

Planting Season
**PETROKIMIA GRESIK ENSURE THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUBSIDIZED FERTILIZER
ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT PROVISIONS**

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The President Director of Petrokimia Gresik, Dwi Satriyo Annurogo ensures that the distribution of subsidized fertilizers is in accordance with government provisions. This was conveyed by him when accompanying members of Commission IV of the Indonesian House of Representatives to visit Petrokimia Gresik's Warehouse Kediri sub-district, Tabanan Regency, Bali Province, Monday (15/2).

"The distribution of fertilizers is a very vital factor. Moreover, increasing agricultural productivity is not only maintaining food security but also as an effort to restore the national economy due to the Covid-19 outbreak," he said.

Dwi Satriyo ensures that for the distribution of subsidized fertilizers, Petrokimia Gresik is guided by the Regulation of the Minister of Agriculture 49/2020 concerning Allocation and Highest Retail Price of Subsidized Fertilizer for Fiscal Year 2021 and MOT 15/2013 on Procurement and Distribution of Subsidized Fertilizer for the Agricultural Sector.

Farmers who are entitled to subsidized fertilizers are farmers who cultivate less than 2 hectares of land, are members of a farmer group, and prepare an Electronic Group Needs Definitive Plan (E-RDKK).

"The issue of scarcity of fertilizers usually occurs in farmers who have not compiled the E-RDKK. Because it is the mandatory requirement for farmers to receive subsidies, they must first compile E-RDKK," he explained.

In addition, Dwi Satriyo is aware of the potential issue of fertilizer scarcity in 2021, because the allocation of subsidized fertilizers from the government has not fully met the fertilizer needs of farmers.

Referring to the E-RDKK 2021, the need for fertilizer for farmers in Indonesia is recorded at 23 million tons. Meanwhile, the allocation of subsidized fertilizer provided by the government is only 9.04 million tons and 1.5 million liters of liquid organic fertilizer (equivalent to 1,500 tons).

"This gap often triggers the issue of scarcity of fertilizers in several regions. But farmers do not need to be worry, because Petrokimia Gresik prepares non-subsidized fertilizers as an alternative," said Dwi Satriyo.

Meanwhile, in the distribution of subsidized fertilizers, Petrokimia Gresik also adheres to the 6 Right Principles, namely Right Place, Right Place, Right Price, Right Amount, Right Quality, Right Type, and Right Time. As well as being escorted by field officers throughout Indonesia who regularly coordinate with the Department of Agriculture, Field Extension Officers/PPL, farmer groups, and local authorities.

Regarding fertilization, Petrokimia Gresik urges farmers to follow the recommendations for balanced fertilization of 5:3:2. Where for one hectare of rice fields, 500 kg of organic [Petroganik](#) fertilizer is sufficient, 300 kg of [NPK Phonska](#) or [Phonska Plus](#) fertilizer, and 200 kg of [Urea](#) fertilizer.

Balanced fertilization is a solution from Petrokimia Gresik for farmers who tend to use excessive fertilizers. So that the limited allocation of subsidized fertilizers can be more effective and efficient, with maximum results or productivity.

"We highly recommend balanced fertilization because it has been proven to be able to increase yields of one to two tons per hectare," said Dwi Satriyo.

Lastly, Petrokimia Gresik appealed to distributors and related parties to increase synergy for the benefit of farmers and smooth distribution of subsidized fertilizers.

He reminded that his party did not hesitate to take firm action against the distributors and distributors of subsidized fertilizers who were caught committing fraud. This is because subsidized fertilizer is an item under supervision and must be distributed according to regulations. All forms of fraud will be confronted by the authorities.

"We do not hesitate to take firm action against dishonest distributors and distributors of subsidized fertilizers. Remember, that every act of misuse of subsidized fertilizers can be subject to a maximum sentence of 5 years in prison," he concluded.

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