

Indonesia's Chandra Asri shuts butadiene unit on technical issues

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Indonesia's Chandra Asri has shut its butadiene extraction unit at Cilegon, Banten province, late Sunday due to technical issues, a source close to the company said Wednesday.

The shutdown will last for at least 10-12 days, the source added.

The extraction unit can produce 100,000 mt/year of butadiene, using 315,000 mt/year of mixed C4 supplied by the company's naphtha-fed steam cracker at the same location.

As a result of the shutdown, market sources said Chandra Asri has sold its crude C4 feedstock since it cannot be processed by the extraction unit.

Petrokimia Butadiene Indonesia, a wholly owned subsidiary of Chandra Asri, operates the unit.