

# VIETNAM ENERGY TRANSITION WEEKLY UPDATE

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## Key points

- Experts [raised](#) concerns over the policy crisis in renewable energy in Vietnam.
- Former deputy minister of industry and trade Hoang Quoc Vuong was [detained](#) for investigations into violations at state-monopoly Vietnam Electricity (EVN).
- The Vietnam MOIT has just [drafted](#) a Circular regulating the method of determining the electricity generation price and PPAs for the power plants.
- It is highly unlikely that electricity prices will go [down](#).

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| <b>Generation</b>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Vietnam's electricity sources in 2023 grew 3.6% year-on-year to 80,555 MW while output rose 4.56% to 280.6 billion kWh, state utility Vietnam Electricity (EVN) <a href="#">reported</a> Tuesday.</li><li>• MOIT <a href="#">submitted</a> a letter to the government regarding solutions for solving difficulties and obstacles in the implementation of gas and offshore wind power projects in PDP VIII.</li></ul> |
| <b>Demand</b>               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Many industrial areas face the <a href="#">risk</a> of power shortages in 2024, which will undermine production, tenants, and investment.</li></ul>   |
| <b>Market</b>               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Nguyen Anh Tuan, General Director of Vietnam Electricity (EVN), <a href="#">said</a> that It is highly unlikely that electricity prices will go down given the current demand.</li><li>• The Vietnam MOIT has just <a href="#">drafted</a> a Circular regulating the method of determining the electricity generation price and PPAs for the power plants.</li></ul>  |
| <b>Fuel</b>                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The \$5.4 billion Long Son Petrochemicals Complex, invested by Thailand's SCG Chemicals, <a href="#">began</a> a full trial run last month towards commercial operations in March 2024.</li></ul>   |
| <b>Grid</b>                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The National Power Transmission Corporation (EVNNPT) will <a href="#">commence</a> 34 electricity transmission projects and complete 63 others this year.</li></ul>   |
| <b>Planning/<br/>others</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Industry insiders and experts <a href="#">called</a> for long-term strategy and faster localisation for Vietnam's energy sector.</li></ul>  |