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- Get up to date with industry developments.
- Demonstrate & launch new products & technologies.
- Raise your company profile and change market perception.
- Extensive media exposure before, during & after the event.

PSA Inside:

PSA welcome our New Members.

1. Doaba Green Technology (Pvt) Ltd.
2. Tajveed Impex (Sabri Group).
3. Sabro Technologies (Pvt) Ltd.
4. Aslam Sun Power.
5. Canadian Solar System (Pvt) Ltd.

National:

Future of Pakistan relies on Solar Technology.



Pakistan is located on a sun-belt with potential capacity for solar photovoltaic installation at 1,600GW, which is 40 times greater than the present consumption, Inam ur Rahman, CEO of Reon Energy Limited said.

“With decreasing panel costs and the recent climate change talks in Paris that attracted massive renewable energy funding, it is imperative that Pakistan follows suit and invests itself further into these technologies. Initiatives such as the 200Kwp solution at Wah Medical College, installed by Reon, if carefully studied and replicated, shall give phenomenal results,” he added.

Solar energy today offers energy security and independence to both businesses and individual consumers in Pakistan.

With lower cost than grid electricity, smaller set up time and smoother integration with existing energy systems, the technology offers a viable solution to create a diversified and greener energy mix.

National:

Tube Wells: Senator suggests shift to Solar Energy.

The Senate Standing Committee on Water and Power on Monday urged the authorities to shift Balochistan’s tube wells to solar energy.



A meeting of the committee, chaired by Senator Iqbal Zafar Jhagra, was apprised by Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmad Muhammad Shah that in several areas feeders were over-loaded, resulting in

tripping and power suspension. He suggested that tube wells in the province should be run on solar system. The committee members supported the suggestion and asked the ministry officials to take an initiative as soon as possible.

The committee was told that Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif has directed Zarai Taraqiati Bank to start easy loan schemes to facilitate the farmers in running their tube wells on solar energy.

There were 30,000 agricultural tube wells in Balochistan which also provide potable water to the people. He said the tube wells were closed due to non-payment of electricity bills and added the people were ready to pay their bills. Under this scheme mark-up free loans will be provided for thirty thousand tube-wells in the next three years. All farmers with land holdings up to 12.5 acres will be eligible to apply for this loan.

National:

RCCI urges Govt to pursue Renewable Energy Projects.



President Rawalpindi Chamber of Commerce and Industry (RCCI) Mian Humayun Parvez has said that to overcome the prevailing power crises and meeting the growing requirements of power, the government should pursue alternate and renewable energy projects.

Speaking during a panel discussion on Energy Shortfall and Alternative resources at All Pakistan Chamber Presidents conference on Sunday, Mian Hamayun Parvez said that Pakistan is facing energy crisis and renewable energy solutions including solar, wind and coal power can help us to lower the burden on the national grid. He said that a clean and low cost energy is the need of the hour.

He said that the government is spending billions of dollars on import of petroleum products instead of promoting alternate and renewable energy resources. He also appreciated the Wah Nobel Group’s proposal of providing free feasibility study/technical support to all chambers and associates organizations across Pakistan.

Regional:

10,000 Houses to have Solar Panels in Tamil Nadu.



Promoting clean and green energy, the Centre today approved fitting of roof top solar energy panels on 10,000 houses belonging to economically weaker sections in Tamil Nadu at an estimated cost of Rs. 253 crore under Prime Minister's Awas Yojana.

Regional:

Mercom: China to target at least 15 GW of Solar PV deployments in 2016.



According to a statement released at a National Energy conference by China's National Energy Administration (NEA) officials, the country aims to install at least 15 GW of new solar photovoltaic (PV) generation capacity in 2016, Mercom Capital Group, llc (Austin, Texas, U.S.) indicates in its Market Intelligence Report.

Regional:

China overtakes Germany to become World's leading Solar PV country.



China has overtaken Germany in 2015 in terms of solar PV capacity, according to data from China's Photovoltaic Industry Association.

"Many PV companies began to turn a profit last year thanks to the government's positive stance on green and innovative energy production and investment," said CPIA secretary general Wang Bohua, who added that technology research and development, as well as company financing, required more attention, and that 2016 would likely see policies related to PV power grid connection and subsidies.

China is aiming to increase its non-fossil fuel energy capacity to 15% of total primary energy consumption, with the country's National Energy Administration

predicting China's solar PV capacity will reach 150 GW by 2020.

All of which places China on the road to an impressive solar PV industry over the next few years — especially if national policies can be implemented to further shore up the future of the industry.

Global:

Why 2016 will be Solar Year again.



This year may not be as huge for solar as it looked before Congress extended the solar investment tax credit—some projects can now relax into 2017 without losing their subsidy—but 2016 will still be bigger for sunshine than any year the United States has ever seen.

Installations will continue to be driven by the falling price of solar electricity, which GTM predicts will routinely drop below 4¢ per kilowatt hour at the utility scale over the next two years.

Global:

Solar Energy Jobs double in 5 years.



The number of solar jobs in the U.S. has more than doubled in five years. The solar industry added 35,000 jobs in 2015, up 20% from the previous year.

There are about 209,000 solar energy employees in the U.S. They include solar panel installers, designers, engineers, sales folks and managers. Today, the solar industry workforce is bigger than that of oil and gas construction, and nearly three times the size of the entire coal mining workforce.



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