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CELEBRATING ENVIRONMENT DAY, SRIKANDI PETROKIMIA GRESIK HELD MANGROVE PLANTING

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Srikandi Petrokimia Gresik which attached in Women Employee Organization of Petrokimia Gresik was holding Mangrove Planting at Pusat Restorasi dan Penanaman Mangrove (PRPM) or translated into Restoration and Mangrove Planting Center (RMPC) at Tanjungwidoro Village, Bungah Sub-district, Gresik Regency, on Tuesday (14/6), to **Celebrating Environment World Day** every June.

Operation and Production Director of Petrokimia Gresik, Digna Jatiningsih conveyed that the event entitled "Perempuan Peduli Bumi, Selamatkan Generasi" translated into Women Who Care Earth, They Save the Generation is an effort of women to environmental sustainability.

"This is a form of support from women employee of Petrokimia Gresik in increasing the standard of company environmental concern, especially at coastal area in Gresik," said Digna.

This is important, considering data from Ministry of Sea and Fishery of Republic of Indonesia mention that the wide area of mangrove in Indonesia is decreasing by time to time. The decreasing of those are is cause by land conversion in to fishpond, residential, port, road, hotel, apartment, illegal logging, and etc.

"The area decrease give impact that harm the environment, especially people who live at the coastal so that it needs special preservation." Said Digna.

Digna continue explain that this event is in accordance with Corporate Social and Environment Responsibility (CSER) Program. PRPM Mengare is one of CSER program of Petrokimia Gresik in the form social empowerment through Coastal Conservation. It aims to decrease the activity of abrasion and create alternative work place from educated coastal ecotourism.

Beside PRPM Mengare, the development of mangrove ecotourism by Petrokimia Gresik also run in Kali Lamong and it already be tourism object destination in Gresik. Then, Petrokimia Gresik also contribute in the development of Mangrove Ujungpangkah Essential Economic Area (EEA), until it gets appreciation from Ministry of Environment and Forestry Republic of Indonesia at category "Private Sector/Corporation" in 2021.

"We realize that this planting still can not add the wide area of mangrove forest in Indonesia significantly, but we sure that big change always started with a little action," said Digna.

Last, Digna emphasized that as a part of SOEs that become a locomotive to build nation, Petrokimia Gresik commit to do repairment continuously in running it business operational to minimizing the impact of environment pollution and realize sustainable development.

Commitment to environment can be seen at "Propernas Emas" that we got (Highest predicate in sector of environment management) given by Ministry of Environment and Forestry Republic of Indonesia, as well as 6 times Green Industry level 5 from Ministry of Industrial.



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At the same occasion, Head Village of Tanjungwidoro, Mastain represented people of the village appreciate the concern of Women employee of Petrokimia Gresik in decreasing abrasion at his area. He expects, this mangrove conservation can give economic advantage for Tanjungwidoro people.

"In the future, we hope there is assistance from women employee of Tanjungwidoro people to utilize this mangrove forest optimally and sustainably," closed Mastain.

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