



Turning Waste into Worth: Okada Manila's Facility Management Team Powers Education Through Battery Recycling

Okada Manila's Facility Management (FM) team turned environmental responsibility into community impact through the responsible recycling of used batteries. On July 31, 2025, the team donated upcycled chairs and school supply kits to Grade 5 and Grade 6 students of Tambo Elementary School – Unit 1 in Parañaque City. The initiative was funded through the Philippine Business for Social Progress (PBSP)–Motolite Balik Baterya Program, which recycles used batteries in compliance with environmental standards to support education and community projects.



From Batteries to Classrooms

Since 2019, Okada Manila has partnered with PBSP in the Motolite Balik Baterya Program to ensure hazardous waste like used lead-acid batteries is diverted from landfills, safely processed, and converted into resources that directly benefit the community. By selecting Tambo Elementary School – Unit 1—the nearest public elementary school to the resort—the project strengthened Okada Manila's ties with its neighbors, demonstrating how environmental initiatives can also nurture community development.

A Sustainable Partnership

This is the second Facility Management-led project with PBSP under the Motolite Balik Baterya Program. Launched in 2006, the program addresses the challenges of used battery disposal while enabling donors to fund meaningful projects from recycling proceeds. All processes comply with Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Republic Act No. 6969, ensuring both environmental protection and positive social impact—benefiting the planet while empowering the people who live in it.



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Our work in Facility Management goes beyond maintaining Okada Manila's operations—we are also custodians of our environment and partners in building a better future for our community. Through programs like this, we turn environmental responsibility into tangible benefits for the next generation.



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IMPACT IN NUMBERS

33,000
kg

of used batteries
collected and recycled

532,000.00
PHP

donated to PBSP
from this year's proceeds

1,034,880.00
PHP

total buy-back
proceeds generated

80

upcycled chairs
donated

90

school supply kits
distributed

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FM-led project under
the PBSP–Motolite Balik
Bateria Program in 2025

Why It Matters

Under the Waste Management pillar of Okada Green Heart, this initiative shows how responsible recycling can ripple far beyond environmental gains. Through this invaluable Balik Bateria program, we protect the environment, invest in local education, and deepen our commitment to the community—a connection that reflects the values of both Waste Management and Talent and Community.

Join the Okada Green Heart Movement

Small actions lead to big change. From proper waste segregation to reducing single-use plastics and supporting recycling drives, every effort brings us closer to a greener, more responsible future. Let's continue turning environmental commitments into opportunities that change lives.



Thank You for Caring!

Together, let's build a greener future—one action at a time.

