



**In relation to a photo of the Ituango hydroelectric project's generator room, published by some media and shared on social media, EPM is allowed to report:**

1. The generator room photo is real. It was taken in the northern area of the cavern, on Wednesday, February 6, in the early evening, after closing the second gate of this structure on the previous day.
2. The photo is the result of a visual examination performed by a group of project professionals for the purpose of previewing the state of the generator room and determining where the cleaning and pumping work can be started to evacuate water from the cavern.
3. The group of professionals, made up of four engineers accompanied by two industrial health and safety experts, managed to enter the generator room through one of the galleries. It is important to note that after the closing of the floodgates, the flooding in the generator room was decreased by close to 18 meters and this allowed the engineers to carry out their mission.
4. The photo in question was taken by one of the engineers with their personal phone, *smartphone* type, and was done to document the status of the generator room. At the time the image was taken, another engineer illuminated the space with one of the reflectors that they carried in order to observe the condition of the structure.
5. EPM reiterates that the photo was not officially delivered to the media, nor was it published in its social media accounts. The filtered photo is a copy of the original. The company regrets that an image that gives hope for the future of power generation in Colombia and, therefore, for the development and well-being of Colombians, has unleashed a controversy over its authenticity with arguments that do not contribute to solving the current problem. EPM will make a statement on the situation of the generator room and the plans for its recovery when all the technical elements are available.

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