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Malanje – At least Twenty million US dollars is the amount invested this year by Fazenda Socamia, in the acquisition of agricultural equipment, with a view to increasing corn production, Angop learn Tuesday from the delegate of the Castel group in Angola, Philippe Frederic.

Located in the municipality of Cangandala, the Socamia farm is located at the Capanda Agro-Industrial Pole (PAC), with a gross area of 5,000 hectares, but only 800 hectares are being explored with rainfed corn production, in which 2 500 tons of maize are harvested per season.


According to the Castel group delegate, the US \$ 20 million was essentially used to purchase 25 irrigation pivots, each capable of irrigating 50 hectares, eight silos with a capacity to store 2,500 tons each, and irrigation systems, pumping water, which will increase from 800 hectares to 1,335 hectares.

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Therefore, he said, it is expected that within two years, a harvest per season of 20,000 tons of corn, thus promoting the production of grits (raw material for beer production) in the country and consequent reduction in import costs.

The Castel group spends US \$ 25 million annually on imports of 60,000 tons of grits, a reality that is intended to change, with a focus on corn production.

Source: Angola Press News Agency



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