Bratislava starts-up reconstruction of the Ondrej Nepela Winter Stadium

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The Bratislava city started-up reconstruction of the Ondrej Nepela Winter Stadium by almost 63 mills Euro, whereas more than 40.56 mills Euro will pay the state. Just at this stadium the Ice Hockey World Championship ought to take place in year 2011. Building works should start on May 01 originally, however the New City building office issued the building permission this week and so the reconstruction can start-up earlier. "For me it is something like symbolism, because tomorrow the championship in Switzerland is going to launch," told the major Andrej Ďurkovský, who at the same time confirmed that the reconstruction would not touch the Tehelné pole swimming pool under no circumstances.

It will be necessary to demolish 80% of the building according to A. Bezák, the director of the supplier company Ingsteel. The new stadium will be the entirely new hall involving the capacity of 10 000 places, by the major. Finalization of reconstruction works is estimated at the end of November 2010, training halls, underground parking ought to be finished on February 28, 2011. Last biggest reconstruction was carried out in years 1989-1992 in connection with the Ice Hockey World Championship.

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