

VIETNAM ENERGY TRANSITION WEEKLY UPDATE

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Key points

1. Implementation [Plan](#) (IP) for National Energy Master Plan 2021–2030 with a vision toward 2050 has been [approved](#). The IP aims to:
 - Effectively implement the National Energy Master Plan which was approved in last July.
 - Identify specific projects and determine implementation progress of programs and projects toward 2030.
 - Provide guidance for relevant agencies in implementing the master plan.The total capital demand for Vietnam’s energy sector is estimated at approximately 190 billion USD during 2021–2030.
2. As severe hot weather caused electricity consumption in the country to increase to a record [high](#), EVN is [mobilizing](#) all coal-fired power plants and many gas-fired power plants.
3. PetroVietnam GAS, Vietnam’s leading gas company, receives [third](#) LNG shipment for power generation.

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Generation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MoIT said that Vietnam will increase imports of electricity from Laos to meet the rising electricity consumption demand. Currently, EVN has signed 19 power purchase agreements (PPA) to buy electricity from 26 Laotian power plants with a total capacity of 2,689MW.• MoIT submitted the draft decree on DPPA for the Ministry of Justice’s appraisal. The draft has been received feedback from 30 agencies/organizations.
Demand	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• EVN informed that in the last days of April, severe hot weather caused electricity consumption in the country to increase to a record high. At 1.30 pm 27 April, maximum capacity of the system reached nearly 48,000 MW. As electricity demand surges, EVN is mobilizing all coal-fired power plants and many gas-fired power plants.
Market	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Starting from 15 May 2024, electricity tariffs will be reviewed every 3 months, with adjustments made if input costs increase by 3% or more. Electricity in Vietnam is under considerable price pressure.
Fuel	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PetroVietnam GAS receives third LNG shipment for power generation, and the second one in 2024.• According to EVN, there have been difficulties in negotiating PPA between EVN and investors of LNG power projects. A major hurdle was a demand by investors for EVN to commit to long-term purchases of 72-90 per cent of the project's capacity.
Grid	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trung Nam Group has submitted a petition to the Government, expressing concerns about the potential risk of the collapse of the 500kV transmission system it constructed.
Planning/ others	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pham Nhat Vuong, the boss of Vingroup, insists that he will never abandon Vinfast despite the carmaker’s mounting losses. The Group remains steadfast in its ambitious drive toward electric vehicles.