

It is estimated that the demand for lithium will increase eightfold in the next 11 years, primarily due to the growing prevalence of electric cars that use lithium batteries. In the middle of last year, the Minister of Energy and Mining in the RS Government, Petar Đokić, announced that lithium research would start in Lopare, and that one company had received a concession for that research, the text reminds.

Five companies, backed by Slovenian businessman Andrej Rautner, have invested millions of convertible marks in founding the Lithium Mine company in Laktasi. The company will be engaged in research and exploitation of lithium ore in the east of the Republic of Srpska, writes the portal Kapital (Capital.ba).

The founders are the companies "AR plane", "R mercuri" and "The H" from Slovenia, and "AR plane" and "Yolle top invest" from Laktasi, and the seriousness of their plans is best illustrated by the fact that they paid 11.8 million marks (6.0 million euros), according to the portal.

Rautner confirmed for Kapital that through this company he will seek concessions for the exploration of this highly sought-after metal in the world, which is used in the production of batteries.

"We will try to deal with mining if we get concessions. Everything is still in its infancy, the company has only existed for a month. The research would be in the border area between Republika Srpska and Serbia," Rautner said.

He did not specify the exact locations for the research, but it is known that in the area of Jadra, near the border between Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina, lithium reserves were discovered in the world. Apart from Podrinje, deposits of this, the lightest of all known metals, also exist in the territory of Ugljevik, Domaljevac, Šamac, and in the region of central Bosnia.

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