

Sector Update

Monthly Power Generation Mix (Mar-20) - Gwh

Source	Jan-20	Jan-19	YoY	FY20TD	YoY
Hydel	868	478	82%	23,280	20%
RFO	801	1,722	-53%	3,291	-55%
Gas/LNG	2,611	2,848	-8%	24,434	-12%
HSD	1	12	-95%	1	-98%
Coal	2,501	1,452	72%	15,204	62%
Others	1,012	1,252	-19%	8,051	-9%
Total	7,794	7,764	0%	74,261	2%

Exhibit: Fuel Wise Generation Mix (%)

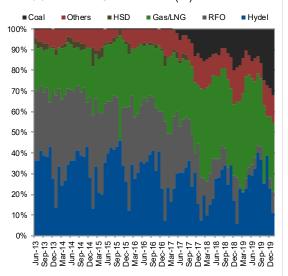
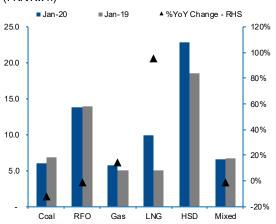


Exhibit: Fuel Wise Cost of Generation - Mar-20 (PKR/Kwh)



Source: NEPRA & IGI Research Analyst

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Generation remained flat during Jan-20, however coal contribution touched 32%

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- Power generation through RFO in Jan-20 dropped by 53%YoY (down by 921Gwh) to 801Gwh. Gas/LNG based power generation dropped by 8%YoY (236Gwh) to 2,611Gwh in Jan-20 on the back of lower generation from a) QATPL and Baloki (contributing 500Gwh) and, b) other smaller IPPs cumulatively contributing 123Gwh,
- As per NEPRA, power cost on RFO during Jan-20 is down by 1%YoY (or up by +1%YoY) to PKR 13.77/Kwh. However, gas price rose to PKR 5.79/Kwh up by +14%YoY (down by 9%MoM) while generation cost through LNG stood PKR 9.92/Kwh, up by +1%MoM,

Power production remained flat at 7,794Gwh during Jan-20

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FO: Generation down by 53%YoY in Jan-20

Power generation through RFO in Jan-20 dropped by 53%YoY (down by 921Gwh) to 801Gwh, owing to lower generation from GENCO III, Nishat Power, Narowal, Hub Plant, Attock Gen, Pakgen and AES Lalpir (cumulatively down by 802Gwh) while generation from smaller IPPs was down by 119Gwh. This brings total generation for FY20TD to 3,291Gwh down by 55%YoY owing to lower generation from Hub Plant, KAPCO Block I & II and GENCO I & III along with lower generation from smaller inefficient IPPs such as Lalpir and Pakgen.

Gas/LNG generation down by 8%YoY during Jan-20

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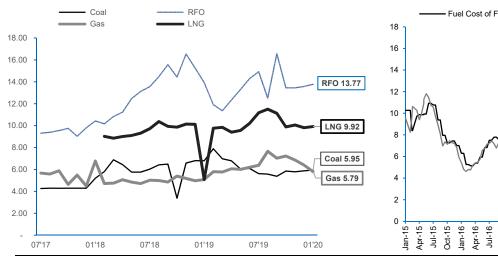


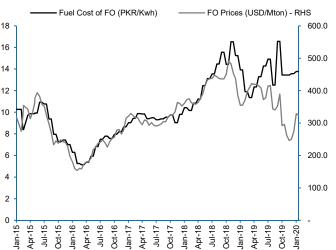
Generation cost on RFO slightly down by 1%YoY to PKR 13.77/Kwh during Jan-20

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Exhibit: Cost of generation on FO and Gas (According to Data released by NEPRA)

Exhibit: FO Prices (USD/Mton) and Fuel Prices (PKR/Mton)





Outlook

We expect generation on gas to increase due to higher LNG import going forward. RFO based generation is expected to slow down as new LNG/coal plants commence operation and restoration of water levels for higher generation through Hydel. However, in the long term we foresee FO based power generation to slowly phase out as new LNG and Coal based power plants commence operations by FY21. Post commencement of operation by CPHGC in Aug-19 coal contribution in total generation mix is up to 32% in Jan-20 from 13% in FY19. Though post IMO-20, substantial drop in FO prices further helped by recent drop in crude oil prices would substantially reduce cost of generation for FO plants. However, for few FO plants having high efficiency and lower fuel cost have PKR 1-3/Kwh higher cost compared to other FO and LNG based power plants. Thus even at fuel cost of PKR 10/kwh these FO plants still have EPP of PKR 11-13/kwh. Thus we foresee some FO plants to become operation however Coal/Gas/LNG plants are likely to remain high in merit order list.



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