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Successful maintenance of Nachtigal Unit No. 1

All reservations regarding Unit No. 1 lifted

From the 12th to the 15th of January 2026, NHPC carried out the annual maintenance of the Nachtigal hydroelectric power station's Unit No.

Led by NHPC's Operations Direction teams working two maintenance shifts (6 a.m.–2 p.m. and 2 p.m.–10 p.m.), this operation is part of the power station's annual maintenance program. Once the work was completed, the Unit was requalified and returned into operation on the 16th of January 2026.

This operation, which enabled the lifting of reservations related to the Unit's non-compliance issues, aims to preserve the reliability of the structures, limit the risk of hydraulic safety incidents and ensure the sustainable performance of the power station.

In what does the maintenance of a unit consist?

The maintenance of a unit follows a specific process :

- Consignment: securing the structure before any work is carried out,
- Issuing authorizations: the consignment officer provides the works manager with the necessary documents, in particular the DAOH (document for access to hydraulic structures) and documents for access to structures,
- Maintenance work: interventions by the teams concerned,
- Decommissioning: returning to normal configuration after work,
- Requalification: final checks confirming that the unit can be safely returned into operation.



View of the Nachtigal power station's Unit 1



Outdoor view of the Nachtigal power station