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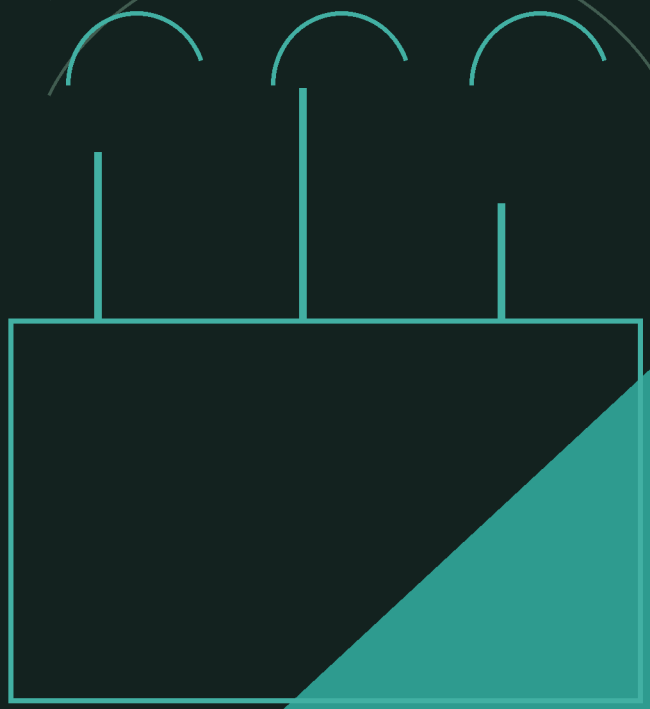

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How to Use This Manual

This manual is designed for implementation teams, governments, development partners, agribusinesses, farmer organisations, technical service providers, training institutions and investors. It can be used at programme, district, cluster, enterprise and farm level. The recommended approach is to begin with a baseline, define measurable targets, select context-appropriate interventions, cost the implementation package, assign accountability, train implementers, deploy systems in phases, measure performance and revise the package using evidence.

Series Integration

The three volumes are intended to operate as one system. Volume 1 establishes climate-smart primary production. Volume 2 protects product quality and value between harvest and market. Volume 3 converts agricultural output into higher-value industrial products. Programme managers should use common traceability identifiers, data definitions, quality standards, risk registers and monitoring cycles across all three volumes.

Core Principles

- Productivity and profitability: interventions must improve viable output, resource efficiency, quality or market access rather than add technology for its own sake.
- Climate resilience: systems should reduce sensitivity to drought, heat, floods, pests, supply disruption and market shocks.
- Mitigation where feasible: reduce emissions intensity, energy waste, nutrient losses and avoidable waste while protecting soil carbon and biomass.

- Evidence and traceability: decisions should be based on records, measurements and clearly assigned responsibilities.
- Do-no-harm safeguards: protect workers, communities, consumers, land, water, biodiversity and vulnerable groups.
- Scalability: every pilot should include a pathway for financing, institutionalisation, replication and continuous improvement.

Abbreviations

Term	Meaning
CSA	Climate-Smart Agriculture
MEL	Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning
KPI	Key Performance Indicator
SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
HACCP	Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point
GMP	Good Manufacturing Practice
CAPEX	Capital Expenditure
OPEX	Operating Expenditure
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
QA/QC	Quality Assurance / Quality Control

Executive Summary

This volume provides an industrialisation pathway from agricultural feedstock to higher-value products using disciplined product development, processing technology, hygienic engineering, quality systems, circular bioeconomy principles, investment governance and commercial scale-up. The manual is structured to move from diagnosis and design to operating controls, evidence, assurance and scale-up. Every intervention should be linked to a measurable problem, a responsible owner, a financing approach and a verification method.

Management rule Technology does not make a system climate-smart by itself. The intervention must solve a defined risk or performance gap, fit the local context, be economically maintainable and be measured after implementation.

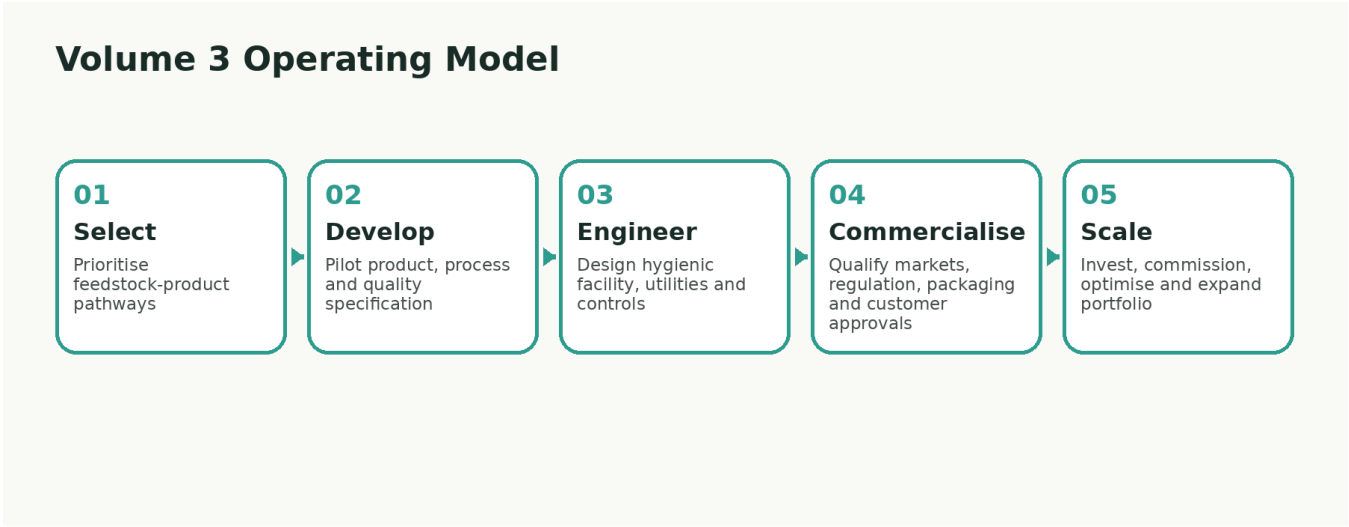

Figure 1. Integrated operating model for this volume.

Implementation at a Glance

Phase	What happens	Primary owner	Timing	Key output	KPI	Primary risk	Mitigation
1. Baseline & mobilisation	Confirm geography, beneficiaries, climate/market risks, current practices and assets.	Programme lead + local institutions	Months 0-2	Approved baseline; stakeholder map	Baseline completed; participation rate	Weak data / low buy-in	Use triangulation, field verification and signed mobilisation plan
2. Detailed design	Prioritise interventions, technical standards, sites, procurement lots and financing.	Technical lead + finance + procurement	Months 2-4	Investment plan; BoQ; implementation schedule	% interventions costed and approved	Over-design / unaffordable package	Phase investments; apply value-for-money gates

3. Capacity building	Train trainers, operators, farmers, supervisors and QA personnel.	Training lead + technical specialists	Months 3-8; refresher quarterly	Competency records; training materials	Pass rate; adoption rate	Training without application	Field demonstrations; competency checks; coaching
4. Infrastructure & systems	Procure, install, commission and document physical and digital systems.	Engineering / operations	Months 4-12	Commissioned assets; asset register	On-time commissioning; uptime	Delays / poor installation	Milestone payments; factory/site acceptance tests
5. Controlled rollout	Operate priority sites, capture evidence and correct bottlenecks.	Operations + MEL	Months 8-18	Operational pilot clusters	Yield/quality/ loss/cost targets achieved	Pilot not representative	Use diverse sites and predefined success criteria
6. Scale-up	Replicate proven packages through finance, extension, suppliers and offtake.	Programme board + partners	Years 2-5	Scaled clusters and market linkages	Coverage; unit cost reduction; revenue growth	Scaling faster than systems	Stage-gates, audit readiness, supplier qualification
7. Continuous improvement	Quarterly reviews, annual assurance, lessons and standards updates.	MEL + QA + leadership	Quarterly / annual	Corrective action logs; updated SOPs	Closure rate; trend improvement	Data not acted on	Management review with accountable owners

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1. Bio-Industrial Strategy and Value-Chain Selection

Implementation intent: This chapter defines the minimum management system, operational controls and evidence required to make the subject practical at field, facility or programme level. Organisations should adapt thresholds and technical specifications to crop, geography, regulation and buyer requirements, while preserving the underlying control logic.

1.1 From commodity to industrial portfolio

Bio-industrial value addition starts by choosing products that fit raw-material supply, technology, regulation, market demand and investment capacity. A single crop can support multiple product pathways, but each pathway requires a specification, process flow, quality system and market. Prioritisation should compare addressable market, gross margin potential, raw-material conversion, CAPEX, utilities, technical complexity, certification, time to market and by-product opportunities.

1.2 Feedstock assurance

Industrial facilities require predictable quantity and quality. Establish contracted or coordinated production, raw-material specifications, seasonal supply calendars, buffer stock rules and alternative sourcing. Processing plants should not be sized solely on optimistic farm yields; design against conservative, financeable supply scenarios.

1.3 Stage-gated development

Use gates from concept, laboratory proof, pilot, market validation, engineering design, financing, construction, commissioning and commercial ramp-up. Stop or redesign projects that fail technical, safety, market or financial gates rather than protecting sunk cost.

Chapter Control Points

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2. Product and Process Development

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2.1 Product specification

Define intended use, customer, ingredient composition, sensory or functional attributes, microbiological and chemical limits, packaging, shelf life, storage and labelling requirements. Specifications drive equipment selection and QC.

2.2 Process flow development

Map each unit operation, inputs, outputs, residence time, temperature, moisture, yield loss, waste stream and control point. Pilot-scale trials should establish achievable recovery and variability before final plant design.

2.3 Technology transfer

Document formulation, batch size, equipment parameters, in-process checks, cleaning, sampling and acceptance criteria. Transfer from pilot to production should include training and engineering verification, not only a recipe.

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3. Botanical Drying, Milling and Powder Systems

Implementation intent: This chapter defines the minimum management system, operational controls and evidence required to make the subject practical at field, facility or programme level. Organisations should adapt thresholds and technical specifications to crop, geography, regulation and buyer requirements, while preserving the underlying control logic.

3.1 Drying platform design

Select dryers based on product sensitivity, batch size, climate, energy source, hygiene and required throughput. Options can include solar-assisted, heat-pump, cabinet, tunnel, belt or other systems. Validate temperature and airflow distribution.

3.2 Milling and sieving

Control feed moisture, mill heat generation, screen size, metal contamination and dust. Use magnets or metal detection where risk assessment requires it. Segregate incompatible products and manage allergen or strong-odour carryover where relevant.

3.3 Powder quality

Specify particle size, moisture, bulk density, colour, microbiological limits and active or nutritional markers where appropriate. Packaging should protect against moisture, oxygen and light according to product sensitivity.

- Define acceptance criteria before receiving or processing product.
- Use controlled records for monitoring, deviation, disposition and corrective action.
- Verify critical measurements with calibrated or otherwise suitable equipment.

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4. Extraction, Oils and Higher-Value Ingredients

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4.1 Extraction pathway selection

Choose water, food-grade solvent, mechanical pressing or other extraction routes based on intended market, safety, regulatory acceptance, yield and environmental burden. Solvent systems require specialist engineering, recovery and explosion/fire controls where applicable.

4.2 Oil processing

Seed oils may require cleaning, dehulling, pressing, filtration, settling and optional refining depending on end use. Quality specifications may include free fatty acids, peroxide value, moisture and contaminants. Protect oils from heat, light and oxygen.

4.3 Concentrates and standardised ingredients

Higher-value extracts require tighter raw-material control, analytical methods and batch-to-batch consistency. Claims should be supported by applicable evidence and regulation; processing should not assume that traditional use alone authorises commercial health claims.

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5. Facility Design, Utilities and Hygienic Engineering

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5.1 Zoning and flow

Design raw-material, wet-processing, dry-processing, high-care where required, packaging, finished goods, laboratory, chemical, maintenance and waste areas to minimise cross-contamination. Separate people, product and waste flows where risk warrants.

5.2 Utilities

Define water quality, steam or heat, compressed air, electricity, refrigeration and drainage requirements by process. Meter significant utilities and design for maintainability. Utility failures should have safe shutdown and recovery procedures.

5.3 Hygienic design

Select cleanable contact surfaces, drainable piping, accessible equipment and suitable building finishes. Avoid niches that trap product or water. Validate cleaning for the actual soils and products encountered.

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6. GMP, HACCP, Quality Assurance and Laboratories

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6.1 GMP foundation

Implement personnel hygiene, zoning, cleaning, pest control, maintenance, glass/brittle plastic control, chemical control, supplier assurance, calibration, documentation and training before relying on HACCP.

6.2 HACCP and preventive controls

Form a competent team, describe products and intended use, confirm process flow, analyse hazards, establish controls and define monitoring, corrective action, verification and records. Review the plan when product, equipment, supplier or process changes.

- Define acceptance criteria before receiving or processing product.
- Use controlled records for monitoring, deviation, disposition and corrective action.
- Verify critical measurements with calibrated or otherwise suitable equipment.

6.3 Laboratory control

Define methods, reference standards, instrument calibration, sample retention, out-of-specification investigation and external proficiency or verification where practical. Use laboratory data to release product and improve process capability, not simply to generate certificates.

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7. Circular Bioeconomy, By-Products and Waste Valorisation

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7.1 Material balance

Create mass and water balances for each process. Quantify product, recoverable co-products, organic residues, wastewater, packaging waste and emissions. Losses that cannot be explained should be investigated.

7.2 By-product pathways

Potential routes include animal feed where safe and lawful, compost, soil amendments, biochar, biomass energy, fibre products, extracts or co-ingredients. Evaluate contamination, stability, collection cost and market before declaring a residue a valuable co-product.

7.3 Industrial symbiosis

Cluster facilities where one operation can use another's heat, biomass, water or co-product safely. Shared laboratories, boilers, wastewater treatment and logistics can reduce unit cost when governance and demand are sufficient.

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8. Energy, Water and Low-Carbon Operations

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8.1 Energy baseline

Sub-meter major process loads and calculate energy per unit of saleable product. Identify heat recovery, insulation, variable-speed drives, solar thermal, photovoltaic and biomass opportunities using lifecycle cost rather than simple payback alone.

8.2 Water stewardship

Separate potable/product-contact water from utility water according to risk. Reduce unnecessary wash volumes, fix leaks, optimise clean-in-place procedures where used and evaluate reuse only where safety and regulation permit.

- Meter or estimate water by management block and compare planned versus actual use.
- Inspect pumps, filters, valves, emitters and leaks on a defined schedule.
- Escalate water-quality or source-yield deterioration before it causes crop or equipment damage.

8.3 Emissions and environmental management

Track fuel, electricity, refrigerants, wastewater and significant waste streams. Set reduction targets tied to process improvements. Do not pursue emissions reduction in ways that compromise food or worker safety.

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9. Packaging, Labelling and Shelf-Life Management

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Organisations should adapt thresholds and technical specifications to crop, geography, regulation and buyer requirements, while preserving the underlying control logic.

9.1 Packaging selection

Select packaging for barrier performance, seal integrity, mechanical protection, filling equipment, distribution environment, sustainability and regulatory requirements. Validate supplier specifications and incoming quality.

9.2 Labelling control

Control approved artwork, version, batch coding, ingredients, allergens, net quantity, storage, origin, nutrition and claims according to applicable law and market. Wrong labels can trigger recalls even when product quality is acceptable.

9.3 Shelf-life programme

Use product-specific stability protocols, retained samples and market simulation. Define acceptance attributes and storage conditions. Shelf life should be evidence-based rather than copied from similar products.

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10. Commercialisation, Markets and Regulatory Pathways

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10.1 Market qualification

Identify customer segments, application needs, volumes, target pricing, approval process and technical documentation. Business development should begin during product development, not after the plant is built.

10.2 Regulatory mapping

Determine whether the product is food, ingredient, supplement, cosmetic input, feed, agricultural input or another category in each target market. Identify registrations, limits, claims restrictions, certificates and testing requirements.

10.3 Customer technical packs

Prepare specifications, certificates of analysis, allergen statements where relevant, traceability, safety data where applicable, origin information, certifications, process summaries and audit responses in a controlled format.

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11. Investment, Economics and Industrial Scaling

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11.1 Financial model

Build throughput, yield, selling price, raw-material cost, utilities, labour, packaging, maintenance, QA, logistics, working capital, financing and tax assumptions. Run sensitivity for plant utilisation, yield loss, price and feedstock cost.

11.2 CAPEX governance

Use concept design, budget quotations, engineering review, competitive procurement, change control and commissioning acceptance. Include buildings, utilities, laboratory, training, spares, validation and working capital, not only processing equipment.

11.3 Scale-up strategy

Increase capacity in modules where uncertainty is high. Prove market and raw-material supply at smaller scale before committing to large fixed assets. Use toll processing or contract manufacturing strategically where it accelerates learning and market entry.

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12. Industrial Governance, Innovation and Portfolio Management

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12.1 Governance

Separate strategic investment approval, technical design authority, quality release and commercial sales responsibilities. Major changes to product or process should follow formal change control.

12.2 Innovation system

Maintain a pipeline of concepts with customer problem, evidence, technical owner, market owner, stage, next experiment, estimated value and kill criteria. Innovation portfolios need disciplined stopping as well as starting.

12.3 Portfolio review

Review product margins, capacity utilisation, quality incidents, customer concentration, raw-material risk and strategic fit. Retire products that consume disproportionate complexity without sufficient value.

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13. Implementation Matrix and Five-Year Roadmap

The matrix below is a programme-level template. It should be converted into annual work plans with named individuals, approved budgets, geographic targets and procurement references. Baselines must be established before targets are finalised.

Period	Priority actions	Expected milestone	Management test
Year 1	Baseline, standards, pilots, training-of-trainers, priority infrastructure	2-4 representative clusters operational	Baseline + pilot scorecard
Year 2	Refine technical packages, expand suppliers, strengthen data and market contracts	First scaled replication wave	Adoption, quality and unit-cost trends
Year 3	Scale finance and infrastructure; deepen certification/assurance where needed	Regional/cluster expansion	Coverage, profitability, compliance
Year 4	Optimise productivity, resource efficiency, logistics and industrial linkages	Integrated value-chain performance	Water/energy/loss reductions; market growth
Year 5	Institutionalise standards, independent assurance, replication toolkit and next strategy	Sustainable operating model	Financial sustainability; verified outcomes

Detailed Implementation Matrix

Activity	Output	Responsibility	Timing	Resources	KPIs	Risk	Mitigation
Baseline and risk	Baseline report and maps	Programme manager / MEL	0-2 months	Field teams, GIS/data tools,	Baseline approval; %	Incomplete data	Triangulate records, field

assessment				labs as needed	sites profiled		checks and stakeholder validation
Technical standards and SOPs	Approved standards pack	Technical lead / QA	1-4 months	Subject experts, document control	% critical SOPs approved	Standards too generic	Pilot against real sites before approval
Training and competency	Competent implementers	Training lead	2-8 months + refreshers	Trainers, demo sites, assessments	Pass rate; field adoption	Attendance without competence	Practical assessment and coaching
Infrastructure deployment	Commissioned assets	Operations / engineering	4-18 months	CAPEX, procurement, contractors	Commissioning on time; uptime	Poor specifications / delays	BoQ review, FAT/SAT, staged payments
Operations and assurance	Stable controlled operations	Operations + QA	6 months onward	Supervisors, records, audits	KPI attainment; deviation closure	Records without action	Management review and corrective actions
Market/finance integration	Contracts and viable cash cycle	Commercial + finance	6-24 months	Offtake, working capital, insurance	Sales conversion; DSO; margin	Production ahead of market	Stage expansion to contracted demand
Scale-up	Replicated clusters	Programme board	Years 2-5	Finance, suppliers, extension	Coverage; unit-cost trend	Loss of control at scale	Accredited providers and common data system

14. Budget and Resource Framework

Budgets should distinguish one-time capital costs, recurring operating costs, training and technical assistance, monitoring and assurance, contingency and working capital. Unit-cost assumptions should be documented and refreshed through competitive quotations or verified market data. The percentages below are planning bands only and must not substitute for a bill of quantities.

Budget line	Indicative planning band	What to include
Technical design & baseline	3-8%	Diagnostics, surveys, engineering, technical design
Infrastructure / equipment	35-60%	Physical assets, installation, commissioning
Training & extension	8-15%	Training materials, demonstrations, coaching
Digital / monitoring systems	3-10%	Data collection, sensors/software where justified
Quality, certification & assurance	3-8%	Testing, audits, verification, documentation
Operations / working capital	10-25%	Inputs, labour, utilities, packaging,

		transport
Contingency	5-10%	Price, scope and implementation uncertainty

15. SOP and Control Templates

Processing Facility Readiness Checklist

- Feedstock specification and supply plan
- Validated process flow
- Utilities sized and metered
- Hygienic zoning and personnel flow
- GMP prerequisite programmes
- HACCP/preventive-control plan
- Laboratory methods and release criteria
- Packaging and label controls
- By-product/waste plan
- Commissioning and ramp-up plan

Core Industrial KPIs

- Saleable yield %
- OEE or uptime proxy
- Energy/kg product
- Water/kg product
- Right-first-time batch %
- Customer complaint rate
- Out-of-specification rate
- Raw-material conversion margin
- Plant utilisation %
- By-product valorisation %

Minimum SOP Template

Field	Required content
Document control	Title, code, version, owner, approval, effective date
Purpose	What risk or process the SOP controls
Scope	Sites, products, equipment or roles covered
Responsibilities	Who performs, supervises, verifies and approves
Procedure	Step-by-step method with decision points

Limits / criteria	Specifications, thresholds, tolerances or escalation rules
Records	Forms, logs, system entries and retention
Safety / environment	PPE, hazards, waste and emergency actions
Deviation	Containment, escalation, disposition and corrective action
Verification	Inspection, testing, audit or management review

16. Monitoring, Audit and Reporting Tools

Use a monthly operating dashboard, quarterly management review and annual assurance cycle. Dashboards should show target, actual, trend, owner and corrective action. Avoid collecting metrics that do not trigger decisions.

KPI	Baseline	Target	Frequency	Owner	Verification
Saleable yield %	Define baseline	Set annual target	Monthly / seasonal	Named process owner	Source record + spot check
OEE or uptime proxy	Define baseline	Set annual target	Monthly / seasonal	Named process owner	Source record + spot check
Energy/kg product	Define baseline	Set annual target	Monthly / seasonal	Named process owner	Source record + spot check
Water/kg product	Define baseline	Set annual target	Monthly / seasonal	Named process owner	Source record + spot check
Right-first-time batch %	Define baseline	Set annual target	Monthly / seasonal	Named process owner	Source record + spot check
Customer complaint rate	Define baseline	Set annual target	Monthly / seasonal	Named process owner	Source record + spot check
Out-of-specification rate	Define baseline	Set annual target	Monthly / seasonal	Named process owner	Source record + spot check
Raw-material conversion margin	Define baseline	Set annual target	Monthly / seasonal	Named process owner	Source record + spot check
Plant utilisation %	Define baseline	Set annual target	Monthly / seasonal	Named process owner	Source record + spot check
By-product valorisation %	Define baseline	Set annual target	Monthly / seasonal	Named process owner	Source record + spot check

Risk Register Template

Risk	Cause	Likelihood	Impact	Existing controls	Further action	Owner	Due

Climate / extreme weather	Site exposure and variability	M	H	Season planning, drainage/water controls	Trigger-based contingency plan	Operations	Before season
Market / price	Demand or buyer change	M	H	Offtake, diversified channels	Downside sensitivity and alternate buyers	Commercial	Quarterly
Quality / safety	Process or handling failure	M	H	SOPs, QA, traceability	Trend review and verification testing	QA	Monthly
Financial	Cash-flow mismatch	M	H	Budget and approvals	Working-capital plan; staged growth	Finance	Monthly
Skills / turnover	Insufficient competence	M	M	Training records	Cross-train critical roles	HR/Technical	Quarterly

17. Annexes and References

Annex A. Illustrative Crop-to-Industry Matrix

Crop	Feedstock	Primary processing	Potential value-added products	Key controls	Possible co-product routes
Moringa	Leaf / seed	Hygienic drying, milling, oil pressing	Leaf powder, graded botanical ingredient, seed oil, formulated blends	Moisture, microbiology, foreign matter, traceability; market-specific compositional criteria	Stems/residues for compost or other validated uses
Turmeric	Rhizome	Wash, slice, dry, mill; optional extraction	Powder, culinary ingredient, extracts subject to market rules	Curcumin/quality attributes where specified, moisture, microbiology, contaminants	Peels/fines for validated co-product or compost pathways
Hibiscus	Calyces	Clean, controlled dry, grade, pack; optional extraction	Whole/dried calyx, tea cut, powder, colour/flavour ingredients	Colour, moisture, foreign matter, microbiology, pesticide/contaminant compliance	Seeds/fines for validated feed or processing uses where lawful
Garlic	Bulb	Cure, peel/slice, dry, mill	Dried flakes, granules, powder, ingredient blends	Moisture, microbiology, pungency/quality measures where required	Skins/offcuts for controlled organic-waste routes
Black carrot	Root	Wash, cut, juice/concentrate or dry/mill	Colour-rich ingredients, concentrates, powders subject to market approval	Colour strength/specification, microbiology, contaminants, stability	Pomace for validated fibre/compost/feed applications where compliant

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Applicable national legislation, phytosanitary rules, pesticide law, food law, labour law, environmental requirements and destination-market standards should always be verified for the operating country and product.

Important Application Note

This manual is an implementation framework, not a substitute for local law, engineering design, crop-specific agronomy, laboratory validation, certification rules, professional safety advice or destination-market regulatory requirements. Implementers should verify current legal and technical requirements in each operating jurisdiction and maintain evidence of that verification.

Annex B. First 90 Days Mobilisation Plan

Period	Management priority	Required evidence
Days 1-15	Appoint accountable leads; confirm sites, beneficiaries, market assumptions and critical risks.	Signed governance chart, site list, stakeholder map, initial risk register
Days 16-30	Complete baseline data collection and verify the most important technical constraints.	Baseline dataset, field/facility verification notes, gap analysis
Days 31-45	Approve technical standards, priority SOPs, procurement specifications and training plan.	Controlled standards pack, BoQ/specifications, training calendar
Days 46-60	Train first-line implementers and begin priority procurement / site preparation.	Competency records, purchase/contract milestones, readiness checklist
Days 61-75	Commission first systems or controlled pilot operations; begin KPI reporting.	Commissioning records, pilot logs, first dashboard
Days 76-90	Management review: correct failures, approve next rollout stage and lock resource plan.	Corrective-action log, stage-gate decision, 12-month work plan

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