



Energy Storage in the C&I Sector in Pakistan

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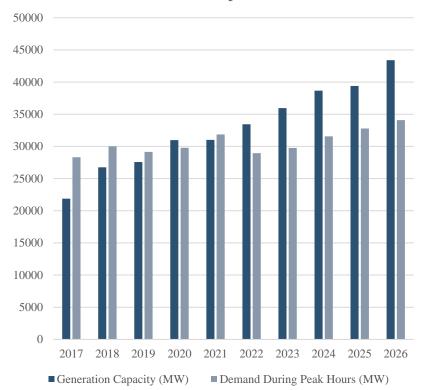






# Context – Electricity Sector and Energy Crisis

# Grid-Connected Energy Generation vs. Consumption



## Longstanding energy crisis

- Peak demand surpassed generation capacities
- Daily load-shedding of 8-12h even in urban centers
- Grid becoming a bottleneck
- Recently: Rising prices on the global energy markets and currency devaluation

## Electricity market projections

Total generation capacity

2021: 39,772 MW – Share of Renewables: 5.4%

2030: 61,112 MW – Share of Renewables: 22,3%

Peak demand

2021: 23,792 MW

2030: 37,129 MW



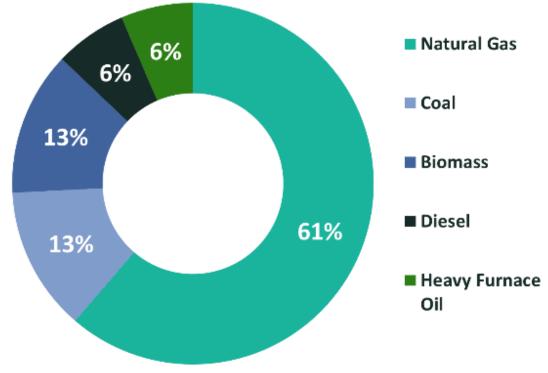




# Context – C&I Sector

- Many production facilities in Pakistan are grid connected but also rely on Captive Power Plants (CPP)
- Volatile prices for fossil fuels are becoming a burden for the Pakistani C&I Sector

## Fuels used for captive power generation











# Relevant Ministries and Agencies

#### National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA):

Responsible for issuing power generation, transmission and distribution licences, defining and reviewing safety standards in the electricity sector, and setting electricity prices

#### Alternative Energy Development Board (AEDB)

Issues permits/licenses to independent power producers (IPPs), examines feasibility studies for newly planned power plant, implementation partner of IPPs during planning and construction phase

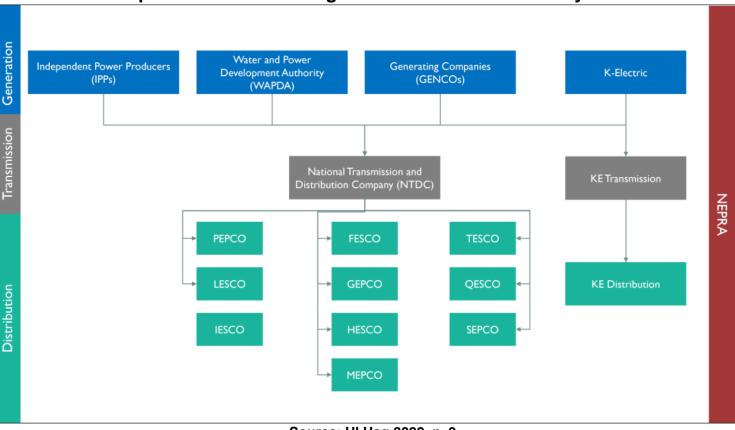
#### National Transmission and Despatch Company (NTDC)

Responsible for the operation of the national power grid with 90% of national grid-connected generation capacities

K-Electric (KE)

Responsible for the operation of the Karachi region power grid with 10% of national grid-connected generation capacities

#### Simplified Schematic Diagram of Pakistan's Electricity Sector



Source: UI Haq 2022, p. 9.





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# Regulations

- No specific regulations, administrative procedures or standards for battery energy storage systems implemented yet
- Trade Barriers
  - 100% cash margin on Li-ion batteries and lead-acid batteries

Policy for Development of Renewable Energy for Power Generation 2006

> First law passed in Pakistan solely for the purpose of promoting the development of renewable energy

Expired in 2018

National Power Policy 2013

Plan for the massive expansion of power generation capacities

Main goal was to completely overcome the supply bottlenecks and the resulting load shutdowns Alternative and Renewable Energy Policy 2019

> Replaced the 2006 Policy

Sets the target to reach an on-grid capacity of RE of at least 20% by 2025 and at least 30% by 2030 Integrated
Generation
Capacity
Expansion Plan
(IGCEP) 2021-30

Projects long-term
electricity demand
and derives the
necessary
generation capacity
expansion and
dispatch
optimisation plans

Next issue supposed to explicitly include battery energy storage systems







# Common Potential Use Cases

#### Energy Arbitrage

- The act of absorbing low-cost, off-peak power and selling it during peak demand periods
- Not possible in Pakistan due to lack of regulation

## Frequency Regulation and Voltage Support

- Services provided to stabilize the power grid
- Grid in Pakistan operates on 230V and 50hz
- Currently the most interesting use case for NTDC

## Back-up Solution

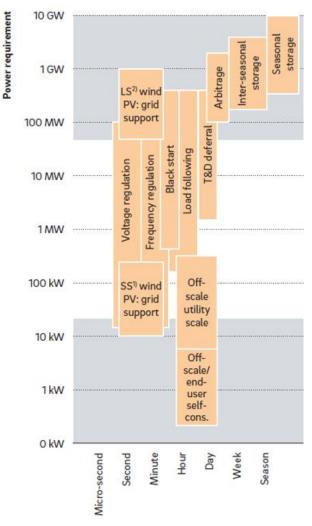
- Ensuring uninterrupted power supply (UPS)
- More likely to be seen on household level





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Source: Asian Development Bank 2018, p. 2.

# Energy Storage Technologies in Pakistan

#### Lead-Acid Batteries

 Most common type of batteries for UPS on household level

#### Lithium-ion Batteries

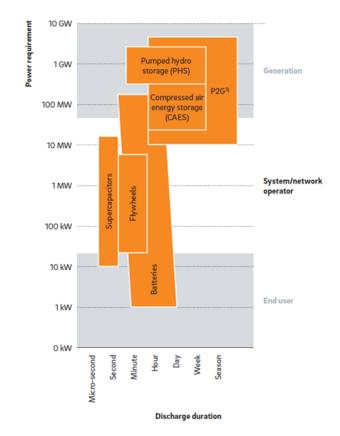
 Most well-known and looked at type of battery in Pakistan for application in the C&I sector and for grid-scale applications at the moment

## Flow Batteries (Vanadium/Organic)

Receive little to no attention and are not well known

## Flywheel / Compressed Air Energy Storage

There is awareness but no interest from interviewed companies



Source: Asian Development Bank 2018, p. 2.







# Pilot Projects – Lucky Cement and REON Energy in Pezu



Source: https://www.aboutpakistan.com/news/lucky-cement-to-install-25-3mw-captive-solar-power-project-in-karachi/







- 34MW PV with 5.589MWh BESS
- PV plant is expected to produce 48GWh annually
- Cement require stable heat and electricity supply for the production process
- CPP energy mix so far 25% waste heat recovery and 75% gas turbines
- BESS is expected to increase the overall CPPs efficiency by balancing variable energy output from waste heat recovery and PV plant

# Pilot Projects – NTDC in Jhimpir

- 20 MW wind energy with 20 MWh BESS
- Funding provided by the Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- Public tender (16.09.2021-28.10.2021)
  - Won by consortium ZTT-ZEST-JSPDI (China)
- Planned to be operational in 2023
- Key applications: frequency regulation and grid supportive services
- First and major learning project
  - No other public projects planned as of now









https://www.energy-storage.news/tender-opens-for-pakistans-first-grid-scale-battery-storage-project/

# C&I Sector – Potential Partners – Textile and Garment

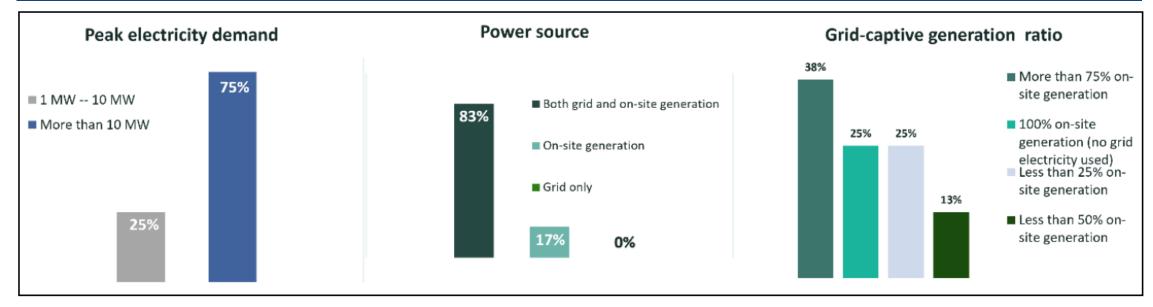
# Pakistan's most important industrial sector

Export volume reached USD19.33 billionin 2021

(→ 61% of the country's total export volume)

400 textile mills are in business

Pressure from international clients to meet certain sustainability goals and to decarbonize







Captive Power Generation in the Textile Sector – Source: UI Haq 2022, p. 14.

# C&I Sector – Potential Partners – Cement Sector

- Pakistan is the 7th biggest exporter of cement worldwide
- 16 operational companies
- Electricity requirement estimated at 720
   MW in 2016
- Typical energy mix of cement plant
  - 25% waste heat recovery
  - 75% multi-fuel burners (gas, coal, furnace oil, refuse derived fuels)

## **Cost Break Up Cement Production 2021**

Sr.#	Company	Raw Material	Packaging	Fuel	Power	Others
1	Attock Cement	12%	6%	38%	17%	27%
2	Bestway cement	9%	12%	44%	21%	14%
3	Cherat Cement	9%	11%	36%	17%	27%
4	DG Khan Cement	2%	8%	35%	17%	38%
5	Dewan Cement	5%	7%	44%	21%	24%
6	FAUJI CEMENT	10%	7%	39%	16%	28%
7	Flying Cement	3%	9%	39%	29%	19%
8	FECTO Cement	6%	8%	48%	24%	13%
9	Gharibwal Cement	5%	7%	49%	12%	26%
10	Kohat Cement	7%	10%	42%	22%	19%
11	Pioneer Cement	9%	11%	46%	22%	11%
12	Maple Leaf Cement	8%	10%	36%	22%	23%
13	Power Cement	9%	8%	44%	21%	19%
14	Thatta Cement	6%	10%	44%	21%	20%
15	Lucky Cement	6%	11%	41%	19%	23%
	Industry	7%	9%	40%	19%	26%

Source: PACRA 2022a, p. 12.





# Market Barriers and Risks

Price sensitive and highly competitive market

Close geographical and political proximity to China (CPEC)

Relationship building required

After sales services and warranty issues







# Recommendations for Action for Market Entry

Personally engage a potential business partner from Pakistan (relationship building)

Start small – smallscale pilot projects can lead to bigger follow-up projects

Offer solutions and contract models that reduce first year costs (CAPEX)

Show commitment to the market and establish a local presence (after sales)

Provide detailed information and case studies of your technologies

Sale of small-scale applications (household level) might also be worthwhile







## **SWOT-Analysis**

Strengths	Weaknesses		
Pakistan	Pakistan		
Developed a relatively resilient Democratic system since overcoming military rule in 2008	Lack of skilled workers		
Good GDP growth rates	High dependency on fossil fuels and imports of such		
Good geographic preconditions for RE	Strong focus on short-term gains		
	Long-lasting energy crisis and load shedding		
	Inefficient utilization of domestic resources		
Market for Energy Storage	Market for Energy Storage		
	Insufficient regulatory framework		
	No ancillary services		
	Lack of attractive financing mechanism for BESS		
	Lack of awareness and knowledge on technologies and use cases in the public sector and C&I sector		
Opportunities	Threats		
Pakistan	Pakistan		
Low labor costs	Domestic Security situation		
High growth rates in electricity-intensive industry sectors (cement, fertilizers, sugar)	Conflict with India		
	Political partnership with China		
	Volatile currency		
	High public debts		
	• Inflation		
	High perceived corruption		
	Very high climate change related risks		
Market for Energy Storage	Market for Energy Storage		
Increase of RE capacities	Chinese-Pakistan Economic Corridor		
No established major supplier of BESS in Pakistan yet	Dominance of Chinese companies in the Pakistani PV sector		
Increased interest by customers in energy storage and/or hybrid solutions	Traditionally very price-sensitive and competitive		
• Unreliable power supply via national grid requires captive powerplants (e.g. hybrid solutions), backup systems etc.			
Cheaper and quicker alternative to grid extension in some areas			
High costs for fossil fuels and derivates			







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