

Local expertise for the full spectrum of mechanical recycling

EREMA and Lindner Washtech establish subsidiary in India

At Plast India on 6 February 2026, EREMA and Lindner Washtech officially announced the opening of EREMA India during a ceremonial event attended by around 125 invited guests, including customers, industry representatives, members of the press, as well as institutes and associations. The joint sales and service subsidiary is the two joint-venture partners' response to the growing demand for high-quality recycling solutions in India's rapidly expanding market. Customers will now benefit even more from consolidated washing and extrusion expertise – from bale to regranulate.

Ansfelden/Großbottwar/New Delhi, 9 February 2026 – With their new subsidiary, EREMA and Lindner Washtech are strengthening their presence in a market that is characterised by ambitious recycling targets and fast implementation. For Indian recycling companies, EREMA India means above all one thing: faster access to high-end technology for the full range of mechanical recycling and local support. "India is one of the most dynamic markets for plastics recycling worldwide. With EREMA India, we are creating the framework to support our customers even more precisely. The close interaction between local presence and combined system expertise is the key to accompanying the Indian market in its rapid development," says Manfred Hackl, CEO of the EREMA Group, at the inauguration ceremony in New Delhi.

EREMA India is a member of the EREMA Group and consolidates EREMA's extrusion and Lindner Washtech's washing technologies under one roof. The foundation builds on a decades-long, trusted partnership. Deepak Mehta, newly appointed Managing Director and Partner of EREMA India, emphasises: "I am honoured to take on the role of Managing Director of EREMA India, building on a 27-year partnership with the EREMA Group. My focus is on shaping a strong organisation that is close to its customers providing personal support, fast service and local spare parts availability. By combining our long-standing market experience with EREMA's and Lindner Washtech's vision, we are strengthening our presence in this rapidly growing market. I look forward to working together to create sustainable value for India's recycling industry."

Emerging recycling market increases demand for high-quality recyclates

India's population of 1.47 billion and the further growth of the middle class continue to drive demand for consumer goods and consequently for plastic products. According to the OECD,

plastic consumption in India is expected to increase more than fivefold between 2019 and 2060¹. To address the resulting volumes in plastic waste, the country has introduced ambitious circular economy goals. Stricter EPR (Extended Producer Responsibility) regulations and the expansion of collection and sorting systems further increase the relevance of plastics recycling. In the bottle-to-bottle sector alone, around 25 recycling plants with a total capacity of approximately 600,000 tonnes are expected to be installed by 2026.

"The Indian market is developing at an impressive pace. The combination of regulatory tailwinds and increasing quality requirements makes India a strategically important growth market," says Christoph Wöss, Global Sales Director at EREMA. "Over the past two years, we have seen in bottle-to-bottle recycling how quickly implementation progresses once the regulatory framework is set. The next steps, including mandatory recycling quotas for all plastic packaging that will gradually increase to 60 percent by 2029, offer enormous potential, especially in the post-consumer sector."

European expertise in integrated washing and extrusion technology

EREMA India provides Indian recyclers with access to European technology for washing, extrusion, and thermal decontamination. EREMA and Lindner Washtech have joined forces to deliver fully coordinated process chains that consistently produce high-quality results at high throughput rates. This allows recycling companies to reliably meet increasing quality requirements, including international food contact standards. Alongside the local service organisation, which provides support for commissioning, troubleshooting and after-sales service, these technologies help to ensure high system availability.

"With strong local service support, continuous technology upgrades and a close collaboration with our customers, we are committed to transforming India into a global hub for high-quality recyclates and closed-loop recycling solutions. Lindner's washing equipment plays a crucial role in ensuring a stable and reliable treatment process, which together with EREMA's extrusion technology, provides recyclers with integrated system expertise enabling them to consistently produce food-grade quality, increase production efficiency and achieve long-term operational excellence," says Ganesh Karankal, Sales Director and Partner of Business Unit Washing at EREMA India.

¹ OECD (2022), *Global Plastics Outlook: Policy Scenarios to 2060*, OECD Publishing, Paris, <https://doi.org/10.1787/aa1edf33-en>.

"In the bottle-to-bottle sector, our PET recycling technologies are already in successful operation with several Indian customers, giving them an edge with the best colour values and polymer properties," adds Maharshi Mehta, Sales Director of Business Unit Extrusion at EREMA India. For polyolefins such as HDPE, LDPE and PP, the integrated recycling solutions create a process chain capable of handling even complex post-consumer waste streams. "Following the washing and separating stages, the INTAREMA® extrusion system in combination with the ReFresher module reliably removes odours, ensuring the highest quality of recycled output," Mehta explains.

With ReadyMac and ReadyWash, EREMA India also offers a fast-delivery system in a standardised design for customers seeking proven, high-quality and efficient recycling technology in a lower price segment.

Two locations and a new Customer Center

The establishment of EREMA India is the logical continuation of long-term successful partnerships between EREMA, Lindner Washtech and their respective local representatives. The existing teams will be fully integrated into the new structure, bringing extensive experience in commissioning and servicing systems.

The new subsidiary operates at two locations. The site in Vadodara, Gujarat, is home to a sales office and Customer Center, where customers can conduct trials and material tests under realistic conditions. A ReadyMac HD recycling machine with EREMA Laserfilter, as well as laboratory equipment for quick material checks, will be available for customer trials in the near future. In Mumbai, there is an additional sales and service office ensuring customer proximity and support in western and southern India.

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From left: Maharshi Mehta (Sales Director, Business Unit Extrusion), Deepak Mehta (Managing Director & Partner, EREMA India), Manfred Hackl (CEO, EREMA Group), Christoph Wöss (Global Sales Director, EREMA), Ganesh Karankal (Sales Director & Partner, Business Unit Washing) and Bhavik Mehta (Service & Training, Business Unit Extrusion) at the inauguration celebration marking the official launch of EREMA India.

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Since its founding in 1983, EREMA Engineering Recycling Maschinen und Anlagen Ges.m.b.H has specialised in the development and production of plastics recycling systems and technologies for the plastics processing industry and is regarded as the global market and innovation leader in these sectors. The company is part of the Austrian group of companies EREMA Group GmbH based in Ansfelden/Linz, which employs around 860 people worldwide.

Lindner Washtech GmbH

As a specialist and one of the leading manufacturers in plastics recycling, Lindner Recyclingtech's subsidiary, Lindner Washtech GmbH, offers innovative solutions for the processing of post-consumer and post-industrial plastics such as LLDPE, LDPE, HDPE, PP and PET. From shredding and sorting to washing and drying Lindner Washtech's modular plastics recycling systems are perfectly matched to each other and provide individual all-in-one solutions from a single source.

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