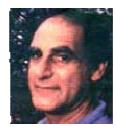
Mango / Citrus Blend

Tropifert Australia Pty Ltd and Guano Australia Pty Ltd join forces to open a new "natural fertiliser" blending facility in Humpty Doo, N.T.



John Kismet Jashar Chief Executive Officer President / Director



Chris Nathaneal Principal

Two leading Australian fertiliser Companies TROPIFERT AUSTRALIA PTY LTD (Division of Tropiculture Australia) and GUANO AUSTRALIA PTY. LTD. have teamed up to expand and increase their fertiliser production and market share. Principle of Tropifert Pty Ltd, Mr. Chris Nathanael, has announced a further expansion of the company serving Australia's top end. "Expansion is due to the tremendous response to our range of organic Fertilisers", Mr. Nathanael said.

A brand new Doyle blending plant (supplied by Farm House Rural Supplies, contact Chris Giannes - Tel 08-83881717) has just been imported, installed and commissioned. It is capable of producing up to 30,000 tonnes of blended fertiliser per year. Whilst further expansion has been planned for the year 2000 and beyond, it is also designed to cater for the ever increasing demand for organic and mineral blends. Tropifert Australia Pty Ltd produces two standard blends: Tropifert "GROWER" and Tropifert "SWEETFRUIT", both of which incorporate "MADURA GUANO GOLD - KWIK START" and Sulphur-Mg. (K-MAG), as well as Tropifert Fish Emulsion. A new service to be offerd to growers will be custom blending to suit specific property and soil type requirements.

The company is also positioning itself for exports and interstate sales. Tropifert Pty Ltd/Tropiculture Australia, established in Humpty Doo, 40kms south of Darwin, is a group heavily involved in servicing Northern Australia from the west to the east. It can assist in all aspects of the horticulture and agriculture industry including tropical and sub-tropical fruit, fruit tree nursery, marketing and agronomic services. To position the group for it's future expansion program, Miss Justine Sampson has been appointed Business Manager and Mr. Len Hunter, Farm Manager (Bees Creek). Other appointments will be announced shortly.

Commenting for Guano Australia Pty Ltd, Chairman and Managing Director, Mr. John Kismet Jashar, congratulated Mr. Nathanael and his family for taking the courage and forsight into investing for the future in this new facility, which is the only blending facility in the N.T. capable of producing a range of fertiliser products. These companies will aim to employ local people. The above arrangement has evolved to cater for, and to specifically target the expanding organic, semi-organic and sustainable business growth demand from growers and the ever increasing local and overseas markets.

Mr. Jashar went on to confirm that as part of "Guano Australia's expansion plans, a total of 20 new blending facilities would be installed and commissioned in strategic locations across Australia, in order to cope with the demand for his product and services".



New Doyle blender installed in Tropiculture - Darwin