

Urea prices 'have found a floor' near four-year low

1st of December, 2015 - Agrimoney

Urea prices, at amongst their lowest in four years, have found a floor after reaching levels at which an unusually large number of producers are making thin, if any profits, fertilizer group Acron said, as it unveiled a %28 drop in earnings.

Read more:

<http://www.agrimoney.com/news/urea-prices-have-found-a-floor-near-four-year-low9065--.html>

Energy Saving Culture Booklet by AFA

1st of December, 2015 - Arab Fertilizer Association

AFA is pleased to issue its "Guidelines for Establishing an Energy Saving Culture booklet" to all its members to share knowledge and experience and ensure that AFA members are continually striving towards energy saving whilst producing, transporting and applying fertilizer.

This compilation highlights one of the most important and essential factors to improving fertilizer factory economies. This can be achieved through the reduction of production costs and accordingly, the product price which in turn leads to an increase in rational fertilizer usage and raising agricultural productivity.

We trust that by sharing these valuable practices and knowledge, AFA companies can attain further heights in energy saving care and productivity.

Read and Download Booklet:

http://196.219.210.66/afa_public_directory/new_uploads/publications/ENG.pdf

Saudi Arabia, Bangladesh to set up fertilizer plant in Dhaka

26th of November, 2015 - Arab News

Saudi Arabia and Bangladesh are setting up a flagship fertilizer project in Dhaka, visiting Finance Minister Abul Maal A. Muhith told Arab News.

Muhith said Saudi Finance Minister Ibrahim Al-Assaf had accepted his proposal to set up the joint fertilizer plant in Dhaka.

Read more:

<http://www.arabnews.com/news/841471>

New Rock Phosphate plant: RFQs likely to be released in March, 2016

4th of December, 2015 - Indian Fertilizer

An existing company is planning to set up a green field rock phosphate project with a capacity of 300 TPD in India.

Read more:

<http://www.indianfertilizer.com>

Zambia gets US\$45mn AfDB funding for cashew sector

10 of November, 2015 - African Farming

The African Development Bank (AfDB) has approved a US\$45mn loan to finance the Cashew Infrastructure Development Project (CIDP) in Zambia

The AfDB loan will benefit CIDP and help in the revival of the Zambia's cashew sub-sector. This will involve leveraging the cashew value chain through irrigation infrastructure for cashew nurseries and clone gardens, cashew plantation rejuvenation and establishment, and infrastructure for cashew-processing and marketing.

Read more:

<http://www.africanfarming.net/crops/horticulture/zambia-gets-us45-mn-afdb-funding-for-cashew-sector>

Demand for farm loans surges amid low crop, cattle prices

5th of December, 2015 - Journal Sentinel

The nation's net farm income is the lowest since 2002, and with another year of low commodity prices, demand for agriculture loans is surging as farmers struggle to make ends meet.

Read more:

<http://www.jsonline.com/business/demand-for-farm-loans-surges-amid-low-crop-cattle-prices-b99628583z360676741-1.html>

Ohio 4R Advocates Featured on YouTube

9th of October, 2015 - The Fertilizer Institute

In the report, the son pair describe how they apply the 4R nutrient management practices on their more than 20,000 acres of farmland. The key practices are:

- Right source: match fertilizer type to crop needs
- Right rate: match the amount of fertilizer to crop needs
- Right time: make nutrients available when crops need them
- Right place: keep nutrients where crops can use them

Read more:

<https://www.tfi.org/media-center/news-releases/ohio4-r-advocates-featured-youtu-be#.VmZn-ouNnX4.mailto>

Climate change could create 100 million poor, over half a billion homeless

10th of November, 2015 - CNN

Climate change is an acute and pressing threat to the poor and any climate stabilization policies must be integrated with efforts to eliminate poverty, according to a World Bank report released Sunday.

Read more:

<http://edition.cnn.com/09/11/2015/world/climate-change-create-poor-homeless/index.html>

OPEC decides against cutting oil output: Nigeria

4th of December, 2015 - Ahram Online

The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries has decided against cutting its oil output to lift prices, its president and Nigerian oil minister Emmanuel Ibe Kachikwu said following a meeting here Friday.

Read more:

<http://english.ahram.org.eg/NewsContent/172602/12/3/Business/Economy/OPEC-decides-against-cutting-oil-output-Nigeria.aspx>

FAO urges "hand-in-hand" approach to hunger and climate change

1st of December, 2015 - FAO

Providing support to developing countries and their agricultural sectors is essential for the global goals of eradicating hunger and tackling the challenges of climate change, FAO Director-General José Graziano da Silva said in Paris today.

Read more:

<http://www.fao.org/news/story/en/item/356707/icode/>

Soils are endangered, but the degradation can be rolled back

4th of December, 2015 - FAO

The world's soils are rapidly deteriorating due to soil erosion, nutrient depletion, loss of soil organic carbon, soil sealing and other threats, but this trend can be reversed provided countries take the lead in promoting sustainable management practices and the use of appropriate technologies, according to a new UN report released today.

Read more:

<http://www.fao.org/news/story/en/item/357059/icode/>

Climate change and your food: Ten facts

2nd of December, 2015 - FAO

What a warming world means for agriculture and feeding the planet

Here are ten facts about how a change climate affects our ability to grow food and feed ourselves.

Read more:

<http://www.fao.org/news/story/en/item/356770/icode/>

Gas buying freedom for urea units comes with caveats

4th of December, 2015 - Indian Fertilizer

Urea units will be allowed to buy incremental gas from any supplier provided a transparent process is followed, the website has learnt that the circular in fact provided only for limited flexibility.

Read more:

<http://www.indianfertilizer.com>

Oil drops after Opec sticks to current production rates

4th of December, 2015 - Gulf Times

Qatar's HE the Minister of Energy and Industry Dr Mohammed bin Saleh al-Sada talks to journalists during a meeting of Opec oil ministers in Vienna yesterday. The Opec is committed to production of about 31.5mn barrels a day, Nigeria's Minister of State for Petroleum Resources and Opec president Emmanuel Ibe Kachikwu said after the meeting.

Read more:

<http://www.gulf-times.com/eco.-bus.20%news/256/details/465342/oil-drops-after-opec-sticks-to-current-production-rates>

هبوط حاد لأسعار النفط العالمية هو الأسوأ منذ ٧ سنوات

9 ديسمبر ٢٠١٥ - BBC

شهدت الأسواق العالمية هبوطاً حاداً في أسعار النفط إذ انخفض خام برنت إلى أقل من 40 دولار امريكي للمرة الأولى منذ حوالي 7 سنوات كما انخفض سعر خام الحديد إلى أدنى مستوياته منذ 10 سنوات.

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http://www.bbc.com/arabic/business/151208/12/2015_brent_crude_iron_tumble

