UCAYALI HAS ONE OF THE BEST PALM OIL EXTRACTION PLANTS IN SOUTH AMERICA

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Ucayali currently has one of the best Palm Oil Extraction Plants in South America and is located in the district of Nueva Requena, whose property belongs to the Ocho Sur Business Group, dedicated since 2016 to the sustainable production of oil. Palm.

This was announced by its general manager Michael Spoor, who pointed out that the extraction plant is equipped with state-of-the-art technology that manages to process the fruit of the oil palm with an average of 55 tons per hour and has an Environmental Impact Study (EIA) and all its approved legal permits.

“The plant currently develops its process almost completely automated, and was put into operation a year ago with a contribution of 20 million dollars,” said the Ocho Sur authority in a teleconference from the United States.

Likewise, he highlighted that the business group has the contribution of North American investors and aims to soon become a leader in terms of productivity, social responsibility, environmental sustainability and profitability, in order to provide important long-term benefits for the Ucayali region and its communities.

The information was detailed during the internship aimed at journalists from Pucallpa, “Transforming the local economy with sustainable practices”, organized by this agro-industrial

group, where oil palm specialists spoke about the benefits of the fruits of this tree in the food industry. pharmaceutical, cosmetics, biodiesel, etc.

In this way, Ocho Sur opened the doors of its facilities and the men and women of the press were able to tour part of the Tibecocha and Zanja Seca farms, where nine camps operate with the highest level of agricultural technologies and the use of energy. renewable, taking care of the environment.

“Ocho Sur has come to join this beautiful region, which offers so many opportunities. We have come to work long-term and sustainably in the oil palm industry, with transparency, strict respect for Peruvian laws, for nature, for the communities, with the commitment not to affect the Amazon forests,” said Michael. Spoor to journalists.

At another time, the general manager made it clear that the properties currently occupied by Ocho Sur were acquired at a public auction in 2016 from a trust banking entity, which took control of its shares and assets after having been declared bankrupt. by its previous owners.

On the other hand, Serge Verhaert, Operations Manager of the business group, indicated that his representative has made very important investments in these four years in the Tibecocha and Zanja Seca farms, which exceed 140 million dollars.

He added that his plantations produce more than twice as much fruit per hectare than other regional farmers and that his Extractor Plant manages to obtain 15% more palm oil than other similar ones in the country.

He also mentioned that Ocho Sur has become the largest employer in Ucayali, offering formal and quality work to more than 1,700 people; and it is also one of the main buyers in the region, prioritizing local suppliers with more than 10 million dollars a year, favoring more than 650 merchants and benefiting more than 2,700 people indirectly.

Finally, he revealed the company's initiative to expand its Strategic Alliance and Production Program (PAPE), to support the planting, maintenance and marketing of oil palm in more than 170 small farmers in the Kokama Native Community and the Shipibos of the Valley. of the Aguaytía River.