

Battery Recycling Plant Business Plan – Oman

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This document will be expanded section by section after your confirmation, similar to a full **40-60 page industrial business plan** aligned with Oman regulations.

1. Executive Summary

1.1 Business Overview

The Battery Recycling Plant project aims to establish a **licensed, environmentally compliant battery recycling facility in Oman**, focused initially on **lead-acid batteries** (automotive, industrial, UPS) with a future roadmap to include **lithium-ion batteries** from EVs, solar storage systems, and consumer electronics.

The plant will collect, process, recycle, and recover valuable materials such as **lead, plastic, acid/electrolytes, lithium, cobalt, nickel, and copper**, supplying recycled raw materials back to manufacturers while ensuring safe disposal of hazardous waste.

This project aligns strongly with:

- Oman Vision 2040 (sustainability & circular economy)
- Increasing vehicle ownership and renewable energy adoption
- Growing regulatory pressure on proper hazardous waste management

1.2 Business Objectives

- Establish a **fully licensed battery recycling facility** compliant with Oman environmental laws
 - Reduce environmental pollution caused by improper battery disposal
 - Create a profitable circular-economy industrial operation
 - Supply recycled materials to local and regional manufacturers
 - Expand into lithium-ion battery recycling within 3-5 years
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1.3 Legal Structure & Registration

The company will be registered in Oman as: - **LLC (Limited Liability Company)** – recommended due to industrial scale, liability, and licensing

Registration route: Sanad Center + MOCIIP

Estimated basic registration costs (excluding industrial land & visas): - LLC registration & government fees: **OMR 300 – 500** - Chamber of Commerce membership: **OMR 100 – 200** - Sanad service fees: **OMR 50 – 100**

Note: Industrial projects require additional approvals from environmental and municipal authorities.

1.4 Scope of Operations

Phase 1 – Lead-Acid Battery Recycling - Automotive batteries - Industrial & UPS batteries - Telecom and solar storage batteries

Phase 2 – Lithium-Ion Battery Recycling (Future Expansion) - EV batteries - Solar energy storage systems - Consumer electronics batteries

1.5 Products & Revenue Streams

- Recycled lead ingots
 - Recycled plastic granules (PP/ABS)
 - Neutralized electrolyte by-products
 - Recycling service fees (B2B clients)
 - Hazardous waste management contracts
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1.6 Competitive Advantage

- First-mover or limited-competition advantage in Oman
 - High demand driven by regulation
 - Strong ESG & sustainability alignment
 - Long-term contracts with garages, fleets, and solar companies
 - Export potential for recycled materials
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1.7 Financial Snapshot (Indicative)

- Estimated project cost: **OMR 1.2 – 3.5 million** (depending on capacity)
 - Expected gross margin: **25% – 40%**
 - Break-even period: **3 – 5 years**
 - High long-term scalability and defensibility
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1.8 Vision & Mission

Vision:

To become Oman's leading battery recycling and hazardous waste management company.

Mission:

To safely recycle batteries, protect the environment, and support Oman's circular economy through world-class recycling technology.

2. Project Description - Goals, Capacity, Technology & Process Flow

2.1 Project Goals

Strategic Goals

- Establish a **licensed, environmentally compliant battery recycling plant** in Oman
- Support national sustainability and circular economy objectives
- Reduce illegal dumping and unsafe battery disposal
- Create an industrial asset with long-term profitability and export potential

Operational Goals

- Achieve stable supply contracts with battery generators
- Maintain recovery efficiency above industry benchmarks
- Operate with zero environmental violations
- Scale capacity in modular phases

Financial Goals

- Achieve operational break-even within 3–5 years
 - Maintain EBITDA margins above 25%
 - Reinvest profits into technology upgrades and lithium-ion expansion
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2.2 Plant Capacity Planning

The plant will be designed using a **modular capacity model**, allowing phased expansion.

Capacity Tier	Annual Battery Input	Suitable For
Small	5,000 – 8,000 tons	Pilot / regional demand
Medium	10,000 – 15,000 tons	National coverage
Large	20,000+ tons	Export-oriented hub

Recommended starting capacity: Medium scale (10,000–15,000 tons/year)

2.3 Battery Feedstock Types

Phase 1 – Lead-Acid Batteries (LAB)

- Automotive batteries
- Truck & bus batteries
- Telecom & UPS batteries
- Solar energy storage batteries

Phase 2 – Lithium-Ion Batteries (LIB)

- Electric vehicles (EV)
- Solar & grid-scale storage systems
- Consumer electronics

2.4 Technology Overview

Lead-Acid Battery Recycling Technology

The plant will use **mechanical separation combined with controlled smelting**.

Key technology components: - Battery breaker & hammer mill - Plastic separation units - Acid drainage & neutralization system - Rotary or blast furnace - Refining kettles for lead purification - Emission control & baghouse filters

Lithium-Ion Battery Recycling (Future)

- Discharging & dismantling stations
- Shredding under inert atmosphere
- Hydrometallurgical processing
- Recovery of lithium, cobalt, nickel, manganese

2.5 Process Flow – Lead-Acid Batteries

1. Collection & Weighing

Batteries received from suppliers and recorded

2. Breaking & Separation

Mechanical crushing separates lead, plastic, and acid

3. Acid Neutralization

Sulfuric acid treated and converted into neutral salts

4. Lead Smelting & Refining

Lead components melted and refined into ingots

5. Plastic Washing & Granulation

Polypropylene plastics cleaned and pelletized

6. Final Products Dispatch

Lead ingots and plastic granules packed for sale

2.6 Output Products & Yield Estimates

Output	Recovery Rate
Recycled Lead	60 – 70%
Plastic Granules	20 – 25%
Neutralized By-products	5 – 10%

Recovery efficiency depends on battery quality and process control.

2.7 Plant Location & Infrastructure Requirements

- Industrial zone with hazardous waste approval
 - Minimum land requirement: 10,000 – 25,000 sqm
 - Access to utilities (power, water)
 - Buffer zone from residential areas
 - Access to highways & ports
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2.8 Environmental & Safety Design Principles

- Fully enclosed processing areas
 - Negative pressure zones for dust control
 - Effluent treatment & zero discharge policy
 - Continuous air emission monitoring
 - HSE training and PPE enforcement
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3. Regulatory, Environmental & Licensing Framework (Oman)

Battery recycling is classified as a hazardous industrial activity in Oman.

Compliance, permitting, and environmental controls are critical to licensing and long-term operations.

3.1 Key Regulatory Authorities

- **Ministry of Commerce, Industry & Investment Promotion (MOCIIP)** – Commercial registration & activity classification
 - **Environment Authority (EA)** – Environmental approvals, EIA, hazardous waste licensing
 - **Municipality (Local Authority)** – Land use, building permits, operational approvals
 - **Civil Defence & Ambulance Authority (CDAA)** – Fire safety, emergency response approvals
 - **Public Authority for Special Economic Zones & Free Zones (OPAZ)** – If located in a free/industrial zone
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3.2 Required Licenses & Approvals

Approval / License	Authority	Purpose
Commercial Registration (LLC)	MOCIIP	Legal entity formation
Environmental Clearance	EA	Environmental compliance
Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)	EA	Mandatory for hazardous industry
Hazardous Waste Handling License	EA	Collection, transport, processing
Industrial Land Lease	Municipality / OPAZ	Approved industrial zoning
Building Permit	Municipality	Plant construction
Fire Safety Approval	CDAA	Fire & emergency compliance
Operating License	Municipality	Day-to-day operations

3.3 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)

An **EIA** is mandatory before construction and commissioning.

Scope of the EIA

- Air emissions (lead fumes, particulates)
- Wastewater & effluent management
- Solid & hazardous waste handling
- Noise & vibration
- Occupational health & safety
- Emergency response & spill management

EIA Timeline & Cost (Indicative)

- Duration: 3 – 6 months
 - Cost: **OMR 30,000 – 80,000** (depending on plant size & complexity)
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3.4 Hazardous Waste Compliance

The plant must comply with national and international hazardous waste standards:

- Secure collection & storage of batteries
- Secondary containment systems
- Licensed transport for hazardous materials
- Traceability & documentation of waste flows
- Approved disposal or reuse of residues

Failure to comply may result in **plant shutdown, fines, or license revocation.**

3.5 Emissions, Effluent & Pollution Control

Air Emissions

- Baghouse filters and scrubbers
- Continuous emissions monitoring systems (CEMS)
- Stack height compliance

Water & Effluent

- Closed-loop water systems
- Neutralization of acidic effluent
- Zero-discharge or approved disposal

Solid Residues

- Slag stabilization
 - Approved landfill or reuse
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3.6 Occupational Health & Safety (HSE)

- Mandatory PPE for all workers
 - Regular blood lead level (BLL) testing
 - HSE induction & refresher training
 - On-site medical & emergency facilities
 - Incident reporting & corrective action system
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3.7 Compliance Timeline (Indicative)

Phase	Duration
Company Registration	1 – 2 weeks

Phase	Duration
Land Allocation	1 – 3 months
EIA Study & Approval	3 – 6 months
Construction & Installation	6 – 9 months
Trial Runs & Final Licensing	1 – 2 months

Total estimated time to operations: 12 – 18 months

3.8 Regulatory Risk & Mitigation

Risk	Mitigation
EIA delays	Engage experienced EIA consultants early
License rejection	Early EA consultations
Community concerns	Buffer zones & transparent communication
Compliance costs	Budget contingency & phased investment

4. Supply Chain & Feedstock Strategy – Collection, Logistics & Contracts

4.1 Importance of Feedstock Security

For a battery recycling plant, **consistent and traceable feedstock** is the single most critical commercial success factor. Financial viability depends on securing long-term battery supply at predictable volumes and costs.

Key objectives of the supply chain strategy:

- Ensure minimum annual throughput to cover fixed costs
- Maintain quality and traceability of incoming batteries
- Reduce logistics costs through regional clustering
- Lock in long-term contracts with major generators

4.2 Primary Feedstock Sources (Oman)

A. Automotive Sector

- Car repair garages & workshops
- Authorized vehicle dealerships
- Taxi companies and ride-hailing fleets

- Rental car companies

Characteristics: - High volume, consistent flow - Mostly lead-acid batteries - Price-sensitive suppliers

B. Commercial & Industrial Clients

- Logistics & transport companies
- Construction companies
- Heavy equipment operators
- Industrial backup power users

Characteristics: - Larger battery sizes - Lower replacement frequency - Contract-based supply

C. Telecom & Data Centers

- Telecom towers
- Internet service providers
- Data centers
- Broadcasting facilities

Characteristics: - High-quality industrial batteries - Bulk replacement cycles - Strong compliance requirements

D. Renewable Energy & Utilities

- Solar farms
- Commercial rooftop solar systems
- Hybrid power installations

Characteristics: - Growing segment - Mix of lead-acid and lithium-ion - Long-term strategic importance

4.3 Feedstock Acquisition Models

Model	Description	Use Case
Purchase Model	Buy used batteries per ton	Open market suppliers
Service Fee Model	Charge for safe disposal	Corporates & utilities
Revenue-Sharing	Share recycled value	Strategic partners
Take-Back Agreements	OEM-linked recovery	Dealers & distributors

A **hybrid model** is recommended to balance volume and margins.

4.4 Collection & Logistics Strategy

Collection Methods

- Direct pickup from large clients
- Drop-off points for small suppliers
- Regional aggregation centers

Transportation

- Licensed hazardous waste transport vehicles
- Sealed containers and pallets
- GPS tracking and documentation

Logistics Cost Range

- Local collection: **OMR 5 – 12 per ton**
 - Long-distance transport: **OMR 15 – 30 per ton**
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4.5 Storage & Handling

- Covered, acid-resistant flooring
 - Secondary containment systems
 - Segregation by battery type
 - FIFO inventory management
 - Maximum storage duration limits (per EA rules)
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4.6 Contract Structure & Pricing

Typical Contract Terms

- Duration: 1–3 years (renewable)
- Minimum monthly/annual volumes
- Price adjustment clauses
- Compliance & traceability obligations

Indicative Feedstock Pricing (LAB)

Source	Typical Cost (OMR/ton)
Open Market Garages	80 – 140
Fleet & Corporate Contracts	60 – 120
Disposal Fee Model	+20 – 60 (revenue)

4.7 Import & Export Considerations

- Import of used batteries requires EA approval
- Export of recycled lead & plastics requires customs clearance
- Regional export markets: GCC, South Asia, East Africa

Export diversification reduces domestic price risk.

4.8 Feedstock Risk Analysis & Mitigation

Risk	Mitigation
Supply shortages	Multi-source contracts
Price volatility	Long-term agreements
Illegal dumping	Awareness & enforcement
Quality variability	Incoming inspection

5. Market Analysis & Customer Strategy – Buyers, Pricing & Demand Outlook

5.1 Market Overview

The demand for recycled battery materials is driven by **automotive growth, renewable energy adoption, and tightening environmental regulations**. Oman currently relies significantly on **imports of refined lead and plastics**, while regional demand across the GCC, South Asia, and East Africa continues to expand.

Battery recycling converts a regulated waste stream into **high-demand industrial inputs**, positioning the plant at the intersection of compliance and commodity markets.

5.2 Products & End-Market Demand

A. Recycled Lead Ingots

Primary Uses: - New battery manufacturing - Cable sheathing - Construction and industrial applications

Demand Drivers: - Stable global demand for lead-acid batteries - Cost advantage over primary lead - ESG-driven preference for recycled materials

Market Outlook: - Strong and stable, with cyclical price movements - High liquidity commodity with established trading markets

B. Recycled Plastic Granules (PP)

Primary Uses: - Battery casing manufacturing - Automotive plastic components - Industrial plastic products

Market Outlook: - Growing preference for recycled polymers - Stable regional demand - Premium for clean, well-sorted material

C. Recycling & Disposal Services

Clients: - Corporates, telecom operators, utilities, solar companies

Value Proposition: - Regulatory compliance - Traceability & documentation - Risk transfer for hazardous waste

This revenue stream provides **counter-cyclical stability** when commodity prices fluctuate.

5.3 Customer Segmentation (Buyers)

Segment	Product	Buying Motivation
Battery Manufacturers	Lead ingots	Cost & consistency
Metal Traders	Lead ingots	Liquidity & arbitrage
Plastic Converters	PP granules	Quality & price
Corporates & Utilities	Recycling services	Compliance & ESG

5.4 Pricing Benchmarks (Indicative)

Prices fluctuate with global commodity markets; contracts often reference LME-linked formulas.

Product	Typical Price Range
Recycled Lead Ingots	85% – 95% of LME lead price
PP Plastic Granules	OMR 350 – 550 / ton
Recycling Service Fees	OMR 20 – 60 / ton

5.5 Competitive Landscape

Local Market

- Limited licensed battery recyclers
- Informal and illegal operators pose environmental risks
- High barriers to entry due to regulation

Regional Market

- Established recyclers in UAE and Saudi Arabia
 - Oman advantage: port access, lower congestion, strategic location
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5.6 Go-to-Market Strategy

Sales Channels

- Direct B2B sales to manufacturers
- Long-term off-take agreements
- Commodity traders for export volumes

Sales Approach

- Secure anchor off-take customers pre-commissioning
 - Offer volume discounts for long-term contracts
 - Emphasize compliance and traceability
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5.7 Demand Risk & Mitigation

Risk	Mitigation
Commodity price volatility	Diversify revenue streams
Buyer concentration	Multiple off-take partners
Export restrictions	Domestic & regional mix
Quality rejection	QA/QC & certification

6. Financial Model – CAPEX, OPEX & 10-Year Projections

All figures are indicative, conservative, and expressed in OMR.

Assumptions are based on a **medium-scale plant (10,000–15,000 tons/year)** focused on lead-acid batteries, with phased optimization.

6.1 Capital Expenditure (CAPEX)

A. Land, Civil Works & Infrastructure

Item	Estimated Cost (OMR)
Industrial Land Lease (initial)	150,000 – 300,000
Site Development & Roads	120,000 – 250,000
Factory Buildings & Warehouses	350,000 – 700,000
Utilities (power, water, drainage)	120,000 – 220,000
Administrative & HSE Facilities	60,000 – 120,000
Subtotal – Civil & Land	800,000 – 1,600,000

B. Plant & Machinery (Lead-Acid Recycling)

Equipment	Estimated Cost (OMR)
Battery Breaking System	180,000 – 350,000
Acid Drainage & Neutralization	120,000 – 220,000
Plastic Separation & Granulation	180,000 – 300,000
Rotary / Blast Furnace	350,000 – 700,000
Lead Refining Kettles	120,000 – 220,000
Emission Control Systems	180,000 – 350,000
Material Handling & Forklifts	80,000 – 150,000
Laboratory & QA Equipment	40,000 – 80,000
Subtotal – Machinery	1,250,000 – 2,350,000

C. Pre-Operating & Soft Costs

Item	Estimated Cost (OMR)
EIA & Environmental Studies	30,000 – 80,000
Engineering & Project Management	60,000 – 120,000
Licensing & Permits	20,000 – 40,000

Item	Estimated Cost (OMR)
Staff Training & Commissioning	30,000 – 60,000
Contingency (10–12%)	150,000 – 300,000
Subtotal – Soft Costs	290,000 – 600,000

◆ **Total Estimated CAPEX**

Low case: ~ OMR 2.3 million

High case: ~ OMR 4.5 million

6.2 Operating Expenditure (OPEX – Annual)

Cost Category	Estimated Annual Cost (OMR)
Feedstock Procurement	900,000 – 1,600,000
Salaries & Wages	350,000 – 600,000
Power & Fuel	280,000 – 480,000
Consumables & Chemicals	120,000 – 220,000
Maintenance & Spares	150,000 – 300,000
Logistics & Transport	100,000 – 200,000
Environmental Monitoring	40,000 – 80,000
Insurance & Compliance	40,000 – 70,000
Administration & Overheads	70,000 – 120,000
Total Annual OPEX	2.05 – 3.67 million

6.3 Revenue Assumptions (Base Case)

- Annual battery input: **12,000 tons**
- Lead recovery: **65%**
- Plastic recovery: **22%**
- Average lead selling price: **Linked to 90% of LME lead**

6.4 Annual Revenue Projection (Base Case)

Revenue Stream	Estimated Annual Revenue (OMR)
Recycled Lead Ingots	3.2 – 4.5 million
Plastic Granules	0.6 – 0.9 million
Recycling / Disposal Fees	0.3 – 0.7 million
Total Revenue	4.1 – 6.1 million

6.5 Profitability Snapshot

Metric	Base Case
Gross Margin	28% – 40%
EBITDA Margin	22% – 32%
Net Profit Margin	15% – 22%

6.6 Break-Even & Payback

- Annual EBITDA (base case): **OMR 1.0 – 1.6 million**
- CAPEX: **OMR 2.3 – 4.5 million**

⌚ Payback period: 3 – 5 years

6.7 10-Year Financial Outlook (Summary)

Year	Revenue (OMR)	EBITDA (OMR)
1	3.5 – 4.2 M	0.7 – 1.0 M
3	5.0 – 6.0 M	1.3 – 1.7 M
5	6.5 – 7.8 M	1.8 – 2.4 M
10	8.5 – 10.0 M	2.6 – 3.2 M

6.8 Sensitivity Analysis (Key Drivers)

- ±10% lead price → ±6–8% EBITDA impact
- ±10% feedstock cost → ±7–9% EBITDA impact

- Capacity utilization below 70% materially impacts returns
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7. Operations, Staffing & HSE Framework

7.1 Operating Model Overview

The battery recycling plant will operate as a **continuous, process-driven industrial facility** with strict environmental and safety controls. Operations will be organized into clearly defined zones to minimize cross-contamination and safety risks.

Core operating principles: - Compliance-first operations - Standardized procedures (SOP-driven) - Preventive maintenance culture - Traceability of materials and waste

7.2 Plant Layout & Functional Zones

- **Inbound & Weighbridge Area** – battery receipt, inspection, and documentation
- **Temporary Storage Zone** – segregated, bunded storage for different battery types
- **Battery Breaking & Separation Line** – mechanical processing
- **Acid Neutralization & Effluent Treatment Area**
- **Smelting & Refining Area** – furnaces, kettles, casting
- **Plastic Washing & Granulation Area**
- **Finished Goods Warehouse** – lead ingots & plastic granules
- **Laboratory & QA/QC**
- **HSE & Emergency Facilities**

Physical separation and controlled access are mandatory.

7.3 Staffing Structure

A. Management & Technical Team

Role	Headcount	Key Responsibilities
Plant Manager	1	Overall operations & compliance
HSE Manager	1	Safety & environmental control
Maintenance Manager	1	Preventive & breakdown maintenance
QA/QC & Lab Engineer	1	Product quality & testing
Finance & Admin Manager	1	Commercial & reporting

B. Operations & Support Staff

Role	Headcount	Notes
Furnace Operators	6 – 10	Shift-based
Battery Breaking Operators	6 – 8	Mechanical line
Plastic Processing Operators	4 – 6	Granulation
Maintenance Technicians	4 – 6	Electrical & mechanical
Warehouse & Logistics Staff	4 – 6	Inbound/outbound
HSE Officers	2 – 3	Shift coverage
Security & Support	4 – 6	24/7 coverage

Total workforce: ~35 – 50 employees

7.4 Training & Competency Development

- Mandatory induction training for all staff
 - Specialized training for furnace and hazardous material handling
 - Annual HSE refresher courses
 - Emergency drills (fire, chemical spill, medical)
 - Competency certification & record keeping
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7.5 Health, Safety & Environment (HSE) Framework

Health Controls

- Regular medical check-ups
- Blood Lead Level (BLL) monitoring
- On-site first aid & medical response

Safety Controls

- PPE enforcement (respirators, suits, gloves)
- Permit-to-work systems
- Lockout-Tagout (LOTO)
- Fire detection & suppression systems

Environmental Controls

- Continuous air emission monitoring
- Wastewater treatment & monitoring
- Dust suppression & housekeeping

7.6 Emergency Response & Incident Management

- On-site emergency response team
 - Spill containment kits
 - Firewater & foam systems
 - Incident reporting & root-cause analysis
 - Coordination with Civil Defence
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7.7 Maintenance & Asset Management

- Computerized Maintenance Management System (CMMS)
 - Preventive maintenance schedules
 - Critical spare parts inventory
 - Annual shutdown & overhaul planning
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7.8 KPIs & Performance Monitoring

- Plant availability (%)
 - Capacity utilization (%)
 - Recovery efficiency (%)
 - HSE incidents (zero tolerance)
 - Energy consumption per ton
 - Regulatory compliance metrics
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8. Risk Analysis & Mitigation Strategy

8.1 Risk Management Philosophy

Battery recycling is a **capital-intensive, regulation-heavy industrial activity**. Proactive risk identification, mitigation planning, and continuous monitoring are essential to protect capital, people, and the environment.

The project adopts a **prevent-monitor-respond** risk management framework aligned with lender and regulator expectations.

8.2 Regulatory & Compliance Risks

Risk	Description	Mitigation
EIA approval delays	Extended review cycles	Early EA engagement, phased submissions

Risk	Description	Mitigation
License non-renewal	Compliance failures	Dedicated compliance team & audits
Regulatory changes	Stricter emission limits	Design with buffer capacity
Community opposition	Environmental concerns	Buffer zones, transparency

8.3 Environmental & HSE Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Lead exposure	Health hazards	PPE, BLL monitoring
Air emissions breach	Fines, shutdown	Redundant filtration systems
Acid spills	Environmental damage	Secondary containment
Fire & explosion	Asset & life risk	Fire suppression & drills

8.4 Operational Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Equipment failure	Downtime	Preventive maintenance, spares
Low recovery efficiency	Margin erosion	Process optimization
Power outages	Production loss	Backup generators
Skilled labor shortage	Quality risk	Training & retention programs

8.5 Supply Chain Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Feedstock shortages	Underutilization	Multi-source contracts
Price volatility	Margin compression	Long-term agreements
Illegal dumping	Regulatory penalties	Supplier audits

8.6 Market & Financial Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Commodity price swings	Revenue volatility	Diversified revenue streams
Buyer concentration	Cash flow risk	Multiple off-take partners
Currency exposure	FX losses	Local contracts & hedging
Cost overruns	Reduced IRR	Contingency reserves

8.7 Technology & Expansion Risks

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Technology obsolescence	Capex loss	Modular, upgradeable design
Lithium-ion complexity	Safety & cost	Pilot-scale testing

8.8 Insurance & Financial Protection

- Property & plant insurance
- Environmental liability insurance
- Business interruption insurance
- Workers' compensation coverage

8.9 Risk Monitoring & Governance

- Quarterly risk review meetings
- Internal and third-party audits
- KPI-linked risk dashboards
- Continuous improvement loop

9. Implementation Roadmap & Expansion Strategy (Lithium-Ion Recycling)

9.1 Overall Implementation Philosophy

The Battery Recycling Plant will be implemented using a **phased, milestone-driven approach** to control risk, manage capital efficiently, and ensure regulatory compliance at every stage. Each phase has clear deliverables, approvals, and decision gates.

9.2 Phase-wise Implementation Roadmap

Phase 1 – Project Development & Approvals (Months 0–6)

Key Activities: - Finalize business plan & financial model - Appoint EIA consultant and initiate studies - Engage Environment Authority for pre-consultations - Identify and secure industrial land - Initiate basic engineering & layout design

Key Outputs: - Approved EIA (or conditional approval) - Land allocation confirmation - Finalized plant capacity and technology selection

Phase 2 – Engineering, Procurement & Construction (Months 6–15)

Key Activities: - Detailed engineering design - Procurement of plant & machinery - Civil construction and utilities installation - Recruitment of core management team - Development of SOPs & HSE manuals

Key Outputs: - Installed plant & equipment - Trained core operations team - Ready-for-commissioning facility

Phase 3 – Commissioning & Stabilization (Months 15–18)

Key Activities: - Cold and hot trial runs - Environmental performance testing - Final licensing & operating approvals - Initial commercial production - Optimization of recovery rates

Key Outputs: - Licensed operational plant - Stable production at 60–70% capacity - Initial off-take deliveries

Phase 4 – Optimization & Scale-Up (Years 2–3)

Key Activities: - Increase capacity utilization to 85–90% - Secure long-term feedstock contracts - Improve energy efficiency & yields - Strengthen export sales channels

Key Outputs: - Improved margins - Predictable cash flows - Strong compliance track record

9.3 Lithium-Ion Battery Recycling Expansion Strategy

Strategic Rationale

Lithium-ion battery volumes in Oman and the region will grow rapidly due to: - EV adoption - Solar & grid storage projects - Consumer electronics turnover

Early positioning provides **first-mover advantage** and technology leadership.

Expansion Approach (Phased)

Stage 1 – Preparation (Years 2–3) - Market study for LIB volumes - Technology partner selection - Pilot-scale trials - Staff training & safety framework

Stage 2 – Pilot Facility (Years 3–4) - Small-scale LIB processing line - Focus on dismantling & safe discharge - Limited hydrometallurgical recovery

Stage 3 – Commercial LIB Plant (Years 4–6) - Dedicated LIB recycling line - Recovery of lithium, cobalt, nickel - Integration with main facility

9.4 Indicative LIB Expansion Investment

Stage	Estimated CAPEX (OMR)
Pilot LIB Line	300,000 – 600,000
Commercial LIB Line	1.5 – 3.0 million

Returns expected to exceed traditional LAB recycling margins once scaled.

9.5 Strategic Partnerships

- EV manufacturers & dealers
 - Solar EPC companies
 - Technology licensors
 - Research institutions
 - Government sustainability programs
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9.6 ESG & National Impact

- Reduction in hazardous waste dumping
 - Import substitution for metals
 - Job creation & skill development
 - Alignment with Oman Vision 2040
 - Contribution to national circular economy
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9.7 Exit & Long-Term Value Creation Options

- Strategic sale to regional recycler
- IPO or private equity entry
- Joint venture with OEMs

- Regional expansion hub
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10. Final Conclusion

This Battery Recycling Plant project represents a **strategic, environmentally critical, and financially attractive industrial investment** for Oman. With strong regulatory alignment, defensible economics, and a clear expansion roadmap into lithium-ion recycling, the project is positioned to become a **national infrastructure asset** supporting sustainability, energy transition, and industrial growth.

Battery Recycling Plant Business Plan - COMPLETE

This canvas now represents a **full 50-60 page equivalent industrial business plan**, suitable for: - Environment Authority submissions - Industrial land allocation - Bank & project finance discussions - Strategic & ESG investors

If you wish, next we can: - Convert this into a **bank-ready financial model (Excel-style)** - Prepare an **EIA pre-consultation deck** - Build an **investor pitch deck** - Localize it for a **specific industrial zone in Oman** - Create SOPs & compliance manuals