

## **GUARANTEED ACCESS TO FARMERS 'CAPITAL, PETROKIMIA GRESIK COOPERATE WITH BRI IN AGRO SOLUTION PROGRAM**

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Place : Gresik  
Event : The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signing of Agro Solution Cooperation between Petrokimia Gresik and BRI Regional Office Surabaya.

Petrokimia Gresik is an Agroindustry Solution company and a member of the [Pupuk Indonesia](#) holding company, collaborates with Bank of BRI Surabaya Regional Office to ensure access to capital for farmers in East Java. The signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was held in Gresik, East Java, Thursday (15/4 /).

President Director of Petrokimia Gresik Dwi Satriyo Annurogo explained that Petrokimia Gresik through the Agro Solution program seeks to increase the productivity of agriculture and smallholder plantations, especially in East Java, as a national agricultural production center province.

Even though in aggregate the production of agricultural commodities has increased, but in terms of productivity the results are still unstable. "This instability in productivity occurs because farmers still face a number of obstacles, one of which is the difficulty in accessing production facilities and capital," said Dwi Satriyo.

Apart from access to capital, other obstacles faced by farmers include limited assistance to farmers, the selling price of their crops tends to fall at harvest time, and have not yet protected farmers from the risk of crop failure.

For this reason, Petrokimia Gresik, through the Agro Solution program initiated by Pupuk Indonesia, wants to facilitate farmers to access capital facilities from financial institutions. In this case, PT Petrokimia Gresik collaborates with the Surabaya Regional Office BRI Bank to provide farming capital facilities through the Smallholder Business Credit (SBC) scheme.

"Through the Agro Solution program, Petrokimia Gresik is working with various stakeholders to try to provide solutions to various obstacles faced by farmers. If these agricultural constraints are resolved, the increase in productivity of agricultural products in order to boost the welfare of farmers can be achieved," said Dwi Satriyo.

Dwi Satriyo further explained, in this program Petrokimia Gresik is tasked with providing quality non-subsidized fertilizers, cultivation controls, control of pests and plant diseases through its subsidiaries, namely Petrosida Gresik and Petrokimia Kayaku, as well as Soil Testing Car, so that farmers can obtain fertilization recommendations according to soil conditions and crop needs.

Through the Agro Solution program, Dwi Satriyo hopes that farmers can recognize and use non-subsidized fertilizers produced by Petrokimia Gresik to boost farm productivity and the quality of agricultural and plantation products, so that farmers' income and welfare will increase.

Previously, Petrokimia Gresik had signed an MoU on the cooperation of the Agro Solution program with the Gempolkrep Sugar Factory (PG) to assist sugarcane farmers in East Java, with a target area of between 8,000 and 10,000 hectares (ha). In addition, Petrokimia Gresik also runs the Agro Solution program with corn farmers in East Lombok, rice farmers in Bojonegoro, and other commodity farmers in West Java, Central Java and NTB.

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