PRESS RELEASE



PETROKIMIA GRESIK OPTIMIZE THE ROLE OF GRESIK AGRICULTURE THROUGH PHONSKA OCA "DAMBAAN DEMPLOTS" AT 21 POINTS

Number: 26/SP/PG/IV/2021 Day / Date: Monday, 12 April 2021

Place : Gresik

Event : Planting together with the "Demplot Dambaan" (Sustainable Good Impact

Demonstration Plot).

Petrokimia Gresik is Agroindustry Solutions company and member of <u>Pupuk Indonesia</u> holding along with District Military Command 0817/Gresik and Gresik Regency Government were holding a "Demplot Dambaan" (Sustainable Good Impact Demonstration Plot) used Phonska OCA fertilizer at some Gresik, East Java region.

Operations and Production Director of Petrokimia Gresik, Digna Jatiningsih explained that Petrokimia Gresik through the "Demplot Dambaan" Program wants to provide Sustainable Good Impact for agriculture in Gresik Regency, which is the home base company's.

"Gresik has been known as an industrial city, but the role of the agricultural sector in achieving food self-sufficiency is also quite large. This demonstration plot is Petrokimia Gresik's support so that the contribution of agriculture in Gresik for national food security is more optimal, " said Digna.

Based on data from the Central Statistics Agency, currently Gresik Regency has 64 hectares (ha) of paddy fields. Meanwhile, the resulting rice production reaches 264 thousand tons per year. This productivity proves that Gresik Regency still has the potential as an agricultural area.

Digna added that all agricultural potentials must now be optimized, including in Gresik, remembering the crucial role of agriculture during the Covid-19 pandemic. Agriculture is a safety milestone in the midst of pandemic because people need healthy food as a basic need.

"The role of the agricultural sector as a food provider is becoming increasingly important and strategic in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic," he said.

The "Dambaan" demonstration plot, continued Digna, was held at 21 points in 15 subdistricts in Gresik Regency. The fifteen sub-districts are Kebomas, Cerme, Benjeng, Wringinanom, Menganti, Kedamean, Manyar, Bungah, Sidayu, Ujung Pangkah, Panceng, Dukun, Duduksampeyan, Driyorejo, and Balongpanggang.

The total area of the demonstration plot reaches 10.5 ha, with each spot covering an area of 0.5 ha. This demonstration plot involved 20 Field Agricultural Extension, 21 Agricultural Group as well as assisted by Officers and Territorial Staff from 15 commander of the army administrative unit at the district level and 21 non-commissioned officer for village guidance.

"In this case, Petrokimia Gresik provides assistance in the form of seeds, as well as fertilization technology assistance and pesticide control," said Digna.

Furthermore, Digna explained that through this demonstration plot, Petrokimia Gresik wants to invite farmers to apply balanced fertilization by combining the use of organic fertilizers and non-organic fertilizers according to the recommended dosage so that productivity increases and the fertility of agricultural land is maintained. The fertilization patterns applied include

PRESS RELEASE



NPK Phonska Plus (150 kg/0.5 ha), Petroganik (250 kg/0.5 ha), Urea (100 kg/0.5 ha) and Phonska OCA 3 liters/0.5 ha.

"Agricultural intensification and improvement of land quality are strategies to boost the productivity of food crops, especially in Gresik, which is also known as a satellite city," she said.

In addition, through this demonstration plot, Petrokimia Gresik also wants to introduce the liquid organic fertilizer Phonska Oca directly to Gresik farmers for the first time. Application of 3 liters/0.5 ha by spraying. Phonska Oca is an organic product whose production is 100% using domestic raw materials.

"Phonska Oca is complementary or additional to complement the concept of balanced fertilization with an increase in yield of up to 10 to 60% depending on the type of commodity. Phonska Oca is not a fertilizer that is applied independently," explained Digna.

Last, Digna also revealed that Petrokimia Gresik this year is running the Agro Solution program initiated by Pupuk Indonesia. Namely, the intensive agricultural assistance program as a solution to various obstacles experienced by farmers and aims to improve farmers' welfare.

"In this program, we work together with all stakeholders to provide intensive assistance to farmers, guaranteeing good quality of agro-input in terms of supply, quality and price of fertilizers and pesticides. As well as facilitating the marketing of crops to improve the welfare of farmers. This program is also an effort to restore the national economy in the midst of the Covid-19 outbreak," she said.

"Dambaan Program"

For information, Petrokimia Gresik currently has a new program called "Dambaan" which is an acronym for "Sustainable Good Impact". Through this program, Petrokimia Gresik wants to provide continuous benefits for the community around the company.

Apart from the "Dambaan Demonstration Plot", another "Dambaan" program that has been implemented by Petrokimia Gresik is "Dambaan Village". This program invites the community around the company to be pro-active in efforts to prevent the contagion of Covid-19.

"Along with the progress of the company, the positive role of Petrokimia Gresik for the surrounding community must also be more sustainable," concluded Digna.

PT Petrokimia Gresik For further information contact:

Corporate Secretary: Yusuf Wibisono

Office: (031) 3981811 Ext 2218

Yusuf Wibisono Email: wibisono@petrokimia-gresik.com

Corporate Secretary yusufwibie@gmail.com