

North Macedonia: HPPs Spilje and Globocica produced 211 million kWh in the first nine months of 2019

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According to North Macedonian power utility ESM, hydropower plant Spilje near Debar and hydropower plant Globocica near Struga, both situated in the Crni Drim catchment area, produced a total of 211 million kWh of electricity in the first nine months of 2019.

The statement from ESM said that the production is lower than planned for the part of the year, especially compared to the same period in 2018, when production reached 544 million kWh, primarily due to poor hydrological conditions in 2019.

HPP Spilje produced 126 million kWh in the first nine months of the year, which 58.2 % of the planned amount for this period and 37.5 % of the last year's production in the first nine months. At the same time HPP Globocica produced 85 million kWh, 61.1 % of the planned amount for January-September period and 40 % of the last year's amount.

ESM noted that there are enough water reserves in the two accumulations to produce additional 40 million kWh of electricity. The timely planned overhauls of both HPPs guarantee that they are ready to receive and process larger amounts of water expected with the improvement of hydrological conditions by the end of the year.