

Malanje: Biocom expects to produce 73,000 tons of sugar this year

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Angola's bioenergy company Biocom plans to produce 73 thousand tons of sugar, 17 thousand cubic meters of ethanol and 200 *gigawatts* of energy in the current agricultural year.

The information was released to ANGOP by the company's production manager, Marcos Brandão, noting that to reach those numbers, 18 thousand hectares of sugar cane were prepared, but it is expected that by the end of the year, an area of about of 25 thousand hectares will be planted.

He made it known that at this time the maintenance of the machines is being carried out, so that in the coming days the production of the above mentioned 73 thousand tons of sugar will begin.

According to the official, Biocom, intends to send sugar to all regions of the country and to develop an export plan for the foreign market.

Compared to the previous year, the official said that there will be an increase in production, as 52 thousand tons of sugar were produced, 14 thousand cubic meters of ethanol and 100 thousand *gigawatts* of energy.

Biocom has an installed capacity to produce 256 thousand tons of sugar, 234 gigawatts of energy and 30 thousand cubic meters of ethanol, which is expected to be reached by 2020.

The project currently has more than 2,000 workers, including nationals and expatriates.

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