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THE FERTILIZER INDUSTRY OF TURKEY 1

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1. Introduction

In order to give an idea of the place occupied by the chemical fertilizer industry in the Turkish economy, the existing factories, with their production capacities in 1970, are listed in table 1.

Turkey is being provisionally supplied with phosphate by Tunisia under a five-year agreement concluded in 1969, and in potassium by various producing countries; it produces its nitrogen on the basis either of coal (lignite) or of ammonia recovered from coking.

2. Production

Depending on the methods adopted or manufacturing processes envisaged, the advantages of certain locations such as at a port or in the neighbourhood of a coal mine can compensate to a certain degree, in some cases, for remoteness from areas of consumption.

Phosphate fertilizer production was introduced at Karabük D.Ç., the iron and steel plant at Karabük, in 1938. The superphosphate plant at Iskenderun started operating in 1954, and that at Yarimca in 1962.

The nitrogen fertilizer and chemical product plant at Kutahya has been operating since November 1961. It produces 119 tonnes of anhydrous ammonia, most of which is used for the production of fertilizers, e.g.:

Ammonium nitrate (limestone)	20.5% N	50.000 tonnes/year
Ammonium sulphate	21.2% N	60.000 tonnes/year
Concentrated nitric acid	98% HINO	6.000 tonnes/year
Technical ammonium nitrate	34.8% N	1.000 tonnes/year

In the course of time, improvements have made it possible to increase production by about 10 per cent. In addition, between 1965 and 1968 the plant was expanded to include production of 26% N ammonium nitrate, with a capacity of 338,500 tonnes/year. The details of chemical fertilizer production from 1963 to 1970 are given in table 2. In 1962-1970, a remarkable effort was made in production. Fertiliser production was increased by 8-10 per cent from 1962 by comparison with the previous years. None the less, the requirements for different fertilizers are far from covered by production in the country. Imports are necessary and will continue to be so for some time to come.

3. Imports

Imports of chemical fertilizers between 1963 and 1970 are shown in table 3. These amounted to 41,000 tonnes (including potassium sulphate) in 1963, and increased to 1,204,410 tonnes by the end of 1969, representing an increase of nearly 30 times in this period. The reason for the increase in imports is that production in the country is not increasing at the same rate as consumption.

4. Consumption

Consumption between 1960 and 1970 is shown in table 4. It amounted to around 100,000 tonnes/year in 1960 and reached more than 2 million tonnes/year in 1970, showing an increase of 1,964 per cent in ten years.

The distribution of consumption is determined by the agricultural characteristics of the regions. In 1963, 18.6 per cent of total chemical fertiliser consumption was accounted for by the Mediterranean region, 16.7 per cent by the western region and 15.4 per cent by the northern region. In 1970, 30.7 per cent of consumption took place in the Mediterranean region and 19.1 per cent in the western region; in other words, half the total consumption of the country was accounted for by these two regions.

The problem of the need for information has two aspects: the customer - the farmer - must be informed of what is being done and, on the other hand, information must be obtained concerning his requirements or desires.

5. Plents

The plants set up in Turkey are shown in table 1, column 2.

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In addition, studies are already being carried out concerning a nitrogen fertiliser plant at Gemlik on the coast of the Sea of Marmara; construction will begin soon. It will produce 26 per cent N ammonium nitrate.

Another fertilizer plant alongside the refinery at Ali Aga, near Ismir, is under study.

6. <u>Conclusion</u>

From this general <u>expose</u>, it can be concluded that the level of consumption of fertilizers of all types is considerably below what a normal level would be. In any event, it may be hoped that current efforts directed towards the organisation of economic production will eventually make it possible to improve this situation. PARTICIPAL PROBUCTION IN THE PARTY PARTY PARTY

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