

Business Collaboration DEMONSTRATION PLOT OF 1000 HECTARES FIELDS PADDY IN SOUTHEAST SULAWESI PETROKIMIA GRESIK READY TO FULFILL THE FERTILIZER NEEDS

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Place	: Lalosabila Village, Wawatobi Sub-district, Konawe District, Southeast Sulawesi
Event	: First harvest of Trisakti paddy

Petrokimia Gresik is a company of agroindustry solution and the holding member of Pupuk Indonesia, along with Tiphone Mobile Indonesia and Institute for Agricultural Technology Assessment (BPTP) Southeaast Sulawesi, were harvesting for the first time in demonstration plot (demplot) in a land of 5 hectares owned by BPTP, Southeast Sulawesi in Lalosabila Village, Wawatobi Sub-district, Konawe District, Sunday (9/2).

The harvest estimation in that land was reaching 7-8 tons per hectare or more higher around 2-3 tons per hectare from the average in Indoensia (5 tons per hectare.

President Director of Petrokimia Gresik, Rahmad Pribadi conveyed that this paddy harvest is the first step from a bigger cooperation. This collaboration was started from the vision between two parties in order to support and realize high and sustainable agriculture productivity.

"Furthermore, we will gradually conduct demonstration plots in 1,000 hectares of paddy fields this year," Rahmad explained.

First step will be done in paddy fields of 300 hectares in Konda sub-district, South Konawe district, southeast Sulawesi. The Planting will begin on February 15, 2020.

"For this cooperation, we will support through our newest fertilizer product, NPK Petro Nitrate, with dose of 200 kg per hectare. Fertilization itself will be carried out in early March 2020, "Rahmad said.

NPK Petro Nitrate is a 16-16-16 NPK fertilizer that can be applied to food crops and horticulture. This product was released in 2018 and has passed trials on various plants in various regions. This trial was conducted independently or in collaboration with independent parties, especially BPTP in various provinces.

"As a result, NPK Petro Nitrate has succeeded in increasing yields and harvest quality of various types of plants in various locations," Rahmad said.

In addition to NPK Petro Nitrate, this collaboration is also supported by the superior seeds of Trisakti owned by Tiphone Mobile Indonesia. This rice seed can be harvested in 70-75 days after planting, much faster than the average of other rice seeds, which generally harvest 95-110 days after planting.

For technical product applications, the dosage of NPK Petro Nitrate fertilizer is 200 kg per hectare (3x application) and superior rice seeds of Trisakti is 25 kg per hectare.



Rahmad, hoped that this collaboration can support the government's efforts to increase paddy productivity in Indonesia, especially outside of Java.

This collaboration is in line with the direction of Petrokimia Gresik's business, which now wants to manifest itself as an agroindustry solution company for sustainable agriculture, as well as a form of strengthening the commercial sector (non-subsidized) fertilizer market.

"Indeed, we are currently running a Business Transformation program in which one of the efforts is to increase the capacity of commercial products. Hopefully, Petrokimia Gresik can compete in the free market and be ready to face the discourse of diversion of subsidized fertilizer by the government, "said Rahmad.

Meanwhile, besides harvesting rice during his visit to Southeast Sulawesi, Rahmad also visited fertilizer buffer warehouse in Kendari to check directly and ensure the availability of fertilizer for farmers is safe.

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