

Brief Project Profile for Unsaturated Polyester Resin Unit (India)

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Introduction & Chemistry

This Brief Project Profile outlines a compact, scalable plan to manufacture Unsaturated Polyester Resin (UPR).

Two plant scales are assessed: **3-ton/batch** and **15-ton/batch**. This Profile covers chemistry, process, markets, capex/opex, unit economics, and expected returns under present cost conditions.

Chemistry

Unsaturated Polyester Resin (UPR) is a polymer formed by polycondensation of glycols with unsaturated acids / anhydrides (Maleic Anhydride, Phthalic Anhydride, Isophthalic Acid) followed by dilution in styrene monomer.

Reaction Chemistry: Polyacids + Glycols → Polyester (water by-product)

The resin is subsequently diluted with 35–45% styrene monomer (with inhibitor) to obtain liquid UPR.

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A. Market & Applications

- FRP pipes & tanks (chemicals, water supply)
- Marine & automotive composites
- Construction (artificial marble, adhesives, panels)
- ❖ Electrical insulation & laminates



B. Capacity & Throughput Assumptions

Batch cycle time 12 hours

On stream days 300 days/year

Average batches/day 1.5 (allowing for maintenance and grade change)

Annual capacity nameplate (emulsion)

3 t/batch line: ~1350 TPA

15 t/batch line: ~6750 TPA

C. Capital Costs – 3 tons/batch line

Item	₹ Lakh		
Reactor	8		
Reflux condenser, Packed column	6		
Fume hood	3		
Dean Stark trap	5		
Blending tank	14		
Filter	2		
Vacuum pump	3		
Vacuum receiver	2		
Storage Tanks	20		
Pumps (flameproof), valves, instruments, PLC	18		
Cooling tower	5		
Thermopack	9		
Air compressor & N₂ tonners	8		
Vent scrubber & VOC controls	7		
Electricals, cabling, earthing, lighting (FLP), UPS	15		
Piping, insulation	15		
QA/QC lab setup	5		
Fire hydrant system	12		
PCB CTE/CTO, Fire NOC, EC, PESO licenses	15		
Erection, freight, contingencies (~15%)	26		
GST	36		
Civil construction	75		
Total Capital Costs excl. Working Capital	₹ 308 Lakh		

Note: Indicated Capital Costs are indicative for a plant set up in India. Actual costs may vary considerably. Land costs are not included since land prices vary on the basis of location.

D. Capital Costs – 15 tons/batch line

ltem	₹ Lakh		
Reactor	35		
Reflux condenser, Packed column	14		
Dean Stark trap	10		
Blending tank	45		
Filter	7		
Vacuum pump	10		
Vacuum receiver	6		
Storage Tanks	60		
Pumps (flameproof), valves, instruments, PLC	50		
Cooling tower	15		
Thermopack	25		
Air compressor & N₂ tonners	20		
Vent scrubber & VOC controls	15		
Electricals, cabling, earthing, lighting (FLP), UPS	50		
Piping, insulation	50		
QA/QC lab setup	5		
Fire hydrant system	18		
PCB CTE/CTO, Fire NOC, EC, PESO licenses	15		
Erection, freight, contingencies (~15%)	68		
GST	93		
Civil construction	200		
Total Capital Costs excl. Working Capital	₹ 811 Lakh		

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E. Operating Economics P&L – 2 tons/batch line

Sales volume 1147.5 tons/year (@85%)

Revenue ₹ 1205 Lakhs

Cost of Goods Sold ₹ 1033 Lakhs

Gross Margin ₹ 172 Lakhs

QC + Compliance Costs ₹ 20 Lakhs

Rent ₹ 18 Lakhs

EBITDA ₹ 134 Lakhs (11.12%)

Depreciation ₹ 46 Lakhs

EBIT ₹ 88 Lakhs

Interest (@10%; 60% debt) ~₹ 18.5 Lakhs

Profit Before Tax ₹ 69.5 Lakhs

Estimated Return on Equity Approx. 42%

<u>Note</u>: The operating economics is indicative. It is for second year with operations having achieved a steady state. Actual operational P&L may vary considerably.

Assumptions: 85% capacity utilization; Working days 300; Debtor days 45; creditor days 30; GST netted out. Cost of land assumed to be 10000 sqft @ 1,50,000 per month.

F. Approvals, Health Safety & Environment (HSE) & Staffing

Approvals

- Environmental clearance
- Factory license
- Consent to Establish/Operate (SPCB)
- Petroleum & Explosives approvals for Nitrogen and other storage (PESO)
- Fire NOC.

HSE

- Classified area zoning
- Intrinsically safe instruments
- Earthing, PPE, Spill control
- VOC capture
- Process safety (MOC, SOPs, HAZOP).

Staffing

For 3 tons setup - 14 persons;
 (3 shift operations, QA/QC, utilities, stores, admin).



G. Timeline

Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
BED/FEED										
EC										
PCB CTE AND OTHER LICENSES										
PROCUREMENT										
DETAILED ENGINEERING										
CIVIL CONSTRUCTION										
ERECTION										
PCB CTO AND OTHER COMPLIANCES										
COMMISSIONING AND HANDOVER										



We look forward to hearing from you.

We look forward to helping you set up an

Unsaturated Polyester Resin plant.

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