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Vale launches cornerstone for Bayovar project in Peru

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Vale celebrates today the launch of the cornerstone of the Bayovar project in Piura, north of Peru, one of the largest phosphate projects in South America. The project, with nominal production capacity of 3.9 million tons per year, with total estimated investment of US\$ 479 million and shall start the production in 2010.

During the two years of the project implementation, it shall be created around 1,600 direct and indirect jobs, prioritizing the concentration of manpower of the direct influence zone (Rural Community San Martín de Sechura).

The first activities that will be developed after the launch of the cornerstone will be the construction work of the phosphate concentration plant. Moreover, it will be started the construction of a 40 km road, a transport strap and a silo for the storage of phosphate stone. At the same time, activities for the contract of the construction of the harbor with loading capacity of 7.9 million tons of phosphoric stone had been started.

Transparent dialogue

Vale maintains a permanent dialog with the communities since the beginning of the exploitation works, with the divulgation of information on the development of the project. Moreover, the company launched two capacity programs for the population of Sechura. The first enabled the capacity of 360 citizens of the province on safety and sanitation, environment and mining sector introduction. 180 of this group were also capacitated to act as assistant in the construction sector, mechanics and electricity. The local suppliers capacity program aims to contribute for the improvement of the offered services by the local businessmen.

Vale is also proposing the construction of a water desalinization plant to process the phosphate, aiming the non-interference in the hydrous resources of the region. The desalinization plant will enable the preservation of the use of underground waters for the citizens of Sechura.

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