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Implemented LSSR PETROKIMIA GRESIK ENSURE THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUBSIDIZED FERTILIZERS CONTINUES

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Petrokimia Gresik is an Agroindustry Solution Company and holding member of Pupuk Indonesia, ensure that the distribution of products, especially subsidized fertilizer, will not be disturbed when implementing the Large Scale Social Restrictions (LSSR) policy.

The LSSR policy for Surabaya City, Sidoarjo Regency, and eight sub-districts in Gresik Regency, East Java, was start today effectively, Tuesday (28/4). Petrokimia Gresik operational area is included in three sub-districts in Gresik Regency that implement the LSSR, namely the Gresik, Kebomas, and Manyar ssub-districts.

Petrokimia Gresik Corporate Secretary, Yusuf Wibisono stated that as stipulated in Minister of Health Regulation No. 9 of 2020 concerning the LSSR Guidelines in the context of the Covid-19 Handling Acceleration, Petrokimia Gresik is included in the category of industries that produce goods, in this case is subsidized fertilizers, to support the agricultural sector.

"Therefore we are still allowed to operate during the LSSR period which starts effective today until the 11th May 2020," said Yusuf.

Furthermore, Yusuf ensured that production and distribution activities to the warehouses of the buffer to the retailers still continued. This is very important considering fertilizer is one of the production instruments to increase agriculture productivity and maintain national food security.

"This is in line with the direction of SOE Minister Erick Thohir who instructed SOE companies in the field of food to always maintain the availability of stock and staples, as well as maintain their distribution during the pandemic," Yusuf said.

Yusuf stated that the allocation of national subsidized fertilizer in 2020 was 7.9 million tons. From this entire amount, Petrokimia Gresik received an allocation of 4.7 million tons. Until April 27, 2020, distribution realization had reached 1.69 million tons or 36 percent from the total Petrokimia Gresik allocation.

"Especially for East Java Province, the realization of distribution is 632 thousand tons or 31 percent of the 2 million tons allocated for Petrokimia Gresik distribution," explained Yusuf.

Pupuk Indonesia as the holding company which was conveyed by Head of Corporate Communication, Wijaya Laksana a few days ago, had been preparing one million tons of subsidized fertilizer allocation for next three week.

378 thousand tons of them are from Petrokimia Gresik. This amount is two times more than the government regulation as much as 176 thousand tons. While in East Java Province, the

available stock is 142 thousand tons or 181 percent of the government regulation as much as 78 thousand tons.

Yusuf stated that although company was allowed to continue operating, but still followed the other provisions contained in the minister of health regulation about LSSR.

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"Among them is to pay attention to the minimum number of workers, and implement the Covid-19 protocol strictly," said Yusuf.

The protocol which should be done is implementing a full Work From Home (WFH) for employees over 50 years of age, domiciled in Surabaya, Sidoarjo, Malang, and Lamongan, as well as having illness such as high blood pressure, heart, lungs, and pregnant women.

"Not only employees, this policy also applies to outsourcing workers, daily, to wholesale, who currently work in the Petrokimia Gresik environment," said Yusuf.

Meanwhile, workers who live in Gresik and are under 50 years old are also required to implement WFH, but they are not full time WFH. Because the workforce is still present according to schedule and can be called out when needed.

"In addition, we also implement physical distancing rules, check daily body temperature, prohibit travel outside Gresik, including yearly going home, and a number of other strict rules. Violators will get strict sanctions, "said Yusuf.

In addition to supporting the implementation of the LSSR, Petrokimia Gresik is also the coordinator of the SOE Task Force Response to Covid-19 in East Java. Through this opportunity, Petrokimia Gresik, together with other SOE companies in East Java, has distributed various aids.

"Such as personal protective equipment and medicines to dozens of hospitals, distribution of food packages, masks, hand sanitizers, disinfectant spraying, and various other socialization and education activities," said Yusuf.

Finally, Petrokimia Gresik hopes that the various efforts made by the government in tackling the spread of Covid-19 can run smoothly and effectively. However, this is certainly very dependent on mutual commitment.

"For this reason, we invite all levels of society to fully support government policies, and hopefully we all can get out of this pandemic soon," concluded Yusuf.

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