

**PETROKIMIA GRESIK COOPERATE WITH MADURA FOUNDATION CARE INDONESIA
TO DISTRIBUTE FOOD AID**

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As East Java SOE Task Force Coordinator Response to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (Covid-19), Petrokimia Gresik an Agroindustry Solution company and the member holding of Pupuk Indonesia at the other chance distribute food aids for East Java Community, especially Madura Island through Madura Foundation Care Indonesia.

Food aid which in the form of 12 tons of rice and 400 boxes of instant noodles was symbolically handed over by the Director of Finance, Human Resources & General of Petrokimia Gresik, Dwi Ary Purnomo to the head of the Madura Foundation Care Indonesia Umar Wachidin at the SOE East Java Command Center at Tri Dharma Multi Building of Petrokimia Gresik, Monday (4/27).

The Corporate Secretary as well as Petrokimia Gresik Covid-19 Task Force Spokesperson, Yusuf Wibisono, explained that the effort to break the chain of distribution of Covid-19 requires the active role of all parties to help each other from various aspects, and always adhere to the regulations set by the government.

Yusuf also explained that the Covid-19 pandemic had an impact on almost all sectors in Indonesia including the economy, so the handling had to cover the entire sector comprehensively.

"For this reason, in addition to actively providing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) assistance to dozens of hospitals, we are also actively distributing food assistance to ease the burden which economically affected Covid-19 community," said Yusuf.

This food assistance is to help the community meet their daily needs during the physical distancing policy and the #DiRumahAja appeal which was intensified by the central and regional governments in anticipation to the spread of Covid-19, as well as the implementation of Large Scale Social Restrictions (LSSR).

Although Madura has not yet implemented the LSSR, this assistance is important given remembering that three of the four districts on Madura Island namely Bangkalan, Pamekasan and most recently Sumenep are included in the Covid-19 red zone.

Various social and economic activities, such as food stalls, shops, or other activities that involve many people, are urged to temporarily close. So that the regional economy becomes lethargic and small communities really feel the impact.

"Hopefully this assistance will be useful and can help to ease the burden on Madura community who are affected by the economic slowdown caused by Covid-19," Yusuf added.

This assistance complements the food assistance provided by Petrokimia Gresik for community of East Java. Previously, Petrokimia Gresik provided basic food assistance to the community of Gresik, Lamongan and Pasuruan.

On this occasion, Yusuf again invited people to reduce activities outside which less necessary. Yusuf also hopes that this outbreak will end soon and all community activities can run as usual.

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