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- **EPR Credit Exchange & Common EPR Portal** – current status and implications
- **Goa DRS** and **SWM Rules, 2026** – what's new and businesses should watch closely
 - Recent **notices** and **circulars** across all EPR streams
 - Dedicated **Q&A** Session

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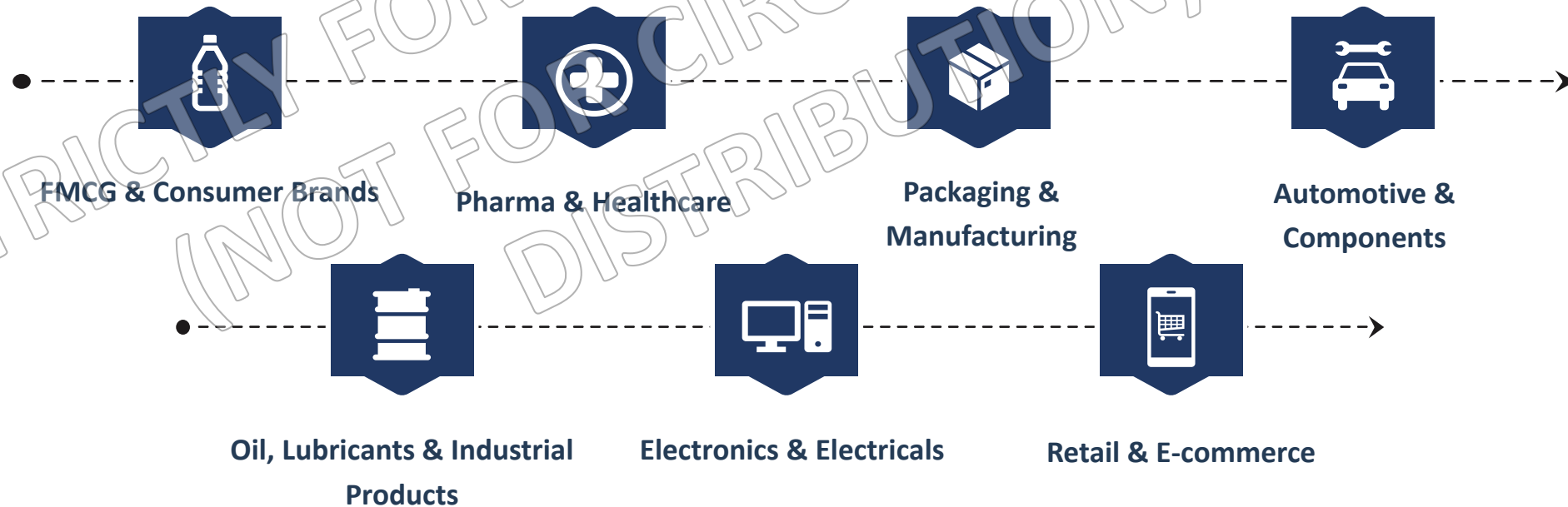
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We partner with organizations across the **entire EPR lifecycle** — from applicability and strategy to compliance, fulfilment, assurance, and future readiness.

We consume EPR knowledge from across 5+ nations, in product & packaging frameworks.

India regulatory coverage:

Plastic Packaging, E-waste, Batteries, Used Oil, ELV, and emerging EPR streams

Global regulatory coverage:

UK, Japan, Korea, Indonesia

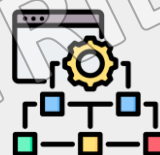
Our **EPR Custodianship Program** acts as a one-stop solution for organizations seeking clarity, continuity, and confidence.



ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIAL GOVERNANCE

We help organizations adopt sustainability not as a luxury, but as a practical business transformation lever.

We start small, focus on fundamentals, and build ROI-feasible, implementable ESG pathways.



ESG Frameworks

(Indian – BRSR and global - GRI)



CIRCULARITY SOLUTIONS

We help organizations move from compliance to opportunity by building practical circular outcomes.

Recyclability of Packaging

We assess packaging, identify recyclability gaps, and guide brands to become recyclable and future-ready using a UK-framework, tool-led approach.

Use of Recycled Content

We enable recycled material adoption — from diagnostics to supplier enablement, claims validation, and verification.

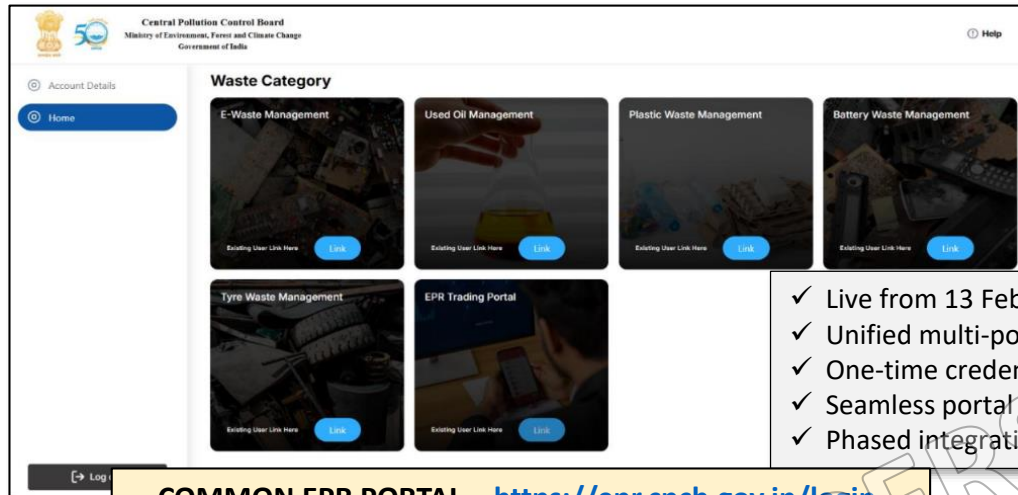
Reuse & Refill

We support testing and implementation of reuse and refill models aligned with regulation and real-world feasibility

NEW EPR PORTALS

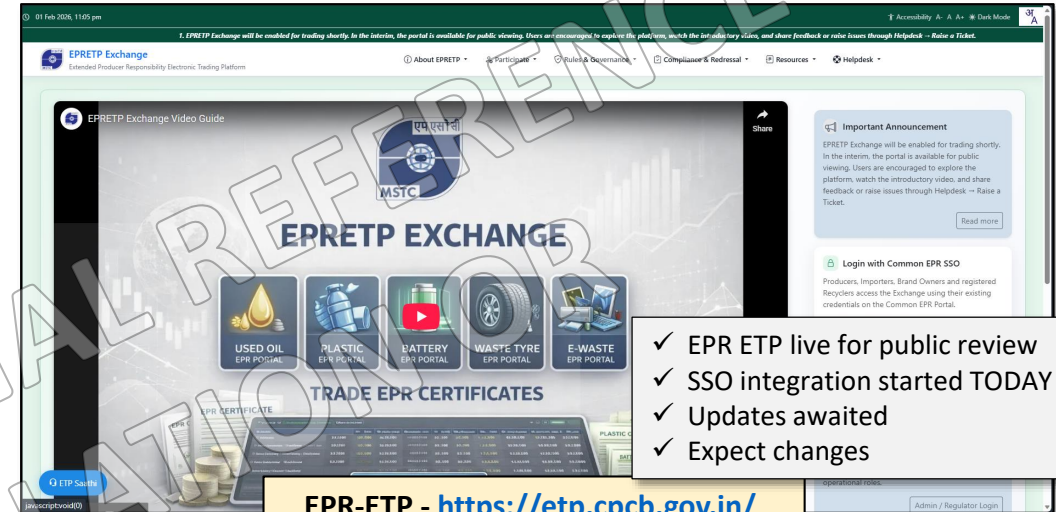
ACROSS ALL EPR STREAMS

EPR Portals



- ✓ Live from 13 Feb 2026
- ✓ Unified multi-portal login
- ✓ One-time credential linking
- ✓ Seamless portal switching
- ✓ Phased integrations planned

**COMMON EPR PORTAL – <https://epr.cpcb.gov.in/login>
RELEASED ON: 27th Jan 2026**



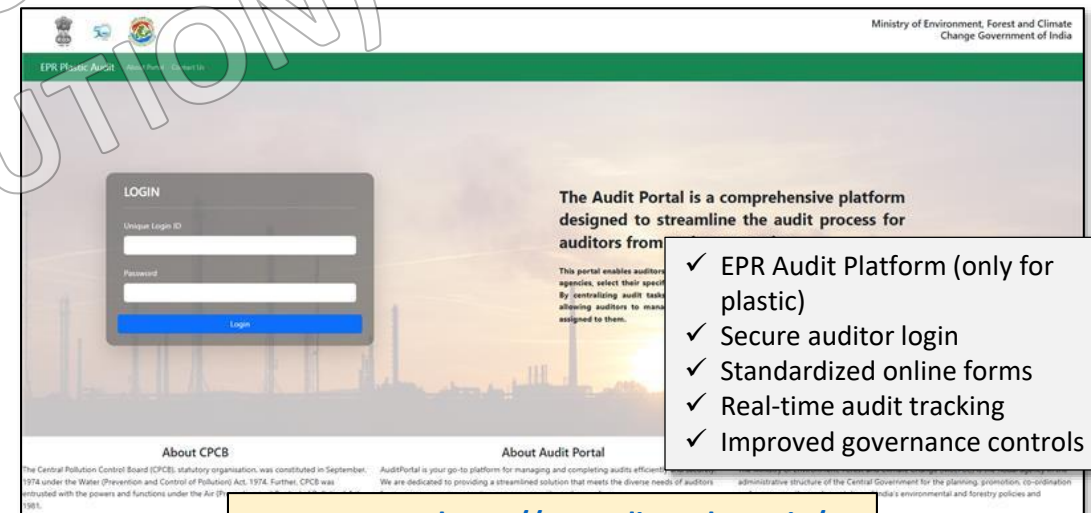
- ✓ EPR ETP live for public review
- ✓ SSO integration started TODAY
- ✓ Updates awaited
- ✓ Expect changes

**EPR-ETP - <https://etp.cpcb.gov.in/>
RELEASED ON: 01st Feb 2026**



- ✓ Centralized grievance system
- ✓ Unified ticket dashboard
- ✓ Real-time status tracking

**EPR SUPPORT PORTAL - <https://eprsupport.cpcb.gov.in/>
RELEASED ON: 30th Jan 2026**



- ✓ EPR Audit Platform (only for plastic)
- ✓ Secure auditor login
- ✓ Standardized online forms
- ✓ Real-time audit tracking
- ✓ Improved governance controls

**EPR AUDIT - <https://epraudit.cpcb.gov.in/>
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CPCB'S EPR ELECTRONIC TRADING PLATFORM

DEVELOPED BY MSTC LTD.

ETP – Structural Shift for trading EPR Credits

01 Feb 2026, 11:05 pm

1. EPRETP Exchange will be enabled for trading shortly. In the interim, the portal is available for public viewing. Users are encouraged to explore the platform, watch the introductory video, and share feedback or raise issues through Helpdesk → Raise a Ticket.

EPRETP Exchange
Extended Producer Responsibility Electronic Trading Platform

About EPRETP · Participate · Rules & Governance · Compliance & Redressal · Resources · Helpdesk

EPRETP Exchange Video Guide

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EPRETP EXCHANGE

USED OIL EPR PORTAL
PLASTIC EPR PORTAL
BATTERY EPR PORTAL
WASTE TYRE EPR PORTAL
E-WASTE EPR PORTAL

TRADE EPR CERTIFICATES


TRADE NOW

Important Announcement
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Read more

Login with Common EPR SSO
Producers, Importers, Brand Owners and registered Recyclers access the Exchange using their existing credentials on the Common EPR Portal.
Single sign-in via the Common EPR Portal.
Access determined by your EPR registration and approvals.
You will be redirected to EPR SSO and returned here after login.
Proceed to EPR SSO

Admin / Regulator Login
For authorised users from CPCB, MoEFCC, MSTC and other designated bodies with oversight or operational roles.
Admin / Regulator Login

Key Highlights of the EPR ETP

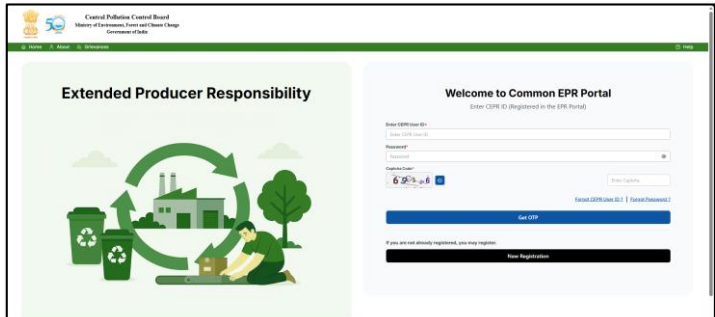
- CPCB-enabled **centralised trading exchange** for EPR certificates across waste streams (plastic, e-waste, battery, etc.)

- Developed by **MSTC (Govt. PSU)**, published for industry review & feedback.
- Introduces **transparent, market-based price matching within the floor/ ceiling price band.**
- Training for Recyclers/ Waste Processors conducted.
- Registration only for obligated entities registered under EPR regulations.
- ETP released on **1st Feb 2026**
- MSTC was awarded tender on **12th September 2025.**

- Current link not active for registrations
- No documents available currently
- Expected to release by end of this month
- Chatbot & MSTC contact details provided

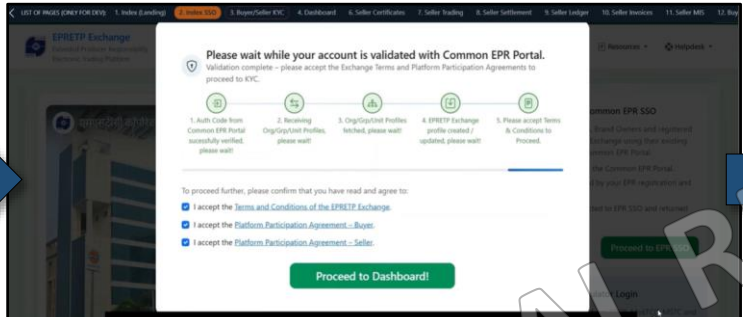
Contact For EPR ETP Feedback:

- **Phone Number:** 07969066600
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ETP Flow for Buyer



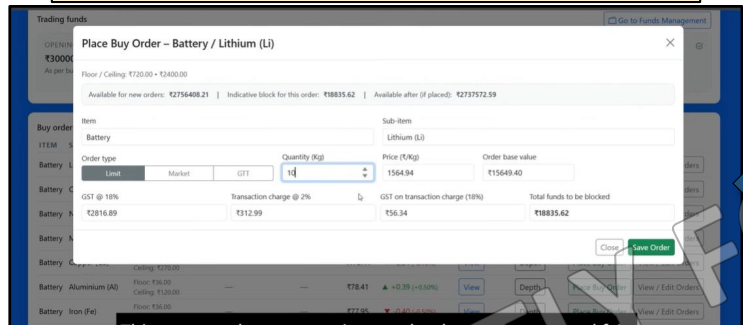
REGISTRATION VIA COMMON EPR PORTAL & PROVIDE KYC DETAILS



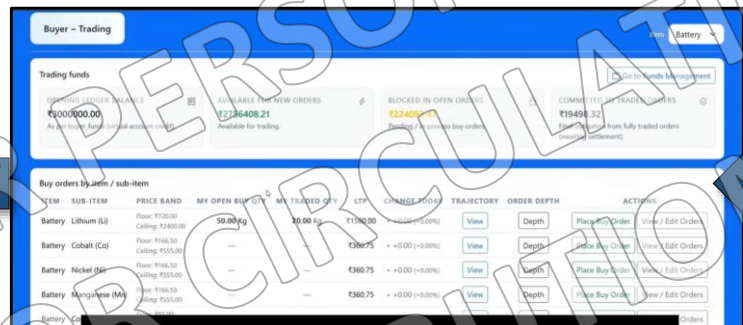
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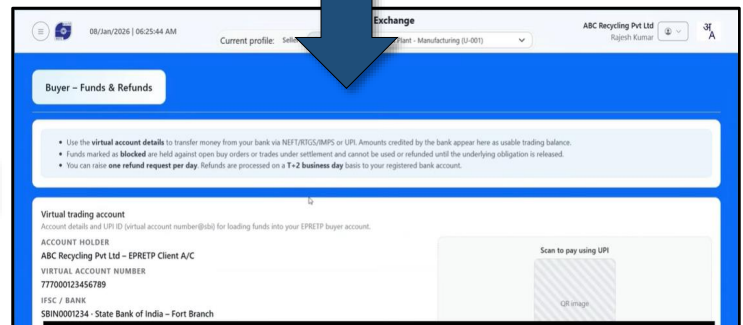
BUYER'S DASHBOARD



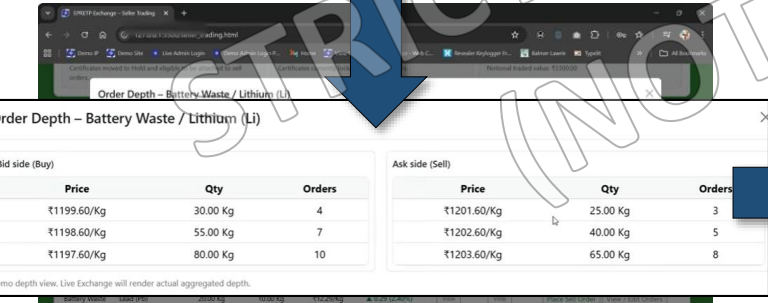
ORDER PLACEMENT VIA OTP



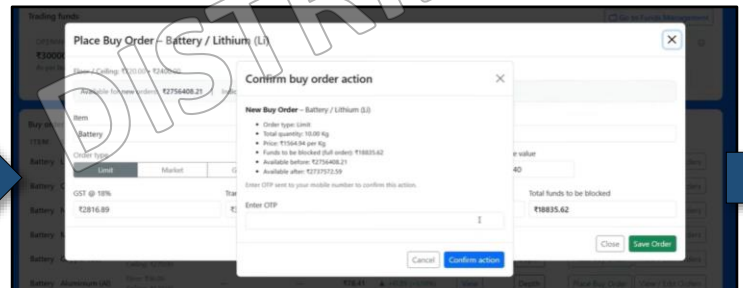
BUYER'S TRADING PAGE



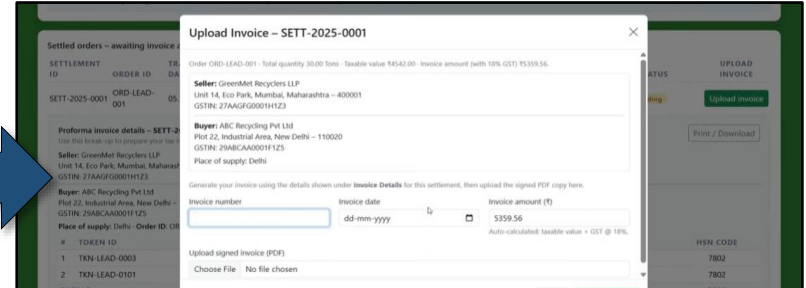
ADD FUNDS TO ESCROW



ORDER DEPTH



AUTO CREDIT TRANSFER & KNOW YOUR RECYCLER



SELLER TO UPLOAD DETAILS AND INVOICE TO RECEIVE PAYMENT (T+2)

Buyer's Dashboard

EPRETP Exchange

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Current profile: Seller Buyer

Gurugram Plant - Manufacturing (U-001)

ABC Recycling Pvt Ltd
Rajesh Kumar

Simulation view
Off-market Continuous trading

Trading open
Orders are matched within CPCB price bands (Floor = 30% of EC, Ceiling = 100% of EC).

Price bands

Category	Sub-cat	Floor (30% of EC)	Ceiling (100% of EC)	Last Traded Price	Last Traded Volume (Units)
Battery Waste	Lead (Pb)	₹5.40 /Kg	₹18.00 /Kg	₹12.60 /Kg	58,000 Kg
Battery Waste	Lithium (Li)	₹720.00 /Kg	₹2,400.00 /Kg	₹1,800.00 /Kg	3,420 Kg
Battery Waste	Cobalt (Co)	₹166.50 /Kg	₹555.00 /Kg	₹420.00 /Kg	1,860 Kg

EC = Environmental Compensation. Floor Price = 30% of EC. Ceiling Price = 100% of EC. All prices in ₹/Unit.

Price trajectory
Select a Category and sub-category to view price movement

Plastics Cat I Last 15 days

LTP (₹/Unit)

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Buyer's Fund Management

Main navigation ✕

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EPRETP Exchange

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Current profile: Seller **Buyer** Gurugram Plant - Manufacturing (U-001)

ABC Recycling Pvt Ltd
Rajesh Kumar

Buyer – Funds & Refunds

- Use the **virtual account details** to transfer money from your bank via NEFT/RTGS/IMPS or UPI. Amounts credited by the bank appear here as usable trading balance.
- Funds marked as **blocked** are held against open buy orders or trades under settlement and cannot be used or refunded until the underlying obligation is released.
- You can raise **one refund request per day**. Refunds are processed on a **T+2 business day** basis to your registered bank account.

Virtual trading account

Account details and UPI ID (virtual account number@sbi) for loading funds into your EPRETP buyer account.

ACCOUNT HOLDER
ABC Recycling Pvt Ltd – EPRETP Client A/C

VIRTUAL ACCOUNT NUMBER
777000123456789

IFSC / BANK
SBIN0001234 - State Bank of India – Fort Branch

Buyers can go to Fund Management to check their allotted Virtual Account no

UPI ID (FOR QR PAYMENTS)
777000123456789@sbi

Payments made to this virtual account are mapped automatically to your EPRETP buyer profile. Keep the reference number generated by your bank for reconciliation, if required.

In the live system, this QR will be generated by the escrow bank and will contain your virtual account / UPI details for direct credit.

Funds position – summary view

Total balance in wallet.	Blocked against orders & settlements	Free balance available to trade	Value under refund processing
₹500000.00	₹210000.00	₹260000.00	₹30000.00

Blocked funds – breakdown

Non-usable portion of your balance by reason.

REASON	AMOUNT (₹)	REMARKS
Open buy orders	₹150000.00	Funds held as margin and order value for live bids.
Trades under settlement	₹60000.00	Matched trades awaiting final settlement and delivery.

Refund request

One request per day. Refunds go to your registered settlement bank account.

Maximum amount currently available for refund (excluding blocked funds and refunds in process): ₹230000.00.

Input Refund amount (₹)

Refund will be credited to

Account name: ABC Recycling Pvt Ltd
Account number: XXXXXX4587
IFSC: HDFC0001234

After payment Buyer can go to trading and place his buy order in a similar way to

DISCLAIMER: Based on the EPRETP Exchange Video Guide; subject to regulatory and platform updates.

Ref: [EPRETP Exchange Video Guide](#)

Buyer's Trading window

The screenshot displays the Buyer's Trading window interface. A modal window titled "Place Buy Order – Battery / Lithium (Li)" is open, showing order details such as "Quantity (Kg)" set to 10 and "Price (₹/Kg)" at ₹1964.40. The modal also displays "Available for new orders: ₹2756408.21", "Indicative block for this order: ₹18835.62", and "Available after (if placed): ₹2737572.59".

Below the modal, a table titled "Buy orders by item" lists various battery types and their prices. A red box highlights the "Depth" and "Place Buy Order" buttons in the "ORDER DEPTH" section.

An "Order Depth – Battery Waste / Lithium (Li)" window is also visible, showing the bid and ask sides of the market. A red box highlights this window.

This ensures that process is completely transparent and fair.

Main navigation

Buyer navigation

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- Funds Management
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- Buyer Ledger
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- MIS & Reports

Trading Mechanics: What Companies Must Prepare?

CPCB CLARIFICATIONS

- To be mandated from 6 months of publishing of MSTC's ETP
- Credits' authenticity is per CPCB
- Floor & Ceiling of EC for each EPR stream.
- Mandatory for all EPR registered entities to trade EPR Certificates.

IMPACT & IMPLICATIONS

- Expect increase in EPR Credit prices across all EPR streams.
- Disparity in Supply Demand
- Advance for Credits will be common norm.
- Offline buying will be phased out.
- UReP & Reuse Credits to be traded on ETP.
- Separate compliance user and finance approval user

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Fulfill & honour the EPR Target for FY 25-26 ASAP
- ETP readiness for the company across cross-functional departments (Finance, legal, compliance).
- Plan to fulfill the EPR Target of FY 26-27 through ETP.
- Only link your company's account on ETP (no 3rd party accounts)

Contact A2G EPR Helpdesk for Advisory on ETP Readiness

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GOA DRS

DEPOSIT REFUND SCHEME

Overview

- Govt. of Goa introduced **Deposit Refund Scheme (DRS)** for the **non-biodegradable packaging** of products sold in the state of Goa, applicable from **March 6th, 2024** (Date of Notification) in exercise of powers under **Goa Non-Biodegradable Garbage (Control) Act, 1996**
- Goa Coastal and Environment Management Society (GC&EMS)** has been appointed as the **Scheme Administrator**
- Rapidue Technologies (P) Ltd has been appointed as **System Operator**.

	DRS, Goa
Notified on	16.08.2024
Notified under	Goa Non-Biodegradable Garbage (Control) Act, 1996
Applicable to	Brand Owners, Importers, Producers, Distributors, and Retailers operating in Goa
Applicable on	Glass (alcohol and non alcohol), Rigid Plastic, Flexible Plastic, Liquid packaging boards/ cartons (e.g. Tetra Pak), Multi Layered Packaging with MRP INR 20 and above (for first phase)
Governance level	2-tier: Scheme Administrator and System Operator
Current Status	Scheme Administrator and System Operators are finalized
Timeline of Registration & Implementation	PIBOs to complete their registration by 28th February 2026 and Goa DRS is implemented from 01 st April 2026.

Deposit for DRS Products							
DRS Product	Deposit Value in INR per unit						
Glass (alcoholic)	10						
Glass (non-alcoholic)	05						
Metal Can including aluminium	05						
Rigid Plastic	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>MRP of Commodity</th> <th>Deposit Value in INR</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Rs.5 to less than Rs.20</td> <td>02</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rs.20 and above</td> <td>05</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	MRP of Commodity	Deposit Value in INR	Rs.5 to less than Rs.20	02	Rs.20 and above	05
MRP of Commodity		Deposit Value in INR					
Rs.5 to less than Rs.20	02						
Rs.20 and above	05						
Flexible Plastic except Milk							
Liquid packaging board cartons (e.g. Tetra Pak)							
Multi Layered Packaging (MLP)							

First Phase	Second Phase
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Glass (alcohol and non-alcohol) Rigid Plastic Flexible Plastic Liquid packaging boards/ cartons (e.g. Tetra Pak) Multi Layered Packaging with MRP INR 20 and above 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Metal can (alcohol and non-alcohol) Multi Layered Packaging with MRP below INR 20 <p>*Second phase shall become effective after 6 months from the date of commencement of First Phase.</p>

Other applicable costs:

- Annual Scheme Participation Fee (ASPF) - 20,000 - 100,000/- basis turnover
- Reverse Collection Fee (RCF) – INR 10/12 material wise per ton (EPR Credit to be provided)
- Penalties charged under this notification

Exemption from DRS:

Manufacturers registered as MSME,
Packages of cooked food products sold by HoReCa as take away,
Products of price less than Rs. 5,
Products of volume less than 10cc
Milk Packets in flexible packaging.

Goa DRS – Homepage

<https://www.goadr.com/>

The screenshot displays the homepage of the Goa Deposit Refund Scheme (DRS). At the top, a navigation bar includes links for Home, Policy & Updates, Stakeholders, Help & Support, Media, QR Enablement, and About Us. A prominent 'Manufacturer Registration' button is located on the right side of this bar. Below the navigation, a header section features the Government of Goa logo, the Goa DRS logo, and the LIFE logo. To the right, it identifies the 'Department of Environment & Climate Change' and the 'Deposit Refund Scheme'. A yellow banner below the header contains a 'Latest Updates' section with a bell icon, a red-bordered box containing the text 'Registration Deadline for PIBOs: 28 February 2026', and a 'Notice: PIBO Registrations under the Goa Depos' with a 'View All' link and arrow. The main content area has a blue background with the title 'Manufacturer Registration – Goa Deposit Refund Scheme (DRS)'. Below the title, a paragraph states: 'The Government of Goa has introduced the Deposit Refund Scheme (DRS) to ensure responsible management of designated products sold in the State. All manufacturers placing DRS-covered products in Goa must complete registration on the Goa DRS Platform.' A second paragraph follows: 'This page outlines the pre-registration requirements to help applicants prepare before accessing the portal.' At the bottom of this section, a red-bordered box contains a green button labeled 'Proceed to Register' with an external link icon.

Home Policy & Updates Stakeholders Help & Support Media QR Enablement About Us **Manufacturer Registration**

गोंय सरकार Government of Goa **Goa DRS** Deposit Refund Scheme **LIFE** Lifestyle for Environment **Department of Environment & Climate Change** Deposit Refund Scheme

Latest Updates **Registration Deadline for PIBOs: 28 February 2026** Notice: PIBO Registrations under the Goa Depos View All →

Manufacturer Registration – Goa Deposit Refund Scheme (DRS)

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This page outlines the **pre-registration requirements** to help applicants prepare before accessing the portal.

Proceed to Register ↗

Manufacturer's Compliance

Under **Rule 8 of the Goa Deposit Refund Scheme Rules, 2024**, every producer, importer, or brand owner introducing DRS products in Goa shall comply with the following requirements:

Registration



Through the Goa DRS website
on payment of ASPF

Deposits



To designated escrow account
for generation of USI markings

USI Marking



On every eligible container
along with deposit value

RCF



On material collected

Ensure only DRS-compliant, QR-enabled, deposit-secured packaging is introduced in Goa from 1 April 2026.

Violation & Penalties / Cost Implications

Clause	Offence / Violation	Penalty (Fine)	Additional Action
14(1)	<p>Contravention of provisions in Clause 5, 8, 9, or 10 of the Notification</p> <p>Clause 5 – Responsibilities of Manufacturers Clause 8 – Deposits & Escrow Mechanism (Financial Compliance) Clause 9 – Responsibilities of Retailers / Dealers / Distributors Clause 10 – Consumer Refund & Return Obligations</p>	Up to ₹25,000	Confiscation of the batch of commodity packed in DRS Products where deposit was not placed in escrow
14(2)	Tampering, forging, altering, removing, or manipulating the Unique Serialized Identifier (USI) <i>before sale</i>	Up to ₹25,000	Confiscation of the batch of commodity & Possible criminal liability under other applicable laws
14(3)	Manufacturing or selling DRS Products without a valid USI affixed	Up to ₹20,000	Confiscation of the batch of commodity
14(4)	Applies to all above contraventions	—	Penalties under this clause are in addition to any other legal action, penalties, or proceedings under applicable laws

Cost Head	Applicability	Unit/Basis	Estimated Annual Cost, INR
ASPF (Annual System Participation Fee)	Mandatory once	Basis Annual Turnover (All India)	10,000 to 1,00,000
Per-Unit Deposit (Escrow)	Every DRS product sold in Goa	₹2 / pack for MRP ₹5 to ₹20 (Rigid, Flexible, MLP) ₹5 / pack for MRP <₹20 (Rigid, Flexible, MLP, Glass & Metal) ₹10 / pack (Glass alcoholic)	To be calculated
Reverse Collection Fee (RCF)	Per tonne of material collected	₹10/MT for Rigid Plastics, Flexible Plastics, Metal Cans & Liquid packaging boards ₹12/MT for Multi Layered Plastics	To be calculated
Packaging Modification (One-time)	QR Code + USI + Deposit Print	Brand to define and calculate	To be calculated

Recommendations

IMMEDIATE ACTION POINTS FOR COMPANIES

Registration Deadline

28th February

Hence assess the registration & compliance requirements and be prepared

Assess Goa-specific sales exposure & obligated packaging volume

(SKU-wise and channel-wise impact)

Evaluate financial impact of DRS cost implications

(RCF, ASPF, QR Integration)

Review QR code printing readiness across the supply chain

STRATEGIC ENGAGEMENT & GOVERNANCE

Highlight implementation challenges to the Scheme Administrator

Review and explore the official registration portal

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RULES, 2026

RELEASED ON 27th JANUARY 2026

Structure of SWMR 2026

- These rules replace all previous versions and are referred to as the **Solid Waste Management Rules, 2026**.
- The rule will come into force from **01st April 2026**

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Waste Type	Definition
Dry Waste	Includes all waste except wet, sanitary, and special care waste, covering recyclable and non-recyclable waste.
Wet Waste	Includes organic and biodegradable waste such as kitchen, food, vegetable, fruit, meat, and flower waste.
Sanitary Waste	Includes waste like used diapers, sanitary napkins, tampons, condoms, incontinence sheets, and similar items
Special Care Waste	Includes household hazardous waste like paint/pesticide containers, CFLs/tubes, expired medicines, mercury thermometers, batteries, needles/syringes, contaminated gauges, and other CPCB-notified wastes.
Horticulture Waste	Includes plant-based waste from parks, gardens, roadsides, etc., such as grass, leaves, branches, twigs, pruning, and wood chippings not handled in daily wet waste collection.

Urban Area Enforcement Plant

Population > 20k 1st Oct 2026 10k – 20k Population 1st April 2028 Up to 10k Population 1st April 2029



Key Highlights

- The rules are **applicable to** all urban and rural local bodies and to all public or private entities, landowners, and solid waste generators within their jurisdictions, including government bodies, PPPs, special areas, industrial zones, SEZs, transport and defense establishments, and places of religious or historical importance.
- The rule **does not cover** industrial waste, hazardous waste, hazardous chemicals, bio medical waste, e-waste, battery waste and radio-active waste

Waste Generator

- Mandatory Waste segregation into **4 streams – Wet, Dry, Sanitary and Special Care Waste**
- Biomedical waste** (under Biomedical Waste Management Rules, 2016) shall not be mixed with solid waste.
- Store **C&D waste on-site** and dispose of it as per the C&D Waste Management Rules, 2025.
- Store **horticulture or garden waste on-site** and dispose of it as per local body directions.
- Obtain **3-day prior permission** for events (>100 persons) at unlicensed venues and follow segregation and handover norms.

Bulk Waste Generator

- Entities meeting any one of the following:**
 - Building area $\geq 20,000$ sq.m
 - Water use $\geq 40,000$ L/day
 - Solid waste generation ≥ 100 kg/day
- Set up and operate wet waste processing facility including horticulture waste** except existing facility including horticulture waste
- EBWGR Obligation:** For BWGs, EBWGR will be based on total solid waste generated as per CPCB, MoHUA, and DDWS norms.
- Procure **EBWGR certificates from the local body for** collection and transport (dry, sanitary & special care waste) to registered waste processing facilities.

Industrial Units and Waste to Energy Plant

- Industrial units utilizing solid fuel shall use **RDF and/or SCF and/or agri-residue** as follows:

Intended Use	Fuel Substitute Schedule
WtE plants of industries with boilers	From 1 st April 2026 ($\geq 6\%$) From 1 st April 2029 ($\geq 10\%$)
For Co-processing in Cement Kilns	From 1 st April 2032 ($\geq 15\%$)

- Report real time on the availability and off take of RDF** on CPCB Portal.
- RDF or Segregated Combustible Fraction Plants supplying waste to **WtE Plants** and **Cement Plant** with the calorific value atleast **1500 Kcal/Kg** and **3000 Kcal/Kg**, respectively.

Local Body

- Shall register themselves on the **CPCB portal** prior to generation of **EBWGR certificates**.
- EBWGR certificates (kgs)** = Quantity of solid waste collected, transported and sent to registered recyclers or processors by local body (kgs)
- The **local body** shall collect the **cost** of EBWGR certificates from BWGs.
- EBWGR certificates** may show the quantity of waste sent to each registered recycler.
- Prepare **Action plan** for **biomining or bioremediation of dumpsites**.

HILLY AND ISLAND AREAS: - Local bodies may **charge tourists at entry points** to fund sustainable solid waste management.
- **Construction of landfill shall be avoided.**

SANITARY LANDFILLS: - Only **non-recyclable, non-combustible, non-energy recoverable, inert waste and processing residues** shall go to sanitary landfills.
- Sanitary landfill **user fees** apply to unsegregated, recyclable, energy-recoverable, unprocessed biodegradable, or C&D waste.
- **Non-recyclable waste** having **calorific value of 1500 Kcal/kg or more** shall **not be disposed of on landfills** and shall **only be utilized for generating energy.**

One-Stop Compliance: Centralized Online Portal

(establish and operate by CPCB within 6 months of commencement)

MANDATORY REGISTRATION

BWGs, Local Bodies, SW Processing Facilities, MRFs, Industrial Units & WtE Plants

REPORTING

Quarterly & Annual Reporting

TRANSPARENCY

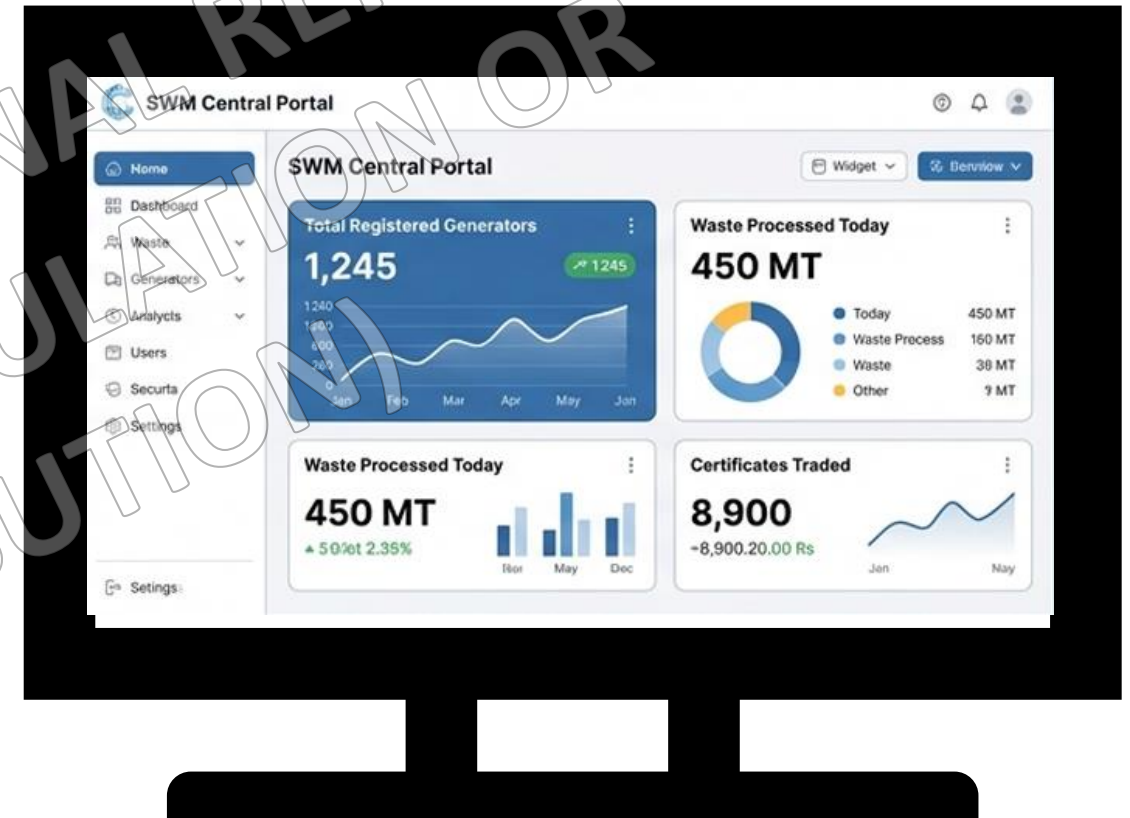
Public dashboard with real-time data at National/State/District levels
(generation, collection, processing, landfill)

VERIFICATION

Audit of entities involved in collection, processing, recycling & disposal

EBWGR

Certificate generation and transfer mechanism



Way Ahead

Operationalize CPCB digital portal for real-time monitoring, reporting, and transparency.

Ensure time-bound rollout of SWM Rules, 2026 with defined milestones and accountability.

Strengthen capacity of ULBs & Panchayats for segregation, processing infrastructure, and EBWGR implementation.

Promote decentralized waste processing and restrict landfilling to residual inert waste only.

Promote **Source Segregation** of waste in **4 categories: Wet, Dry, Sanitary and Special Care.**

Enforce compliance strictly through user fee and Environmental Compensation under the polluter pays principle.

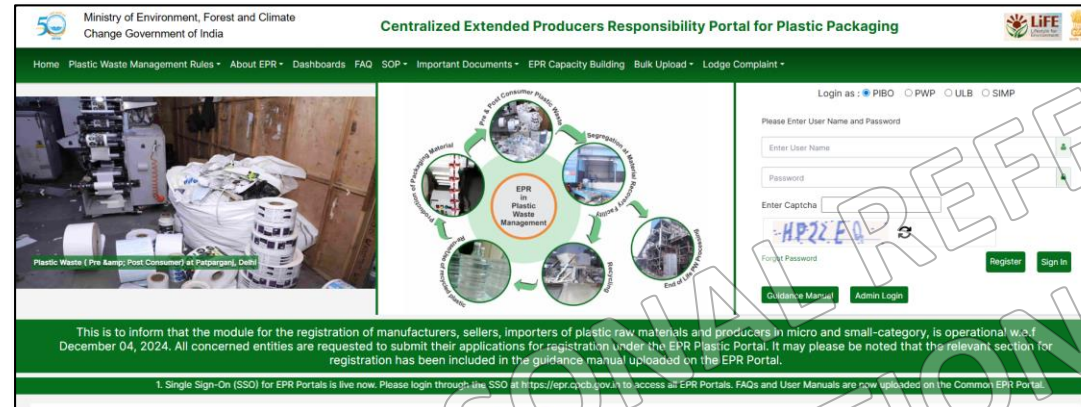
Accelerate legacy dumpsite remediation through biomining and bioremediation.

Advance circular economy by maximizing recycling, RDF utilization, and resource recovery.

OTHER UPDATES ACROSS EPR

Plastic Packaging | E-waste | Battery Waste | Used Oil | Waste Tyre | ELV

UPDATE: EPR Portal for Plastic Packaging



EPR Portal started working

Non-operational period – 4th Feb 2026 to 10th Feb 2026

CPCB Notice

dated 28th November 2025 and 19th January 2026

Offsetting of Cat II & III Recycling with 1.5x EOL Credits
CPCB further clarified use of Credits to setoff respective obligations of Reuse, Recycling & EOL

Final Amendment not yet released for UReP & Reuse Compliances

Last Date for Annual Returns Filing (FY 24-25) was 31st Jan 2026

EPR for E-waste

EPR Portal for E-Waste Management

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) of producers are regulated through grant of Registration Certificate and issue Recycling Targets / EPR obligation. For Registration Certificate and Recycling Targets / EPR Obligation producers under these Rules (definition given below) are required to apply on the EPR Portal at the URL <http://ewaste.cpcb.in> to CPCB. This E-Waste EPR Portal is an online E-Waste Management System where applicant producers can apply online for grant of Registration Certificate and Recycling Targets / EPR obligation. All the stakeholders like Producer, Recyclers, Refurbishers and Manufacturers are required to register on this system.

Important Announcements

- Inviting comments/suggestions on the guidelines for storage and handling of waste solar photo-voltaic modules or panels or cells.
- Stakeholders are hereby informed that the timeline for filing the Annual Return for FY 2023-24 has been extended to 30.06.2025.

Punjab State issued Notices to Producers seeking details of their EPR Fulfillment from the State

Hearing on Case challenged by the Producers on EC Cost calculated moved to 27th February 2026

Last Date for AR Filing for FY 25-26 is 30th April 2026

EPR for Used Oil

Central Pollution Control Board
(Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change)

EPR Portal for Used Oil Management

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CPCB is conducting meeting through Video Conferencing to address the issues related to Signup and Registration of Entities. The entities can join the meeting through VC from Monday to Saturday between 4 PM to 5 PM. Following link to be used to join the meeting: [Click Here to Join Meeting.](#)

Latest Updates **||** id attention - The timeline for filing of Annual Return(AR) for the FY 2024-25 has been extended till 31st March, 2026. All conce [View All](#)

Dashboard

Producers Recyclers Collection Agents Used Oil Importer Collection Agent1

Producer Application Summary

164 Applications Received (Total)	41 Under Process	39 Incomplete	84 Granted (Total)
0 Rejected (Total)	63315.88 MT 2024-2025 Total EPR Target		

Dashboard

Producers Recyclers Collection Agents Used Oil Importer Collection Agent1

Recycler Application Summary

193 Applications Received (Total)	54 Under Process	46 Incomplete	93 Granted (Total)
0 Rejected (Total)	2601 Total Certificate		

Annual Returns Filing for FY 24-25 extended to 31st March 2026

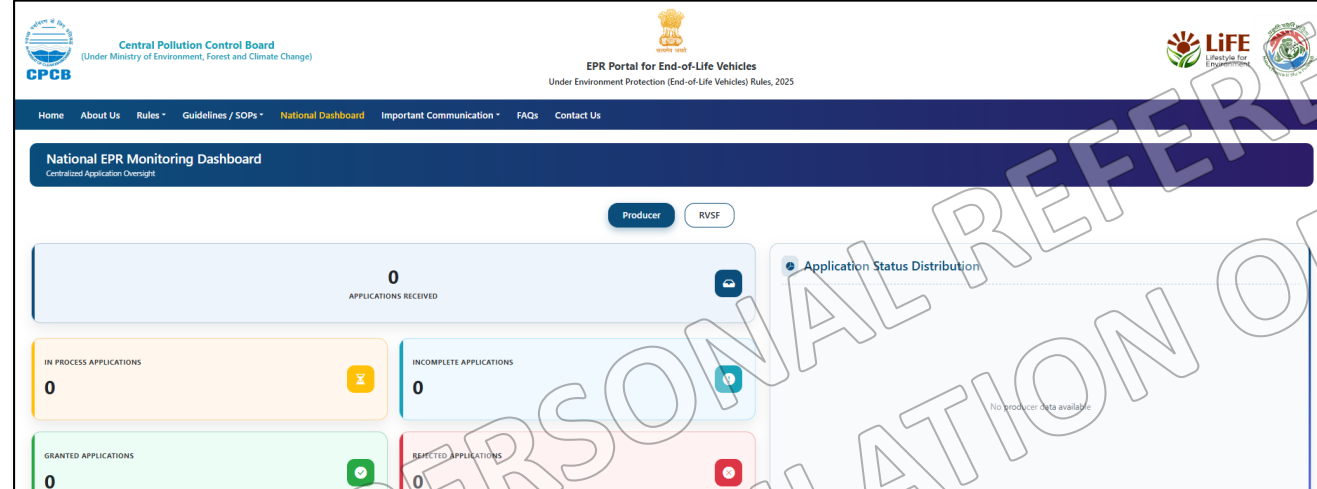
UPDATE: EPR Portal for Battery

The screenshot shows the EPR Portal for Battery Waste Management website. At the top left is the CPCB logo and text: "Central Pollution Control Board (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change)". The main title is "EPR Portal for Battery Waste Management (Portal for Grant of Registration to Producer and Recycler/Refurbisher of Battery under Battery Waste Management Rules, 2022)". The navigation menu includes: Home, Registration Issued, Important Communication, FAQs, Rules, Video Tutorial, National Dashboard, SOP for Registration, Guidance Manuals, and Lodge Complaint. The central content area features a diagram with "EPR Portal" at the center, surrounded by five circular nodes: "Registration of Producers, Recyclers, Refurbishers", "EPR Target Generation", "EPR Certificate Generation and Transfer", "Annual and Quarterly returns filing", and "Periodic Audit and imposition of EC". To the right is a login form with "Login As:" radio buttons for "Producer", "Recycler", and "Refurbisher". It includes fields for "Email" and "Password", a "Login" button, and a "Forgot Password?" link. Below the login form is a "Login as Admin" button. At the bottom, there is a red banner with text: "Need Assistance? Call our EPR Helpline at 011-43102350 or email us at batteries [dot] cpcb [at] gov [dot] in. We're here to help you with any queries regarding compliance, registration, and reporting. Timings: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM, Monday to Friday." A small red box at the very bottom contains text: "This is to inform that CPCB is conducting meeting through Video Conferencing to address the issues related to registration of Producers and Recyclers and related to EPR credits/certificate generation and transfer. All the stakeholders such as recyclers, producers and their Associations may join said meeting through VC to discuss the EPR related issues for battery waste management. The timings for said VC will be 4PM to 5PM. k to be used".

Battery Pack Adhaar System

CPCB released new tabs on EPR Portal focusing on penalties levied, Information Centre & Training Courses

EPR for End-of-Life Vehicles



EPR Portal released on
16th January 2026

EPR Registrations
have started on the
EPR Portal for
Producers & RVSFs

CPCB released SOPs
for Producer & RVSF
Registration

CPCB clarified roles of
CPCB & SPCB

Revised Guidelines
released for
Collection, Handling &
Scrapping

Clarifications for
Registration

Upcoming EPR

1st April 2026

EPR for Non-Fe Metal Scrap

**EPR for Construction &
Demolition Waste**

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