

October 23, 2013

Inauguration Ceremony Held for PT. NIPPON SHOKUBAI INDONESIA's New AA/SAP Plants

NIPPON SHOKUBAI CO., LTD. [Headquarters: Chuo-ku, Osaka; President: Masanori Ikeda, TOSE:4114.T] ("NIPPON SHOKUBAI") announced that today, October 23, 2013, its subsidiary PT.NIPPON SHOKUBAI INDONESIA ("NSI") held an inauguration ceremony for the new Acrylic Acid ("AA") plant and the new superabsorbent polymers ("SAP") plant in Cilegon, Indonesia.

(The outline of NSI and the detail of capacity expansion work are mentioned below.)



SAP, one of NIPPON SHOKUBAI's core businesses, shows steady growth of demand as a raw material of disposable diapers. NIPPON SHOKUBAI already established its production and supply network in the four key markets in Japan, America, Europe and China. With the start of the new AA and SAP plants at NSI, NIPPON SHOKUBAI group's global AA and SAP production capacity is as mentioned below, and NIPPON SHOKUBAI will enhance its position as one of the world top suppliers of SAP.

AA and SAP Production Capacity of NIPPON SHOKUBAI Group (MT/Y)

	End 2012	End 2013
AA	620,000	700,000
SAP	470,000	560,000

The main attendants for the ceremony are as follows;

Mr. M.S. Hidayat, Minister for Industry, Indonesia

Mr. Yoshinori Katori, Japanese Ambassador to Indonesia

Ms. Lestari Indah, Deputy Chairman of BKPM, Indonesia

Mr. B.T. Iman Ariadi, Mayor of Cilegon

Mr. Masanori Ikeda, President, NIPPON SHOKUBAI

Mr. Masakazu Tanaka, President Director, NSI

Number of attendants for the ceremony is around 200.

◆ Corporate outline of NSI

Established	August 1996
Location	Cilegon, Indonesia (Headquarters and plant)
Representative	Masakazu Tanaka (Mr.), President Director
Business	Production and sales of AA, acrylates and SAP
Capital	120 million US dollars, paid in capital 93.7% owned by NIPPON SHOKUBAI
Number of employees	390 as of June 30, 2013

◆ Feature of capacity expansion work

Production capacity	AA 80,000 MT/Y (2nd plant) As capacity of the 1st plant is 60,000 MT/Y, after the completion total capacity is 140,000 MT/Y. SAP 90,000 MT/Y
Schedule	Mechanical completion – March 2013 Commercial operation – October 2013
Location	Existing plant site of NSI
Investment amount	Approx. 300 million US dollars

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