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EPM informs to the public opinion:

Around 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 11, it was necessary to evacuate preventively 105 Ituango Hydroelectric Project workers due to the increase in some infiltrations presented in the reservoir water intake area to the pipes of Power Generation Unit No. 4.

It is important to note that this incident does not pose a risk to the communities downstream of the dam, nor to the project itself.

The increase of infiltrations was registered while a work crew, made up of 40 people, was reinforcing one of the concrete plugs located between the reservoir and the auxiliary floodgates.

Tonight, the auxiliary catchment gates of units No. 3 and No. 4 will be closed for prevention and the work that must be done to stop the infiltrations will be evaluated.

After controlling the situation and verifying that it did not pose a risk, work on the Ituango hydroelectric project resumed normally, except in the area of infiltrations for the sake of percussion. The staff is accompanied by expert occupational safety professionals.

The future power generation plant is permanently monitored in its various variables at the EPM Technical Monitoring Center. Tonight, the risk indicators lie within normal parameters.