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1. Botswana: Chinese-built coal plant improves electricity capacity in Botswana

- Botswana's locally-generated electricity continues to improve with operational improvements of Morupule B Power Station, a coal-fired power station built by Chinese, Statistics Botswana has said.
- In its latest electricity generation and distribution report, Statistics Botswana said that electricity generated locally contributed 80.4 percent to electricity distributed during the first quarter of 2019, compared to a contribution of 71.1 percent recorded in the same period last year.
- According to the statistical agency, the stabilization of the power plant, built by the China National Electric Engineering Corporation, has contributed positively to power generation and lowered power imports.

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2. OPEC - Oil, gas instrumental to climate-change solution

- The Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries on Monday said that oil and gas remained part of key solutions in combating climate change.
- Secretary-General of the organisation, Mr Mohammad Barkindo, stated this in Vienna while speaking against the backdrop of mass mobilisation of civil society campaigns against the oil industry.
- Barkindo described as "misleading and dangerous" the position taken by civil society groups that the world would continue to depend on oil and gas in the future - especially as the resources would last until 2040 and account for over 50 per cent of the world energy basket.
- While condemning the campaign, he urged stakeholders, government and corporate organisations to rise to the challenge.

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3. Ghana: Ghanaian government working on new Gas Act

- Vice President Dr Mahamudu Bawumia says the delicate nature of the gas industry in the country makes it one that must be highly regulated.
- He said government will soon complete work on the transformation of the existing gas master plan into a gas law which will be used to regulate the Industry.

- The new law is expected to provide the enabling environment for investors as well as help government to implement new technologies for the gas sector.

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4. Nigeria: DPR shuts 17 illegal LPG outlets in Ibadan

- The Department of Petroleum Resources (DPR) in Ibadan said on Monday that it closed down 17 illegal LPG skid in Ibadan and issued warning to nine filling plants in the second quarter of 2019.
- The News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) reports that Mr Oluyemi Olaonipekun, the Operations Controller of Ibadan Field Office of DPR, disclosed this in Ibadan on Monday while speaking with newsmen.
- Olaonipekun said the DPR carried out its operations effectively in monitoring the operations of Retail Oil Marketers (ROM), Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) retailers and depot operators.

[Thenationonlineng.net](http://thenationonlineng.net)

5. Tanzania: Tanzanian wind farm receives environmental approval

- Wind power investor, Emerging Markets Power (EMP), was last week issued with an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) certificate, giving the much needed boost to the implementation of the Sh300 billion project.
- The National Environmental Management Council (Nemc) issued the EIA for EMP's wind farm project located in Nala Ward, Dodoma.
- Under Tanzania's laws, a project must have a Social and Environmental Impact Assessment before commencing implementation.

6. Tanzania: Shell says Tanzania's gas type is superb

- Shell said in Dar es Salaam that Tanzania is gifted with a kind of natural gas that has lowest carbon intensity in the multinational corporation's whole portfolio.
- In a statement issued in Dar es Salaam yesterday, Shell Tanzania explained the uniqueness of Tanzania LNG project in the global contest and its future relevance.
- Once complete and fully built, the statement noted, the Tanzania LNG plant will be one of the most unique projects in the oil and gas industry with respect to carbon footprint, largely due to the gas' high quality and low CO2 levels.

[Dailynews.co.tz](http://dailynews.co.tz)

7. Zambia: Zambia's fuel prices may rise

- The Government has projected a rise in the fuel pump prices driven by the depreciation of the Kwacha and increased cost of crude oil on the international market.
- Energy Minister Mathew Nkhwa told Parliament in a ministerial statement yesterday that since the last downward adjustment in February this year, the Kwacha depreciated.
- He said the Kwacha depreciated against the United States (US) dollar by 9.71 per cent from the February average rate of K11.94 to a dollar to the mid-year level of around K13.10 to a dollar.
- Mr Nkhwa said the price of crude oil, which was mainly imported by Government increased by 10.05 per cent from an average of US\$65.74 per barrel in February 2019 to an average of \$72.35 per barrel in May 2019.

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8. Nigeria: NNPC says selling petrol at N145 per litre no longer sustainable

- The Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) has said it was running at a loss insisting the pump price rate of N145 per litre for Premium Motor Spirit (PMS) was the bane on its revenue drive.
- The new Group Managing Director of the NNPC, Mele Kyari, made the disclosure on Wednesday, when the heads of revenue generation agencies and corporations met with the leadership of the Senate at the National Assembly complex in Abuja.
- Kyari said the pump price of PMS otherwise known as petrol in Nigeria was over 70 per cent less the price of N350, per litre in the neighbouring countries where the products were being smuggled to for higher profits.
- He however assured the Senator that the corporation would meet the revenue projection of the Appropriations Act since according to him, the NNPC was working tirelessly with the customs and security agencies in controlling and containing cross border activities of the oil smugglers.

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9. Nigeria: Sahara Power backs Africa free trade pact to transform continent's power sector

- Sahara Power Group's Managing Director Kola Adesina has said the African Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA) has the potential to transform the continent's power sector through alignment of policies, tariffs, cross border manpower collaboration and fresh injection of

capital.

- AfCFTA received a significant boost recently after Nigeria's President Muhammad Buhari signed the continent's largest economy on to AfCFTA which is the world's largest free trade zone covering a market of more than 1.2 billion people with a combined gross domestic product of \$3.4 trillion.
- Commending President Buhari for signing the deal, Adesina said AFCFTA has the potential to inspire a new wave of intra-African trade, investment and cooperation that will "propel governments and the private sector to take strategic steps towards repositioning the power industry across the continent."

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