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Nippon Shokubai's Indonesian Subsidiary Holds Groundbreaking Ceremony for New Superabsorbent Polymer Plant

PT. NIPPON SHOKUBAI INDONESIA (hereinafter “NSI”), the Indonesian subsidiary of NIPPON SHOKUBAI CO., LTD. (Headquarters: Osaka, Japan, President: Kazuhiro Noda, hereinafter “Nippon Shokubai”), held a groundbreaking ceremony on August 7, 2025, for the new superabsorbent polymer (“SAP”) plant in Cilegon, Indonesia.



SAP, one of Nippon Shokubai's core businesses, has experienced steady growth in demand as a key material for disposable diapers. Nippon Shokubai group has established its SAP production sites in Japan, the U.S, Europe, China and Indonesia, as well as its global supply network. To meet the strong demand growth in Asian region, Nippon Shokubai has decided to further expand the capacity of SAP production, taking advantage of the existing acrylic acid (“AA”) production capacity, the raw material for SAP at NSI (please refer to the News Release dated August 2, 2024).

With this SAP expansion project at NSI, Nippon Shokubai group's global SAP production capacity will be as below, and Nippon Shokubai group will enhance its position as one of the world's leading suppliers of SAP.

SAP Production Capacity of Nippon Shokubai group (MT/Y)

	August 2025	July 2027
SAP	710,000	760,000

1. Feature of investment

Production capacity	SAP 50,000 MT/Y (current capacity 90,000 MT/Y, total 140,000 MT/Y after completion)
Schedule	Mechanical completion – January 2027 Commercial operation – July 2027
Location	Existing plant site of NSI
Investment amount	Approx. 110 million US dollars

2. Corporate outline of NSI

Established	August 1996
Location	Cilegon, Banten Province, Republic of Indonesia (head office and plant)
Representative	Hirobumi Mihono (Mr.) President Director
Business	Manufacture and sale of AA, acrylates and SAP
Capital	120 million US dollars (paid-in capital) 99.9% contributed by Nippon Shokubai
Number of employees	449 (as of March 31, 2025)
Website	https://shokubai.co.id/

【Related releases】

- Nippon Shokubai Announces a Subsidiary in Indonesia Plans to Expand Its Superabsorbent Polymers (SAP) Plant (August 2, 2024)
<https://www.shokubai.co.jp/en/news/2024080214262/>

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