 Hours
Category-VI	60 to 80%	08 Hours
Category-VII	80.1 & Above	12 Hours

No “un-announced” load shedding is being carried out under the jurisdiction of HESCO & SEPCO.

Steps taken by SEPCO & HESCO to reduce the load shedding;

- Total hundred feeders (twenty feeders of each circle) by SEPCO and total eighty feeders (twenty feeders of each circle) by HESCO, have been selected for securing of meters, improving of recovery, changing of defective meters, removing of Kunda connections, scanning meters on high loss transformers are installed for mapping the inefficient areas in order to reduce AT&C losses.
- The support of law enforcing agencies have been provided by Govt. of Pakistan, in the shape of DISCO Support Unit (DSU), which shall improve the overall performance of Company.

The reduction in AT&C losses will lead to decrease in the load shedding on feeders.

(Def.) Question No. 2 **Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur:**
(Notice Received on 23/06/2025 at 11:17 AM) QID: 43311

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of electricity theft cases registered in the country during the period from January 2022 to December 2024 with province-wise break-up;*
- (b) the details of the legal action taken against the individuals involved in electricity theft during the said period; and*
- (c) whether the amount recovered as penalties from the offenders is utilized under any specific head, if so, the details of the same?*

Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari: (a) A province-wise summary of electricity theft from January 2022 to December 2024

indicating the number of FIRs registered, persons arrested, total units charged, detection bills raised, and amounts recovered is tabulated below:

DISCOs/ Provinces	No. of FIRs registered	No. of persons arrested	Total units charged (kWh in million)	Total amount of detection bill charged (Rs. in Million)	Total amount of detection bills recovered (Rs. in Million)	%age Recovery
LESCO	171,178	50,123	187	7,069	4,035	57.08
GEPCO	16,124	12,732	21	920	871	94.62
FESCO	15,397	13,116	36	1,684	1,342	79.69
IESCO	3,427	2,426	17	800	702	87.66
MEPCO	46,181	37,180	75	3,066	2,368	77.25
PUNJAB	252,307	115,577	336	13,539	9,317	68.82
PESCO	39,848	10,988	79	3,158	690	21.84
TESCO	264	24	1	39	23	60.49
KPK	40,112	11,012	80	3,196	713	22.31
HESCO	8,181	295	50	1,384	191	13.82
SEPCO	8,507	2,024	18	626	283	45.30
SINDH	16,688	2,319	68	2,010	475	23.62
QESCO (BALUCHISTAN)	650	209	17	908	856	94.50
Total All DISCOs	309,757	129,117	501	19,651	11,361	57.81

(b) As mentioned in the above table, 309,757 FIRs were registered during the period from January 2022 to December 2024.

(c) The recovered amount from detection bills is released through the respective electricity bills and is deposited into the DISCOs' revenue accounts. These funds are not allocated under any specific head.

*(Def.) Question No. 7 **Senator Fawzia Arshad:**

(Notice Received on 1/07/2025 at 3:27 PM) QID: 43205

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state whether it is a fact that IESCO has created a new Sub-Division at Kotli Sattian under Bara Kahu Division, if so, the details thereof?

Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari: Operation Sub-Division Kotli Satian was sanctioned by the BoD in 2023. However, it could not be activated due to acute shortage of staff in IESCO which is currently facing 46% deficiency of staff. There are 7 other Sub-Divisions which were created but could not be operationalized / activated due to shortage of staff.

However, a sub-office is already functional at Kotli Satian created prior to the approval of Operation Sub-Division as notified *vide* Additional DO (HR) Order No. 1432-46p/IESCO/DG(HR)/CB-323 dated 10-01-2017. The Sub-Office is still functional to address the customer related issues with limited available resources.

(Def.) Question No. 8 **Senator Fawzia Arshad:**
(Notice Received on 1/07/2025 at 3:28 PM) QID: 43206

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Kotli Sattian Sub-Division of IESCO is still not operational, if so, the reason thereof?

Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari: Operation Sub-Division Kotli Satian was sanctioned by the BoD vide this office order No. 18336-53 dated 02-05-2023. However, it is among 7 other Sub-Divisions which have been created but could not be operationalized / activated due to shortage of staff in IESCO.

Moreover, a Sub-office is already functional at Kotli Satian created prior to the approval of Operation Sub-Division as notified *vide* Additional DG (HR) order No. 1432-46/IESCO/DG(HR)/CB-323 dated 10-01-2017. The Sub-Office is functional to address the customers related issues with limited available resources.

(Def.) Question No. 9 **Senator Fawzia Arshad:**
(Notice Received on 1/07/2025 at 3:28 PM) QID: 43204

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state whether it is a fact that out of 95 sanctioned posts in Sub-Division Kotli Satian, IESCO only 5 posts are filled and the remaining 90 posts are lying vacant, if so, the reasons thereof?

Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari: Operation Sub-Division Kotli Satian was sanctioned by the Board of Directors dated 02-05-2023. However, it could not be activated due to an acute shortage of staff in IESCO, which is currently operating with a 46% staff deficiency.

It is pertinent to mention that a Sub-office has already been functional at Kotli Satian, established prior to the formal approval of the Operation Sub-Division, as notified vide Additional DG (HR) order No. 1432-46/IESCO/DG(HR)/CB-323 dated 10-01-2017. This Sub-office continues to address customer-related issues to the extent possible with the limited available resources.

The Operation Sub-Division Kotli Satian will be activated once the human resource situation improves through recruitment initiatives currently under consideration by the BoD, in line with IESCO's internal planning and available resources.

*(Def.) Question No. 10 **Senator Mohammad Abdul Qadir:**
(Notice Received on 3/07/2025 at 3:36 PM) QID: 43341

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to establish over 3,000 EV charging stations in the country by the end of the current year, if so, the details thereof indicating also the names of departments responsible for their establishment and monitoring?

Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari: The Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure (EVCI) and Battery Swapping Stations (BSS) Regulations have been duly approved and notified by the Federal Government through S.R.O 1646(I)/2024, dated 24th October 2024, under the mandate of the National Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (NEECA), Ministry of Energy (Power Division). Pursuant to these regulations, a total 72 EVCI licenses have been issued to date.

In line with the Draft New Energy Vehicle Policy prepared by the Ministry of Industries and Production, the national target is to deploy 3,000 Electric Vehicle Charging Stations across the country over a five-year period (2025-2030). For the current fiscal year, the target is to deploy

240 charging stations. The stations will be established under private sector participation.

The departments responsible for establishment of EV charging stations are Ministry of Industries and Production, NEECA, Ministry of Energy (Power Division), National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA), and Distribution Companies.

(Def.)* Question No. 12 **Senator Jan Muhammad:

(Notice Received on 25/07/2025 at 1:29 PM) QID: 43403

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the electricity import agreement under which electricity is being imported from Iran from the Makran Division indicating also the electricity supply limits and applicable tariff;*
- (b) the electricity demand (Megawatts) of Makran Division indicating also the actual megawatts of electricity received and shortfall against that demand during the last three months; and*
- (c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to connect Makran Division with the National Grid, if so, the details thereof indicating also its current status, impact, capacity and proposed time line by which it will be completed?*

Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari: (a) The Contract Agreement for import of electricity was signed between Pakistan and Iran on 06-11-2002 with its subsequent 10th amendment initiated on 27-12-2024.

Article 2.3 of 10th amendment states that the maximum power demand shall be 204 MW through 04 interconnection lines (as detailed below) with a condition that the buyer shall take or pay 30 million kWh electricity per month.

1	Polan	Jivani	100 MW
2	Peshin	Mand	100 MW
3	Mirjaveh	Taftan	2 MW
4	Jalgh	Mashkail	2 MW

As per Contract Agreement, the tariff for supply of electricity through all interconnection lines shall be determined based on the following formula:

$$R=3.2+0.075* P$$

R = Electricity Energy Price Payable in US Cents per each kWh

3.2 = Fixed portion of delivered electricity cost

P = Monthly average price of barrel of Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) basket of crude oil in US Dollars $60.00 \leq P \leq 110.00$ which is derived from OPEC website www.opec.org

(b)

Name of Common Distribution Point (CDP)	Demand MW	May 2025		June 2025		July 2025	
		Received	Short Fall	Received	Short Fall	Received	Short Fall
Peshin/Mand	180 to 200	23.0	157	41.0	159	47	153
Polan/Jivani		20.0	160	20.6	179.4	25	147.2

(c) It is clarified that Makran region has already been connected with National Grid under the Project “Interconnection of Isolated Makran / Gwadar area with National Grid System (having approximate capacity of 80 MW)”, which has been completed in June 2023 at the cost of Rs. 12.157 million.

Resultantly, in addition to the four sources mentioned in part (a), Makran division also has National Grid as 5th source.

(Def.)* Question No. 31 **Senator Kamil Ali Agha:
(Notice Received on 22/08/2025 at 11:42 AM) QID: 43525

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state whether it is a fact that oil prices have not been reduced despite decline in oil prices globally as the Prime Minister of Pakistan has directed that revenue so generated will be utilized to upgrade N-25 Highway, if so, the details thereof indicating also the amount of revenue generated so far on this count and funds transferred to exchequer for expenditures to be made on the said highway?

Mr. Ali Pervaiz Malik: Yes, the Federal Government has increased the Petroleum Levy (PL) by Rs. 8/liter and Rs. 7/liter on petrol and diesel respectively w.e.f. 16th April 2025.

The total amount collected for the period 16th April 2025 to 30th September 2025 through said increased levies is Rs. 66.13 billion. The PL is collected in the Federal Consolidated fund. However, its expenditures or allocation for public projects does not fall under the domain of Petroleum Division.

(Def.)* Question No. 38 **Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood:
(Notice Received on 2/09/2025 at 12:39 PM) QID: 43577

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state:-

- (a) the number of complaints regarding faulty transformers in Lower & Upper Chitral received since July, 2022 indicating also the action taken on the same; and*
- (b) the number of out of order transformers in the said district at present and the time by which the same will be repaired or replaced?*

Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari: (a) 1. It is intimated that total 64 distribution transformers of various capacities were reported damaged during the period from July 2022 to August 2025 and have subsequently been replaced with healthy transformers at Lower Chitral.

T/F Capacity (kVA)	Demand (Nos.)	Replaced (Nos.)
25	03	03
50	30	30
100	21	21
200	10	10
Total	64	64

2. While in the case of Upper Chitral it is clarified that PESCO has no distribution network there. Distribution system in Upper Chitral falls under the authority of PEDO, and all related activities, including maintenance of lines, replacement of damaged transformers and billing are carried out by PEDO.

(b) Currently, no complaint regarding damaged distribution transformer is outstanding at PESCO H/Q in respect of Lower Chitral.

*(Def.) Question No. 39 **Senator Haji Hidayatullah Khan:**
(Notice Received on 9/09/2025 at 12:12 PM) QID: 43044

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is fact that officials of WAPDA, IESCO and other Departments in ICT have monthly entitlements of free electricity units, if so, the details of their entitlements with department wise and grade wise breakup; and*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that they are charged for consumption of electricity units beyond entitlements, if so, the details of rates they are charged for such units during the last three years?*

Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari: (a) Yes, facility of free electricity is allowed to the employees of DISCOs/GENCOs/NTDC/PITC/WAPDA in accordance with following permissible limits:

Sr. No.	Category	Free supply concession per month (units)	
		Non-Generation	Generation
1	BPS 1-4	100	300
2	BPS 5-10	150	600
3	BPS 11-15	200	600
4	BPS 16	300	600
5	BPS 17	450	650
6	BPS 18	600	700
7	BPS 19	880	1000
8	BPS 20	1100	1100
9	BPS 21-22	1300	-

The summary of department-wise No. of employees and their monthly entitlement of free units, in respect of ICT, is as below:

Sr. No.	Department	Free supply concession per month (units)
1	IESCO	2,56,500
2	MEPCO	575
3	FESCO	1,675
4	PESCO	12,845
5	LESCO	18,145
6	GEPCO	1,715
7	HAZEKO	2,000
8	QESCO	3,280
9	HESCO	100
10	SEPCO	2,325
11	WAPDA	11,835
12	NTDC	6,550
13	GENCOs	900
Total		3,18,445

Details regarding grade-wise breakup are attached as **Annex-A**.

(b) It is a fact that employees that consume electricity beyond their entitled quota are charged for the consumption of electricity. However, there are no special rates allowed to these employees/consumers. The rates applied are same as applicable to rest of the consumers.

Annex-A**DEPARTMENT WISE FREE UNITS ENTITLEMENTS
IN ICT AS ON 01.09.2025**

IESCO	In Service Employees		Retired Employees		Total Entitlement (kWh)
	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	
1	100	9	50	0	900
2	100	3	50	1	350
3	100	9	50	2	1000
4	100	7	50	0	700
5	150	26	75	9	4575
6	150	16	75	2	2550
7	150	55	75	7	8775
8	150	18	75	1	2775
9	150	81	75	20	13650
10	150	8	75	0	1200
11	200	102	100	30	23400
12	200	2	100	4	800
13	200	18	100	11	4700
14	200	30	100	14	7400
15	200	44	100	13	10100
16	300	77	150	53	31050
17	450	60	225	47	37575
18	600	46	300	32	37200
19	880	18	440	34	30800
20	1100	4	550	51	32450
21	1300	2	650	3	4550
22	1300	0	650	0	0
<i>Total</i>					256500

MEPCO	In Service Employees		Retired Employees		Total Entitlement
	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	
1	100	0	50	0	0
2	100	0	50	0	0
3	100	0	50	0	0
4	100	0	50	0	0
5	150	0	75	0	0
6	150	0	75	0	0
7	150	0	75	0	0
8	150	0	75	0	0
9	150	1	75	1	225
10	150	0	75	0	0
11	200	1	100	0	200

12	200	0	100	0	0
13	200	0	100	0	0
14	200	0	100	0	0
15	200	0	100	0	0
16	300	0	150	1	150
17	450	0	225	0	0
18	600	0	300	0	0
19	880	0	440	0	0
20	1100	0	550	0	0
21	1300	0	650	0	0
22	1300	0	650	0	0
Total					575

FESCO	In Service Employees		Retired Employees		Total Entitlement
BPS	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	
1	100	0	50		0
2	100	0	50		0
3	100	0	50		0
4	100	0	50		0
5	150	0	75		0
6	150	0	75		0
7	150	0	75		0
8	150	0	75		0
9	150	0	75	1	75
10	150	0	75		0
11	200	2	100		400
12	200	0	100		0
13	200	0	100	1	100
14	200	0	100		0
15	200	1	100		200
16	300	1	150		300
17	450	0	225		0
18	600	1	300		600
19	880	0	440		0
20	1100	0	550		0
21	1300	0	650		0
22	1300	0	650		0
Total					1675

PESCO	In Service Employees		Retired Employees		Total Entitlement
BPS	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	

1	100	0	50	0	0
2	100	0	50	0	0
3	100	0	50	1	50
4	100	0	50	1	50
5	150	1	75	0	150
6	150	0	75	0	0
7	150	0	75	0	0
8	150	0	75	1	75
9	150	1	75	2	300
10	150	0	75	0	0
11	200	4	100	3	1100
12	200	0	100	0	0
13	200	0	100	0	0
14	200	0	100	0	0
15	200	1	100	0	200
16	300	2	150	2	900
17	450	4	225	2	2250
18	600	2	300	1	1500
19	880	2	440	4	3520
20	1100	1	550	3	2750
21	1300	0	650	0	0
22	1300	0	650	0	0
Total					12845

LESCO	In Service Employees		Retired Employees		Total Entitlement
	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	
1	100	1	50	0	100
2	100	0	50	0	0
3	100	1	50	0	100
4	100	1	50	0	100
5	150	2	75	0	300
6	150	2	75	0	300
7	150	0	75	0	0
8	150	0	75	0	0
9	150	0	75	0	0
10	150	0	75	0	0
11	200	2	100	1	500
12	200	0	100	0	0
13	200	1	100	0	200
14	200	1	100	0	200
15	200	1	100	0	200
16	300	2	150	2	900
17	450	4	225	1	2025

18	600	5	300	4	4200
19	880	3	440	2	3520
20	1100	1	550	8	5500
21	1300	0	650	0	0
22	1300	0	650	0	0
<i>Total</i>					18145

GEPCO	In Service Employees		Retired Employees		Total Entitlement
	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	
1	100	0	50	0	0
2	100	0	50	0	0
3	100	0	50	0	0
4	100	0	50	0	0
5	150	0	75	0	0
6	150	0	75	0	0
7	150	0	75	0	0
8	150	0	75	0	0
9	150	0	75	1	75
10	150	0	75	0	0
11	200	1	100	0	200
12	200	0	100	1	100
13	200	0	100	0	0
14	200	1	100	1	300
15	200	0	100	0	0
16	300	0	150	0	0
17	450	0	225	0	0
18	600	1	300	0	600
19	880	0	440	1	440
20	1100	0	550	0	0
21	1300	0	650	0	0
22	1300	0	650	0	0
<i>Total</i>					1715

TESCO	In Service Employees		Retired Employees		Total Entitlement
	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	
1	100	0	50	0	0
2	100	0	50	0	0
3	100	0	50	0	0
4	100	0	50	0	0
5	150	0	75	0	0
6	150	0	75	0	0

7	150	0	75	0	0
8	150	0	75	0	0
9	150	0	75	0	0
10	150	0	75	0	0
11	200	0	100	0	0
12	200	0	100	0	0
13	200	0	100	0	0
14	200	0	100	0	0
15	200	0	100	0	0
16	300	0	150	0	0
17	450	0	225	0	0
18	600	0	300	0	0
19	880	0	440	0	0
20	1100	0	550	0	0
21	1300	0	650	0	0
22	1300	0	650	0	0
<i>Total</i>					0

HAZECO BPS	In Service Employees		Retired Employees		Total Entitlement
	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	
1	100	0	50	0	0
2	100	0	50	0	0
3	100	0	50	0	0
4	100	0	50	0	0
5	150	0	75	0	0
6	150	0	75	0	0
7	150	0	75	0	0
8	150	0	75	0	0
9	150	0	75	0	0
10	150	0	75	0	0
11	200	0	100	0	0
12	200	0	100	0	0
13	200	1	100	0	200
14	200	1	100	0	200
15	200	0	100	0	0
16	300	1	150	0	300
17	450	1	225	0	450
18	600	0	300	1	300
19	880	0	440	0	0
20	1100	0	550	1	550
21	1300	0	650	0	0
22	1300	0	650	0	0
<i>Total</i>					2000

QESCO	In Service Employees		Retired Employees		Total Entitlement
	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	
1	100	0	50	0	0
2	100	0	50	0	0
3	100	0	50	0	0
4	100	0	50	0	0
5	150	0	75	0	0
6	150	0	75	0	0
7	150	2	75	0	300
8	150	1	75	0	150
9	150	1	75	0	150
10	150	1	75	0	150
11	200	2	100	0	400
12	200	0	100	0	0
13	200	0	100	0	0
14	200	2	100	0	400
15	200	0	100	0	0
16	300	1	150	0	300
17	450	0	225	0	0
18	600	0	300	0	0
19	880	1	440	0	880
20	1100	0	550	1	550
21	1300	0	650	0	0
22	1300	0	650	0	0
<i>Total</i>					3280

HESCO	In Service Employees		Retired Employees		Total Entitlement
	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	
1	100	0	50	0	0
2	100	0	50	0	0
3	100	0	50	0	0
4	100	0	50	0	0
5	150	0	75	0	0
6	150	0	75	0	0
7	150	0	75	0	0
8	150	0	75	0	0
9	150	0	75	0	0
10	150	0	75	0	0
11	200	0	100	0	0
12	200	0	100	0	0
13	200	0	100	0	0

14	200	0	100	0	0
15	200	0	100	1	100
16	300	0	150	0	0
17	450	0	225	0	0
18	600	0	300	0	0
19	880	0	440	0	0
20	1100	0	550	0	0
21	1300	0	650	0	0
22	1300	0	650	0	0
<i>Total</i>					100

SEPCO	In Service Employees		Retired Employees		Total Entitlement
BPS	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	Monthly Entitlement	No. of Employees	
1	100	0	50	0	0
2	100	0	50	0	0
3	100	0	50	0	0
4	100	0	50	0	0
5	150	0	75	0	0
6	150	0	75	0	0
7	150	0	75	0	0
8	150	0	75	0	0
9	150	2	75	1	375
10	150	0	75	0	0
11	200	0	100	0	0
12	200	0	100	1	100
13	200	1	100	0	200
14	200	0	100	0	0
15	200	0	100	0	0
16	300	0	150	0	0
17	450	1	225	0	450
18	600	2	300	0	1200
19	880	0	440	0	0
20	1100	0	550	0	0
21	1300	0	650	0	0
22	1300	0	650	0	0
<i>Total</i>					2325

*(Def.) Question No. 41 **Senator Rana Mahmood Ul Hassan:**
(Notice Received on 10/09/2025 at 9:55 AM) QID: 43615

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state:

- (a) the details regarding current stock of circular debt indicating also the payables to IPPs, public-sector generators, and fuel suppliers;*
- (b) the details of monthly build-up or reduction trends in circular debt since July 2024 indicating also dis-aggregated by generation cost shortfalls, subsidy delays, and recovery gaps; and*
- (c) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to address the issue of circular debt?*

Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari: (a) The current stock of Circular Debt (CD) as of 31st Aug. 2025 is Rs. 1,594 billion. Details are attached as **Annex-I**.

(b) Progressive month wise increase / decrease in CD is indicated at **Annex-II**. With timely tariff adjustments, there is no generation cost shortfalls. Subsidies were released as per due process. During FY-25, the excess losses and recovery gaps of DISCOs were Rs. 398 billion as compared to Rs. 591 billion in FY-24, representing substantial improvement.

(c) To effectively manage circular debt, the Government prepares Circular Debt Management Plan (CDMP) every year, outlining key issues, action matrices, and mechanisms for effective monitoring.

During FY 2024-25, through improved governance, enhanced oversight, accountability, and performance enforcement in DISCOs, the inefficiencies (excess losses and under recoveries) were reduced by Rs. 193 billion, compared FY 2023-24.

Government's re-negotiation with IPPs resulted in waiver of Late payment Interest of Rs 259 billion, helping to reduce CD.

Strengthened Macro Economic Parameters including exchange rate and interest rate has also helped to keep CD controlled.

Going forward, Government of Pakistan aims to refinance current CD stock at cheaper rates with elimination of the remaining stock within 6 years without any additional burden to consumers.

Annex-I

Circular Debt Details as of (PKR Billion)		Aug 25
Payable to Power Producers		842
GENCOs' payable to fuel suppliers		92
Amount Parked in PHL		660
Total		1,594

Annex-II

Circular Debt Details as of (PKR Billion)	FY 24	Jul 24	Aug 24	Sep 24	Oct 24	Nov 24	Dec 24	Jan 25	Feb 25	Mar 25	Apr 25	May 25	Jun 25	Jul 25	Aug 25
Payable to Power Producers	1,600	1,551	1,696	1,688	1,632	1,608	1,615	1,673	1,735	2,633	1,643	1,711	861	903	842
GENCOs' payable to fuel suppliers	110	107	101	96	89	90	86	88	82	79	79	76	93	93	92
Amount Parked in PHL	683	683	683	683	683	683	683	683	683	683	683	683	660	660	660
Total	2,393	2,351	2,480	2,467	2,404	2,381	2,384	2,444	2,501	2,396	2,411	2,470	1,614	1,661	1,594
Increase / (decrease) in Circular Debt		(42)	87	73	11	(12)	(9)	50	138	2	18	77	(780)	47	(20)

*(Def.) Question No. 43 **Senator Muhammad Aslam Abro:**
(Notice Received on 17/09/2025 at 4:31 PM) QID: 43654

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state:

- whether it is a fact that consumers affected by floods, 2022 in Sindh had been charged with electricity bill, if so, the details thereof; and*
- whether the Government has any policy and mechanism to provide relief by waiving-off electricity bills to flood affected communities, if so, the details thereof?*

Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari: (a) The domestic and commercial consumers affected by floods in 2022 were provided relief as per following guidelines.

- Electricity bills for the months of August and September 2022 were waived off for Non Time of Use (ToU) Domestic consumers having ≤ 300 units consumption.
- Electricity bills for the month of September 2022 were deferred for commercial consumers till the next billing cycle.

The details of relief provided by HESCO and SEPCO to the consumers affected by 2022 floods is as below:

DISCO	<i>Rs. In Billion</i>					
	Domestic		Commercial		Total	
	No	Amount	No	Amount	No	Amount
SEPCO	484,015	1.547	88,478	0.726	572,493	2.273
HESCO	442,521	1.923	60,254	0.158	502,775	2.082
Total	926,536	3.470	88,538	0.884	1,075,268	4.355

(b) At present, there are no standing guidelines or policy that are automatically applied whenever floods occur. Each time, the relief measures/package relating to electricity bills are decided by the Federal Cabinet depending upon the flood situation.

*(Def.) Question No. 46 **Senator Muhammad Aslam Abro:**
(Notice Received on 22/09/2025 at 10:42 AM) QID: 43680

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names of Ministries, Divisions and other Government Departments / Organizations against which electricity bills are outstanding as on 1st September, 2025 indicating also the amount pending against each; and*
- (b) *the step taken or being taken by the Government to recover the said amount indicating also the time by which the same will be recovered?*

Sardar Awais Ahmad Khan Leghari: (a) The receivables against Government Department as on 31-08-2025 are as under:

Federal Govt.	Amount (Rs. Million)
Federal Govt. Departments	36,404
AJ&K Autonomous Bodies	63,597
Local Bodies	19,964
Total	6,348
	126,313
Provincial Govt.	Amount (Rs. Million)
Provincial Govt. departments	68,320
Autonomous Bodies	20,647
Local Bodies	7,308
City Dist. Govt	12,306
T-M-A	35,292
Total	143,873
Total Govt Receivables	270,186

DISCOs wise information with the names of Ministries, Divisions and other Government Departments / Organizations is attached as **Annex A**.

Moreover, detailed list of Government department defaulters as on 31-08-2025, is attached as **Annex-B**.

(b) To recover outstanding electricity dues from Federal and Provincial government departments, the following measures have been undertaken:

1. Issuance of Notices: Regular reminders and formal notices are issued to the concerned departments to ensure timely payment of outstanding bills.
2. Inter-Departmental Coordination: DISCOs coordinate and reconcile with departments to facilitate clearance of dues.
3. Disconnection in Case of Non-Payment: In cases of persistent non-payment, electricity supply is disconnected in accordance

with NEPRA regulations, as outlined in the Consumer Service Manual.

4. Strategic Roadmap and Recovery Plans: DISCOs have signed a Strategic Roadmap focused on improving recovery performance, among other KPIs. Structured recovery plans, including phased payment schedules, are being implemented and regularly' monitored.
5. Establishment of DISCO Support Units (DSUs): The first DISCO Support Unit (DSU) was established in MEPCO on 25-07-2024 to expedite recovery efforts and strengthen the anti-theft campaign. The DSU comprises the CEO MEPCO, officers from the FIA, IB, district administration, and civil armed forces. Building on MEPCO's success, Discos Support Units were subsequently established in HESCO & SEPCO on 09-01-2025, LESCO on 13-01-2025 and HAZECO on 21-04-2025. DSUs for other DISCOs are under consideration.
6. Further, it is informed that Tehsildar Recovery have been posted in all DISCOs to further strengthen the receivable recovery.

Notably, in FY 25, the recovery percentage from government departments was 95.13% showing an improvement of 4.9% as compared to 90.26% in FY 24.

(Annexures have been placed in Library and on the Table of the mover/concerned Member).

(Def.)* Question No. 47 **Senator Quratulain Marri:
(Notice Received on 23/09/2025 at 11:44 AM) QID: 43687

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Member (Gas), in OGRA is also presently serving as Senior General Manager in SNGPL, if so, the reasons thereof; and*

(b) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to ensure that such appointments do not create conflict of interest and compromise OGRA's independence?

Mr. Ali Pervaiz Malik: The post of Member (Gas) in OGRA is vacant, no Member or any officer of OGRA is serving against any position of SNGPL, including the position of Senior General Manager.

(b) The Cabinet Division being appointing authority of OGRA members have finalized the process for appointment on merit through its committee and submitted for approval of the Honorable Prime Minister of Pakistan for appointment of member gas in OGRA, which will be appointed soon.

ISLAMABAD,
The 26th November, 2025

SYED HASNAIN HAIDER,
Secretary.