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EAST JAVA SOE COVID-19 TASK FORCE DISTRIBUTES RP. 34,88 BILLION IN ASSISTANCE

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Command Center Post

Petrokimia Gresik is Agroindustry Solutions company and holding member of Pupuk Indonesia, also as the coordinator of East Java SOE Response to Covid-19 officially was closing the operational of 33 State-Owned Acceleration Handling of Covid-19 Post in East Java Regency/City Region today, Tuesday (6/30).

President Director of Petrokimia Gresik, Rahmad Pribadi in his speech virtually explained that along with the loosening of Large Scale Social Restrictions and the new normal transition period which is implemented by the central and regional governments, certainly the duty of task force will also gradually diminish. One of them began with the discharge of SOE Acceleration Handling of Covid-19 Post operations at East Java Regency/City level.

"From 35 Post spread in East Java region, 33 Post is officially closed. So that only Pesonna Hotel Post and Gresik Command Center Post still active until now," said Rahmad.

These 35 command posts were built on the synergy of 19 SOEs involved in the East Java SOE Task Force Response to Covid-19 as a follow-up to the direction of SOE Minister Erick Thohir who instructing all SOEs to contribute in accelerating the handling of Covid-19 in all regions in Indonesia.

The total aid that had been distributed by the Task Force as of June 26, 2020 as much as Rp34,88 billion. Consists of medicines (Rp2,68 billion), Personal Protective Equipment (Rp19,86 billion), food packages (Rp8,52 billion), and other aid which was worth Rp3,82 billion.

"From those total aid, Petrokimia Gresik's contribution as much as Rp24,4 billion or 70 percent and the remaining 30 percent came from other SOEs," Rahmad said.

Those aid was distributed to referral hospitals, Public Health Center, also through district/city governments, provincial governments and other government agencies and also handed over directly to the people of East Java.

Since the beginning of the post was built in March to June 23, 2020, total visits to all posts reached 17,989 people. This shows that all posts had performed their functions very well in the delivery of information on prevention of Covid-19, public health inspection services/visitors, and distribution of aid.

"We received many reports from the community around the post, they were satisfied and helped by the presence of East Java SOE Covid-19 Post," Rahmad added.

At the same occasion, Rahmad conveyed thank you for the devotion and struggle of medical personnel as the forefront in handling the Covid-19, especially the medical fighter in 14 SOE hospitals in East Java.

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PT PAL Indonesia's Director of Human Resources & General, Etty Soewardani said that her company as the Logistic Coordinator of the East Java SOE Task Force Response To Covid-19 appreciated the collaboration and synergy of SOEs in East Java that succeeded the Task Force's duty in supporting Covid-19 prevention.

But she hopes that even though the operational post is closed, SOEs will continue to collaborate because the pandemic is still affecting Indonesia, especially in East Java. Even now in Surabaya City is still unable to adjust to New Normal, because the addition of positive cases of Covid-19 in Gresik, Sidoarjo and Surabaya is still quite high.

"Even though the Post is closed, We hope that all SOEs continue to the collaboration to defeat Covid-19," she said.

Meanwhile, the General Manager of Pesonna Hotel Ampel Surabaya, Cucun Mansur, conveyed that the formation of the post was very effective in preventing Covid-19 contagion to the smallest line, because volunteers at the post actively educated the local community to always implement the Covid-19 prevention protocol.

"The visits of community in Post are very high, and the advantage is really felt by community," He said.

At last, Rahmad continued to invite all parties to comply with health protocols in daily activities and business operations so that the spread of the Covid-19 virus could be more controlled.

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