Market Potential of PHEV Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle in Indonesia

PHEV as a Strategic Bridge in Electrification

What is PHEV?

- Combines electric motor and internal combustion engine
- Can run on electric-only for short ranges (40–90 km), but uses fuel for longer drives

Why PHEV Matters

- Solves **range anxiety** while still cutting emissions significantly
- Practical in markets
 with inconsistent charging
 infrastructure
- Can use domestically produced biofuels or synthetic fuels if available

Example:

Volvo XC60 Recharge – 81km electric range (WLTP), total over 900km

Solution for:

- Countries like Indonesia with urban-rural disparity
- Fleets transitioning towards

full electrification

PHEV or EV?

Fuel Economy (cost per mile)

73%



Main Reason Buying an EV?

Even though most people buy BEVs for fuel savings, eco

Status SymbolReduced ParkPeer Pressure Fee

Source: The Road Ahead: Indonesia's Electric Vehicle Readiness and Consumer Insights 2024

The Growth of Indonesia's Automotive & Energy Landscape



Sources: PLN RUPTL 2023–2030, Gaikindo 2024, Ministry of Energy & Mineral Resources

Why PHEV Fits Jakarta Traffic Behaviour



Urban Congestion & Fuel Cost PHEV allows daily commute on electric mode only



Long-distance Driving Culture Fuel for road trips during mudik



Behavioural Familiarity Enables gradual EV education

Challenges for PHEV in Indonesia



Cost and Affordability PHEVs are 20-30% more expensive than ICE Public Misperception Lack of awareness of

how PHEV works

Incentive Gap No clear inclusion of PHEVs in current incentive schemes





Charging and Grid Challenge Lack of charging infrastructure discourage PHEV use in electric mode

Recommendations for Policymakers & Industry Stakeholders

(2025-2028)



Include **PHEV in** incentive frameworks

Introduce usage-based **tax benefits**



Pilot projects with **government fleets**

(2028-2032)

Strengthen renewable share in electricity grid

Expand hybrid and EV charging infrastructure

Local component development



(Post 2032)

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Phase out support for PHEV

Encourage full batteryelectric transition

PHEV is not a detour from electrification – it is a highway that

enables more people to get there sooner.