

CGB/kk HEADQUARTERS, 92ND MILITARY GOVERNMENT GROUP  
KAGOSHIMA, KYUSHU, JAPAN  
APO 929

19 February 1946

SUBJECT: Chemical Fertilizers

TO : The Commanding Officer,  
95th Military Government Group

1. Reference your communication dated 9 Feb 46, Kagoshima prefecture estimates annual nitrogenous fertilizer needs at 55,000 metric tons, received 6,071 tons during 1945, has none on hand, has no sources of production and needs 55,000 tons from outside prefecture in 1946.

2. Prefecture estimates annual phosphate fertilizer needs at 52,000 metric tons, received 643 tons in 1945, has 100 tons on hand, has no present source of production and at present must obtain all needs from outside prefecture.

3. This headquarters has initiated and encouraged efforts to resume long abandoned low grade guano digging on the nearby Kusagaki Islands. Two small vessels have been obtained and are under repair, tools and supplies are being gathered and laborers recruited. It is hoped to obtain a minimum of 320 tons monthly of second rate phosphate fertilizer from this source and the enthusiasts are predicting production as high as 1,200 tons monthly. This seems most unlikely in view of the primitive state of production and transportation means available.

For the Commanding Officer:



C. G. BARRY  
Lt. Cmdr., USNR.



**HEADQUARTERS**  
**93RD HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT**  
**MILITARY GOVERNMENT GROUP, OITA DETACHMENT, OITA, JAPAN**

Serial No : 6023-a

16 February, 1946

Subject : Chemical Fertilizers

To : Commanding Officer, 95th Military Government Group, Kurume, Kyushu, Japan APO 929.

1. Confirming telephone conversation of this date the following information concerning chemical fertilizer requirements, production, and supplies for Oita Prefecture is submitted.

- a. Nitrogenous Fertilizer (Ammonium Sulphate or its equivalent).
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|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| (1) Required                         | 30,643 metric Tons |
| (2) On hand                          | 0                  |
| (3) Sources of production            | NONE               |
| (4) Required from outside Prefecture | 30,643 metric Tons |
| (5) Surplus production               | 0                  |
- b. Phosphonic Fertilizers (Calcium Phosphate 30% or its equivalent).
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|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| (1) Required                         | 18,740 metric tons |
| (2) On hand                          | 0                  |
| (3) Sources of production            | NONE               |
| (4) Required from outside Prefecture | 18,740 metric tons |
| (5) Surplus production               | 0                  |
- c. Potassium Fertilizers (Potassium Sulphate 48% or its equivalent).
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|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| (1) Required                         | 2,695 metric tons |
| (2) On hand                          | 0                 |
| (3) Sources of production            | NONE              |
| (4) Required from outside Prefecture | 2,695 metric tons |
| (5) Surplus production               | 0                 |

2. Above requirements are based on figures for 1938. It is noted that for the same period in 1945 a total of 1750 metric tons of nitrogenous and potassium fertilizers was allocated to Oita Ken and distributed to the farmers.

3. The last distribution of fertilizers, ammonium sulphate - 450 metric tons and calcium cyanamide - 100 metric tons, was made in January 1946 and must carry the farmers



CHEMICAL FERTILIZERS  
REPORT

Area covered: Saga Ken

Period: 6 months period starting 1 March 1946

Basis for Computation: 1938

1. TOTAL METRIC TONS REQUIRED:

- a. Nitrogenous Fertilizer (Ammonium Sulphate or its equivalent) (Ammonium Sulphate N 20% )  
18,200 tons
- b. Phosphoric Fertilizer (Calcium Phosphate 30% or its equivalent) (Calcium Superphosphate P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> 30%)  
10,100 tons
- c. Potassium Fertilizer (Potassium Sulphate 48% or its equivalent) (Potassium Sulphate K<sub>2</sub>O 48%)  
4,100 tons

2. TOTAL METRIC TONS ON HAND IN SAGA KEN:

None

3. SOURCES OF PRODUCTION IN SAGA KEN:

None

4. QUANTITY NEEDED FROM SOURCES OUTSIDE SAGA KEN:

Total as given in 1(a), (b) and (c)

5. SURPLUS PRODUCTION IN SAGA KEN:

None



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29 Jan 46

**SUBJECT:** Chemical Fertilizers

**TO:** Commanding Officer, 107th Military Government Group, APO 98  
Commanding Officer, 95th Military Government Group, APO 929  
Commanding Officer, 94th Military Government Group, APO 24

1. Reports by prefectures will be submitted to this Headquarters marked "Attention: Military Government Section" on or before 15 February 1946 regarding the Chemical Fertilizer situation in each prefecture within your zone of responsibility.

2. The following information will be given for a six months period beginning 1 March 1946. Figures will be expressed in metric tons.

a. Nitrogenous Fertilizer (Ammonium Sulphate or its equivalent).

- (1) Total required by prefecture
- (2) Total on hand in prefecture
- (3) Sources of production and quantity within the prefecture
- (4) Quantity needed from sources outside the prefecture
- (5) Surplus production if any in prefecture

b. Phosphoric Fertilizers (Calcium Phosphate 30% or its equivalent). List (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) as in Par 2. a. above.

c. Potassium Fertilizers (Potassium Sulphate 48% or its equivalent). List (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) as in Par 2.a. above.

3. Quantities of fertilizer used in 1938 should be used as a basis for computing requirements.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

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