Govt increases petrol price by Re0.77, decreases diesel's by Rs1.03 per litre(BR)

The government increased the price of petrol by Re0.77 per litre and reduced the high-speed diesel (HSD) price by Rs1.03 per litre. According to a notification issued by the Ministry of Energy (Petroleum Division), the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) on Monday revised the ex-depot prices of petroleum products under the government's petroleum pricing mechanism. The price of petrol was increased by Re0.77 per litre, taking it from Rs342.02 to Rs342.79 per litre. The price of HSD was decreased by Rs1.03 per litre, from Rs371.44 to Rs370.41 per litre. The new prices will remain in effect until Tuesday, in line with the government's ongoing practice of adjusting fuel prices based on international oil markets and other cost factors................read more

'Makkah Defence Alliance': first SG to be from Pakistan (BR)

Pakistan, Saudi Arabia and Türkiye on Monday moved to institutionalise their collective defence framework, agreeing to establish a permanent secretariat in Saudi Arabia with its first Secretary General coming from Pakistan for a three-year term, as the three countries began translating the Makkah Agreement for Joint Defence into an operational regional security architecture. Turkish Foreign Minister Hakan Fidan, speaking after the inaugural meeting of the Strategic Political and Defence Committee in Istanbul, said the grouping would be known as the Makkah Defence Alliance, with its secretariat based in Saudi Arabia and its first Secretary General appointed from Pakistan. The joint statement confirmed that the Pakistani Secretary General would serve an initial three-year term............read more

US, Iran strikes shatter month-long fighting lull(Tribune)

US President Donald Trump on Monday threatened further strikes against Iran after the first tit-for-tat attacks in a month, as a conflict that had lately settled into an economic standoff threatened to escalate into open fighting again. Iran launched missiles overnight at two US air bases in Jordan in response to a US attack on ?Iran's Larak Island, where Washington said it had struck Iranian launchers firing mines into the Strait of Hormuz. "We're going to hit them hard," a Fox News reporter quoted Trump as later telling the channel..………....read more

Pakistan ranks third globally in crypto(Tribune)

Pakistan has emerged as the world's third-largest cryptocurrency market, with around 40 million Pakistanis holding crypto accounts. Pakistan Virtual Assets Regulatory Authority (Pvara) Chairman Bilal Bin Saqib on Monday told the Senate Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat that Pakistani youth had developed an understanding of digital currencies and were seeking greater economic independence. The committee, chaired by Senator Rana Mahmood-ul-Hassan, discussed the growing trend of digital currencies as well as the pricing and taxation of imported mobile phones..............read more

PSX Indices Stats

31-Aug-26	Index	DoD	MTD	CY26TD	FY27TD
KSE100 Index	176,976	-0.4%	0.0%	1.7%	-1.8%
KMI30 Index	251,657	-0.1%	0.0%	1.3%	-2.2%
PSX Mkt Cap*	19,830	-0.3%	0.0%	3.2%	-1.8%

International Stock (returns are USD based) 31-Aug-26

Index	Index Level	CY26TD	Index	Index Level	CY26TD
KSE100	176,976	2.65%	HSI	25,567	-0.2%
SENSEX	76,957	-9.70%	SASEIDX	11,127	6.1%
NKY	66,312	31.73%	UKX	10,824	9.0%
SHASHR	4,180	0.44%	CCMP	26,371	13.5%
FSSTI	5,755	23.87%	SPX	7,686	12.3%
VNINDEX	1,832	2.67%	INDU	53,186	10.7%

USD/PKR, KIBOR and Eurobond

31-Aug-26	Current	WTD	CY26TD	FY27TD
USD/PKR - Inter Bank	277.47	0.01%	1.0%	0.2%
USD/PKR - Open Mkt	278.55	0.00%	1.6%	0.2%
6M KIBOR	11.81%	0.00%	1.2%	0.0%
Pak. Euro Bond (Yield)	7.19%	-0.08%	-0.2%	0.1%

Fixed Income (Secondary and Primary Market Yields)

Tenor	PKRV	Cut Off	Tenor	PKRV	Cut Off
03-M T.Bill	11.51%	11.65%	03-Y PIB	11.91%	11.75%
06-M T.Bill	11.70%	11.80%	05-Y PIB	11.90%	11.80%
12-M T.Bill	11.95%	11.99%	10-Y PIB	12.17%	12.30%

Commodities

International	Last Price	CY26TD	Local	Last Price	CY26TD
WTI (bbl)	86.56	50.7%	Cotton (maund)	19,300	24.5%
Brent (bbl)	91.12	49.7%	Cement (North)	1,555	11.8%
Arablight (bbl)	86.52	40.1%	Cement (South)	1,539	6.4%
Coal (ton)	120.90	40.3%	Urea (bag)	4,684	9.0%
Gold (oz)	4,437.38	2.7%	DAP (bag)	16,789	15.7%
Cotton (lb)	101.30	36.3%	Gold (10grms)	390,520	-1.7%
Dubai Crude oil (bbl)	88.75				

Up Coming Board Meetings

AGIL	11:30 AM	1-Sep-26	DOL	10:00 AM	3-Sep-26
ALTN	11:30 AM	1-Sep-26	PCAL	3:00 PM	3-Sep-26
MACFL	4:30 PM	1-Sep-26	OGDC	11:00 AM	4-Sep-26
OTSU	11:30 AM	2-Sep-26			
OPENFUND	4:00 PM	2-Sep-26			