

Chinese-managed gold mine in Guyana gets back to work

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The Guyana Aurora Gold Mining project -- located in the Republic of Guyana in South America -- recently held a ceremony to celebrate the full resumption of work and production.

In September, Sinohydro Bureau 10 Co -- a subsidiary of POWERCHINA -- and Zijin Mining, one of China's biggest State-owned gold producers, signed a framework agreement on the mine work.



The ceremony takes place, celebrating the full resumption of work and production at the Guyana Aurora Gold Mining project. [Photo/POWERCHINA]

It is the first mining project being undertaken by Sinohydro Bureau 10 Co in South America. The mine is located in the Amazon rainforest in South America, about 170 kilometers west of Guyana's capital of Georgetown.

POWERCHINA said the mine is expected to process 26 million metric tons of ore a year and the contract period is five years.

The engineering content includes perforation and drilling, blasting, shovel loading, transportation, road maintenance and civil construction. In order to meet the urgent needs of the project owners for the resumption of work and production, Sinohydro Bureau 10 Co arranged for the first batch of workers to return to Guyana on Sept 30.

On arrival, the staff members were able to resolve a series of difficulties such as the novel coronavirus epidemic, time differences, climate and language barriers and they formally took over all the mining work on Nov 1.

The POWERCHINA project department stated that it will further optimize management and improve Aurora's mining capabilities, to maintain production while strictly observing safety protocols.