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EPM informs the public:

In an inspection task to know the geological conditions of the discharges of the Powerhouse of the Ituango hydroelectric project, after its water drainage, a set of dead fish was found in the discharge tunnel No. 3.

When the Ituango Power Plant enters into operation, the discharge tunnels will allow the water to return to the Cauca River, once it is used to generate power in each of the eight turbines of the powerhouse. Through these same discharge tunnels the water that was necessary to pass through the powerhouse was evacuated to protect the integrity of the communities located downstream of the dam during the contingency. As it may be remembered, the flow of water through the powerhouse was closed last February.

It is important to highlight that this area is not enabled to work, since a security procedure must be implemented that includes prior technical inspections, adaptation and installation of access and lighting systems and microbiological analysis in the area, as established by the health and safety protocol at work.



When these activities are completed, the identification of affected species, collection and final disposal of biomass will proceed. It is possible that in new explorations of the other discharges this situation is likely to be repeated.

EPM announced the finding to the National Authority of Environmental Licenses (ANLA), as is its duty.