



Deforestation works begin on the sites of the Dam and the Owner's Housing Estate

Civil engineering companies enter the scene.

This is a new important step that has been taken with the start of deforestation works at the beginning of March on the Dam and the Owner's Housing Estate sites.

After the beginning of preliminary works in December 2018 by NHPC on the dam site (marking and sealing of the land-markers delimiting the perimeter of the facility and cutting and swathing of noble woods), it is now time for the first Contractors to get on board and start works on the sites.

Deforestation limited to the strictest minimum.

The area to be cleared has been studied thoroughly in order to cover only what is strictly necessary for the construction, namely:

- rights-of-way of future permanent structures: roads, dams, canals, hydroelectric plant, energy evacuation station, buildings of the Owner's Housing Estate.
- and temporary work areas: workshops, crushing areas, equipment and material storage areas, concrete mixing plants.

All temporary areas will be rehabilitated and revegetated at the end of works.



NHPC and Société Générale de Construction (SGC) teams during a safety visit to the site of the Project Owner's Estate

The total deforestation area is 310 ha, which is approximately 17% of the total area of the hydroelectric facility (1792 ha) and the Owner's Housing Estate (19 ha).

Noble woods made available to MINFOF

Under a partnership signed with the Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife, the noble woods present in the perimeter of the areas to be cleared have been identified, cut down and transferred. This operation involved 178 logs (685m3)

Provision of cut wood to the populations

It is planned that in each village concerned, the residues of noble woods cuts as well as the cut timber

from the deforestation be made available to the population in removal areas determined with the local authorities.

The company in charge of the construction of the Project Owner's Estate is

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and the companies in charge of Civil Engineering for the Hydroelectric Development



accompanied by their subcontractors