



MINISTRY OF MINES & ENERGY

Nuclear Energy Projects and Plans in Brazil

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ENERGY PLANNING

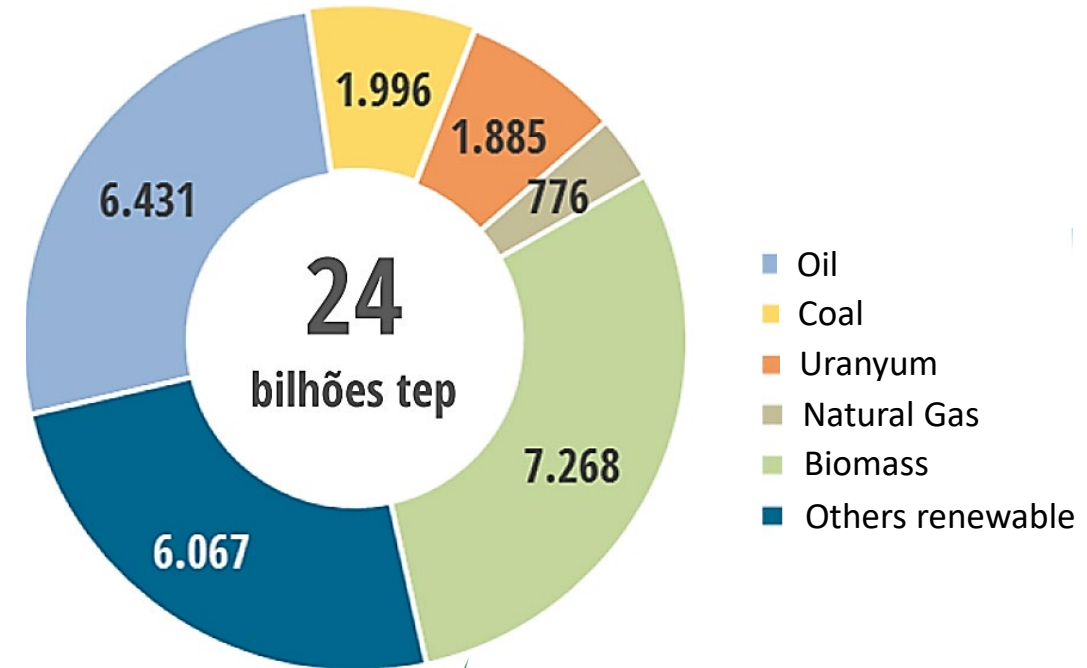
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LONG-TERM PLANNING STRATEGIES - PNE 2050



Nuclear energy in Brazil will involve investments of **US \$ 27 billion**

The government plans to reach an installed nuclear power capacity of **10 Gigawatts** in the next **30 years**



Renewable resources represent more than 50% of energy resources !!!

(Source: MME, 2020; EPE, 2020)



NUCLEAR GENERATION

- Nuclear Authority
- ANGRA 3 – Resume of Angra 3
- ANGRA 1 - Long Term Operation
- UAS - Dry Cask Storage

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Legal Framework (Split-up of CNEN)

- Separation of R&D activities from Regulation and Inspection activities;
- Creation of the Brazilian Nuclear Regulatory Authority;
 - ✓ AUTHORITY
 - Standards;
 - Oversight;
 - Licensing.
 - ✓ CNEN
 - Promotion;
 - Research .



ANGRA 3 – NUCLEAR POWER PLANT



(Source: Eletronuclear)

- **Installed capacity: 1,405 MW**
- **Basic Project: Siemens / KWU, current Areva**
- **PWR Reactor (Pressurized Water Reactor)**
- **Area: about 82,000 m²**
- **Concrete: 200,000 m³**
- **Steel: 30,800 t**
- **Equipment: 17 thousand t**
- **Painting: 370 thousand m²**
- **Degree of nationalization: 54% (in value)**

ANGRA 3 - CRITICAL PATH ACCELERATION PLAN



Motivation

An alternative solution to maintain C.O.D in nov/26.

Scope

Advance civil construction and erection works, as well as maintaining critical supplies.

Start May 2020

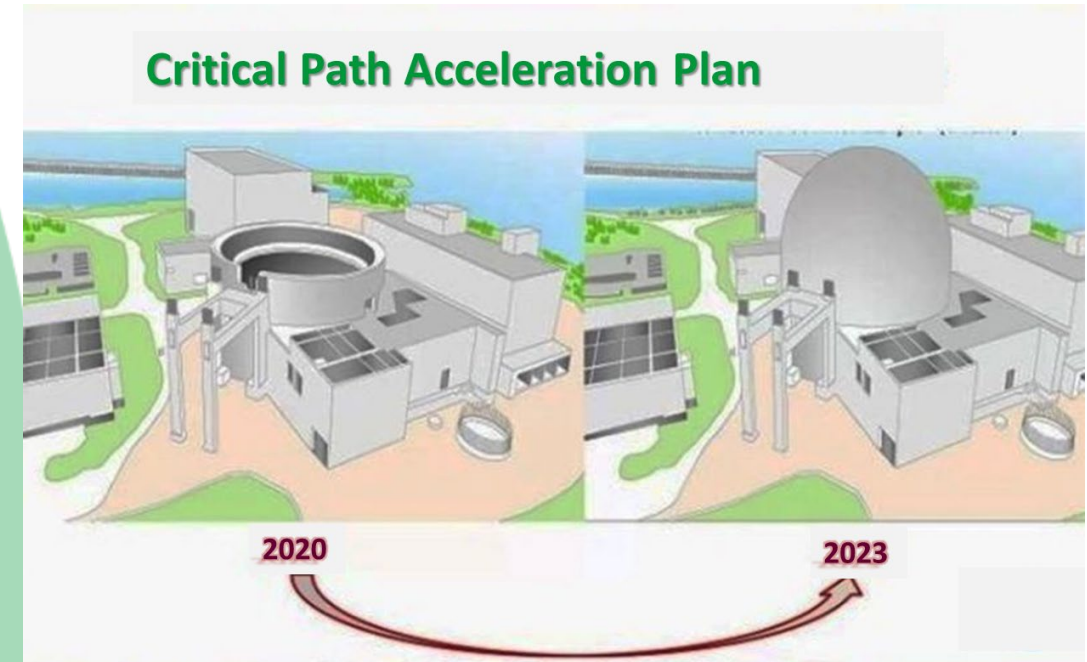
- Contracting Owners Engineering and conclusion of engineering design
- National Supplies contract renegotiations
- Debt and new supplies negotiations

July 2021

→ Sign civil works contracts.

December 2021

→ Start of works on site (first concrete)



(Source: Eletronuclear)

ANGRA 1 - LONG TERM OPERATION



Beginning of commercial operation (1985,
design for 40 years)

Expiration of current license (2024) and
beginning of the anticipated extended life -
20 years

Anticipated expiration of renewed license
(2044)



(Source: Eletronuclear)

SPENT FUEL DRY STORAGE FACILITY - UAS

UAS will initially have 15 modules

TRANSFER CAPACITY	
Angra 1	Angra 2
222 fuel elements	288 fuel elements

The repository can hold up to 72 modules, to store used fuel until 2045



(Source: Eletronuclear)

FORESEEN EXPANSION



AP1000 Project
(Source: Westinghouse)



EPR Project
(Source: Framatom)

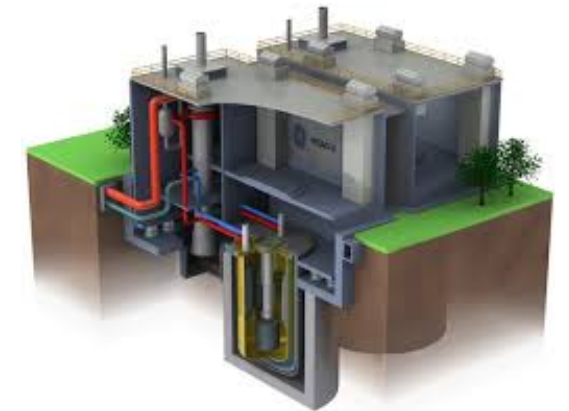


Location of New Sites - Candidate Areas
(Source: Eletronuclear)

- The government plans to reach an installed nuclear power capacity of 8 to 10 Gigawatts in the next 30 years;
- Implementation of Small Modular Reactors - **SMR**;
- Locational study of New Nuclear Sites.



A Cutaway of the Reactor Building SMR design
(Source: NuScale)



A cutaway of the PRISM design
(Source: GE Hitachi)



URANIUM MINING

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BRAZILIAN PROJECTS FOR URANIUM PRODUCTION



(Source: INB, 2020)

Brazilian mineral resources have evolved from **9,400 tonnes**, known in 1975, to the current amount of **244,788 t of U₃O₈**, which can be expanded with new prospecting and mineral research work since only 33% of the national territory was surveyed.

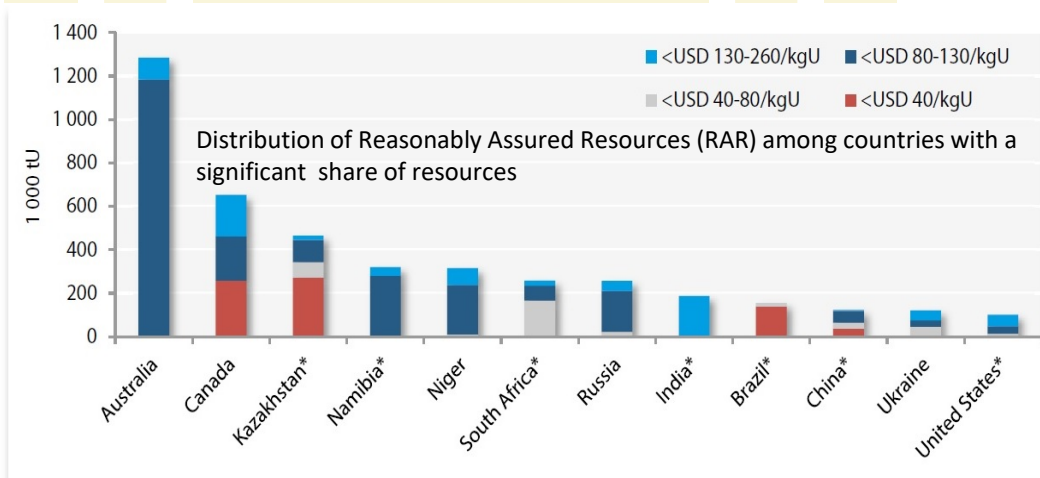
The northern region of the country has the potential to house more than **300,000 tons of Uranium**.

BRAZIL'S POSITION IN THE WORLD RANKING

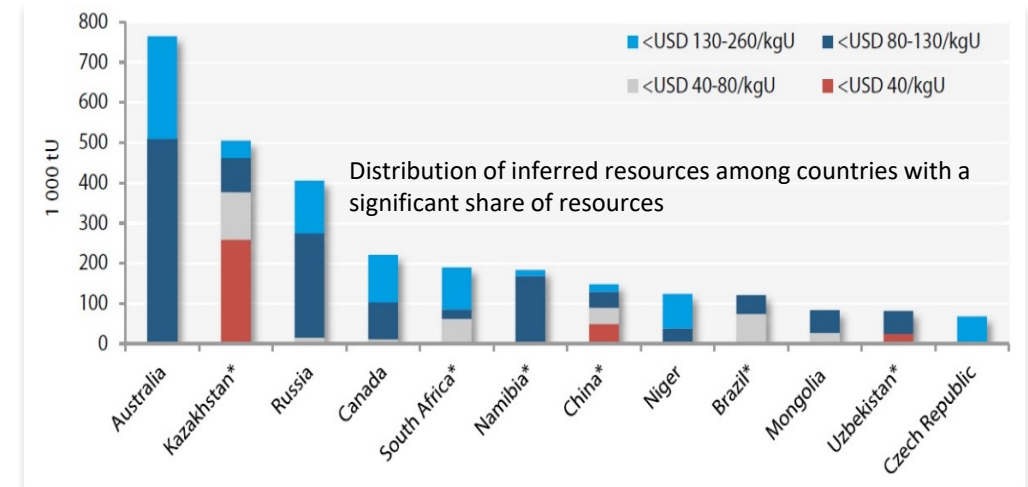


- Brazil has significant uranium resources.
- The resources are in the order of **244,788t of U3O8** in Brazil and are distributed among the states of Bahia, Ceará, Paraná and Minas Gerais, among others.
- According to NEA and IAEA, the countries with the greatest potential for uranium resources are: Australia, Kazakhstan, Russia, Canada, South Africa, Namibia, China, Niger, **Brazil**, Mongolia, Uzbekistan, Czech Republic.

Fonte: NEA and IAEA



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Resumption of Uranium Production in Brazil - Caetité

- On January 1, 2021, Brazil resumed uranium production at a new mine in the municipality of Caetité in the state of Bahia, at the Uranium Concentration Unit of Indústrias Nucleares do Brasil (INB).
- The Caetité unit will have two initial activities in the nuclear fuel cycle: **Mining** and **Uranium Processing**, resulting in the Uranium Concentrate, also known as Yellowcake (U₃O₈).
- The expectation is that **260 tons/2022 to 800 tons/2027** of uranium concentrate will be produced per year, when the Engenho Mine reaches its full capacity.

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SANTA QUITÉRIA MINE



The **Santa Quitéria Consortium** is a **partnership between INB and Galvani Fertilizantes** (a company that produces phosphate fertilizers) for the implementation of a joint mining project. The purpose of the partnership is to explore **Uranium and Phosphate**, found in an associated way in the Itataia deposit, located in the municipality of Santa Quitéria (Ceará).

Phosphate is predominant, with **Resources of 111 million tons** and **Uranium** reserves are **80,000 tons**.

The investment forecast is approximately **US\$ 165 million**, with an expectation of production in **2025** by the Consórcio Santa Quitéria of **240,000 tons of phosphate** and **2,264 tons of uranium concentrate per year**.





RESUME OF PROSPECTING IN BRAZIL



- Brazil plans to resume mineral prospecting to **determine and evaluate new uranium deposits**.
- INB researches in several states, such as Pará, Roraima, Ceará, Bahia and Minas Gerais.
- The expectation is that in **ten years**, Brazil will have increased its reserves to **1 million tons**, equivalent to Australia's current reserves.

CLOSING REMARKS

THANK YOU

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