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## PROVINCES

# Dismantled poaching net and gun snipers

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**In all, 11 nationals, including firearm suppliers, poachers and game vendors, were arrested last week in Luengue-Luiana National Park, Cuando Cubango province.**



Approximately 300 young people were recruited in various locations to reinforce inspection in the two national parks

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According to the director of the Provincial Environment Office, Júlio Bravo, among the detainees, seven were dedicated to the slaughter of animals of various species, two supplied firearms and ammunition and two ladies were in charge of the sale of meat.

The alleged criminals, detained during a joint operation between National Police officers and environmental inspectors deployed in Luengue-Luiana Park, had two mauser weapons in their possession, a PKM machine gun, a shotgun, 91 ammunition and 200 kilograms of animal meat slaughtered.

Júlio Bravo, who headed a multisectoral commission, which worked for two weeks in the municipalities of Mavinga, Rivungo, Dirico and Cuangar, announced that during the tour in these regions 300 young people were selected who live near the national parks of Mavinga and Luengue-Luiana to strengthen the brigades of environmental inspectors.

The official informed that the selected young people will be trained at the Environmental Inspector Training Institute "31 de Janeiro", based in the city of Menongue, after the constraints caused by the pandemic ended.

The director of the Provincial Office of the Environment said that the visit of the multisectoral commission to the referred localities essentially aimed at "the identification of the problems of fauna and flora" and the awareness of the population about the consequences of anarchic burning, poaching and the killing of trees for the manufacture of coal and wood.

The multisectoral delegation, made up of entities from the defense and security bodies, discussed with the administrative and traditional authorities of the municipalities the measures that are being implemented for the protection of fauna and flora, basic sanitation and the reinforcement of prevention measures for the fight against Covid-19. The delegation also visited units of the defense and security forces as part of the support that these bodies provide to environmental inspectors in the region.