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The intervention originates from the release of 175 Orinoco caimans that were bred in captivity in the state of Apure, specifically in the wildlife refuge "Caño Guaritico", as part of the Orinoco Caiman Conservation Program which, together with the Arrau Turtle Conservation Program, is in charge of preserving endangered species in Venezuela.

In this regard, biologist Ricardo Babarro, explained during the section "Con Maduro + Vida", that the basic strategy of this initiative is to breed in captivity the Orinoco Caiman, whose species is in danger of

extinction and release them in the rivers they originally inhabit in order to reinforce the populations that are threatened. He also pointed out that captive breeding is done because the caimans are vulnerable when they are newborns in the rivers, since all the bird species feed on them.

Therefore, he indicated that in order to prevent the caimans from being ingested by birds, the eggs are taken from the rivers and brought to the hatcheries until they reach a size at which they can defend themselves from predators once they are released. He also pointed out that the breeding of these animals involves feeding and veterinary care because of the risk they run of acquiring diseases when they are grouped together in large numbers.

In this respect, he emphasized that they have incubators, whose high technology makes it possible to determine the sex of these reptiles before 21 days, while at the same time he said that when they are released they are fitted with 16-

code microchips that facilitate population counts in wild environments, which translates into real numbers and figures of the specimens that manage to reach sexual maturity and increase their populations. Babarro emphasized that currently, they have a birth rate of 77 percent and explained that for this reason, the release of 175 caimans born in 2022 has been set.

On his part, Minister Lorca emphasized that "Chavez's Patrullero de Chavez Zoo is one of the most important in the country and the one that releases the largest number of specimens annually".

Since 1990, the Venezuelan State and private entities have taken actions for the conservation of this species, thus initiating the current conservation program. Since then, the Ministry of Popular Power for Ecosocialism (MINEC) has counted on the contribution of rural producers, universities and Non-Governmental Organizations for the captive breeding of the Orinoco Caiman.

In Quito, Ecuador

Venezuela present at 5th Regional Meeting of OTCA Forestry Authorities

Venezuela participated in the 5th Regional Meeting of Forestry Authorities of the Member Countries of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (OTCA).

The Venezuelan delegation in this event held in Quito, Ecuador, was represented by the General Director of Forest Heritage, Dr. Zoraima Echenique, from the Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism, in which a firm position on the sustainable management of forests was established.

More than 50 delegations participated in this regional

meeting to hold a productive dialogue and exchange experiences in order to continue advancing together in the preservation of the planet.

It is important to remember that the Amazon Cooperation Treaty (ACT), signed on July 3, 1978 and ratified by the eight countries that share the Amazon: Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Suriname and Venezuela, is the legal instrument that recognizes the transboundary nature of the Amazon.

One of the central objectives of the treaty is to "facilitate

exchange and cooperation among member countries, promoting sustainable development and sustainable livelihoods.

The treaty seeks to "promote the harmonious development of the Amazon territories, so that the joint actions of the Amazon countries produce equitable and mutually beneficial results in achieving sustainable development of the Amazon Region," according to OTCA's website.



Member countries assume common commitment for the rational use of the Amazon's natural resources

Minec also delivered metallic containers and bags

New solid waste collection units join Supra Caracas

The Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism delivered to the Mayor's Office of Caracas a batch of vehicles, containers and supplies to be used by the company Supra Caracas in the collection of waste in the capital city.

The delivery was made by Minister Josué Lorca at the Hugo Chávez Park, located in the Coche parish, at the entrance of La Rinconada, where five MiniMatic trucks, two trimotorcycles, so-called satellite units, 12 metallic containers, 50 plastic garbage cans made with recycled materials, 15 sweeping carts, 10 truck tires, oil pails for engines, and 10,000 black bags, among others, were shown.

In this regard, Mayor Carmen Meléndez also detailed that another ten units of this type will be added in the coming days, thanks to the coordinated work with the Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism. "Progressively, we will incorporate new vehicles

of different types, as well as others recovered by the Caracas Maintenance Service (Semaca)". For his part, the head of Ecosocialism, Josué Lorca, emphasized that "Supra Caracas at this moment we can say that it is a company that is standing, strengthened and that it is going to be the reference in solid waste collection in Caracas and in all of Venezuela".

He said that "this humble endowment is an endowment that comes to support the selective routes in which there have been problems of complaints of the 1 x 10 of the Good Government", he said.

"The solid waste collection system in Caracas has been increasing, as Venezuela has been reborn. We have numbers that indicate that from 1,200 to 1,300 tons per day of collection we have gone to peaks of 1,800 to 1,900 tons per day, in the Las Mayas transfer plant and in the La Bonanza unloading area. This speaks of an economic recovery, but also of a strengthening of the entire collection system of

the capital city", he assured.

He explained that the trimotos have been reinforced, redesigned "practically rebuilt".

"The trimotos serve as satellite units and unload directly into the compactor vehicles. Also, we are delivering recycling garbage cans that do not need plastic bags to be placed in the main avenues of the city. They are beautiful, eye-catching and that the citizen can get anywhere and deposit their waste or garbage so that they do not throw them into the street", he said.

He emphasized that the Metras are in Caracas and at a national level, with more than 1,800 constituted together with the Communal Councils, which "forms a perfect gear with the community, which allows us from the origin to reduce, reuse what can be reusable, and we are already installing new machines in different parts of the country, with which the community is empowered and recycles".



They will be used for waste collection in the capital city

More than 67 books published

Fundambiente reaches its 46th anniversary



Promotes respect, appreciation and defense of Natural Heritage

The National Foundation for Environmental Education (Fundambiente), an entity attached to the Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism (Minec), celebrated its 46th anniversary on June 23 at the forefront of ecosocialist education in Venezuela.

The institution has been in charge of forming wills, carrying out workshops, meetings and accompanying the Minec, in the policy for the formation of respect, valuation and defense of the Natural Heritage.

Fundambiente was created in 1977 and since then it is an organization recognized for being in charge of promoting Ecosocialist action and thought, using the strategy of editing and publishing books in the areas of ecology, environment, children, didactics and education, among others, for the creation of environmental awareness.

The foundation has participated twice in the International

Book Fair of Venezuela (Filven) in its 2021 and 2022 editions. Two years ago 21 books were presented and in 2022 46 works were presented, for a total of 67 published texts, including children's stories, poems, photographic albums, guides and manuals.

The work methodology is based on a campaign to receive documents during the first half of the year, to work on them, study them and decide which ones will be published.

Many of the published works are written by park rangers and workers of the entities attached to the Minec, who demonstrate their talent in literature and their great knowledge in diverse areas.

After receiving these works, the Foundation is in charge of all the layout and shaping them for their presentation as books.

By Fundambiente

Ecological Brigade of the "Luis Enrique Mármol" school in 23 de Enero receives recognition

As part of the commemorative activities for the anniversary of the National Foundation for Environmental Education (Fundambiente), the institution presented awards to the members of the Ecological Brigade of the National Bolivarian Primary School "Luis Enrique Mármol", located in the parish of 23 de Enero in Caracas.

The award ceremony was attended by the president of Fundambiente and General Director of Training of the Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism, Jesús Méndez, who appreciated the works with environmentalist motifs made by the students.

Among the samples were initiatives made with reusable materials, in a demonstration of the genesis of the ecosocialist conscience, necessary to arise in every corner of the country, for the protection of Mother Earth.



President of Fundambiente positively valued the works with environmentalist motifs carried out by school children



New conservation indicators

Strategic relationships strengthen Biological Diversity System

The Minister for Ecosocialism, Josue Lorca, held a meeting with Jon Paul Rodríguez, President of the Non-Profit Civil Association, Provita, and the Executive Director, Bibiana Sucre, to fine-tune actions to help preserve the environment.

The meeting was also attended by José Manuel Briceño Linares, designated as "Explorer" by National Geographic and decorated as a leader in Conservation 2023 by this renowned institution.

Through his account on the social network Instagram, Minister Lorca said that they have been working together

in recent years with different programs promoted in the country.

Among them, the programs for the conservation of the Frontino Bear, Margarita Parakeet and the Cardenalito stand out.

In these programs, "Provita has advanced fundamental scientific technical programs that have provided the necessary inputs to generate new conservation indicators in the country", explained the minister.

He also said that with their help, "new protected areas have been decreed, such as the Ramal de Caldera National Park, Dr. José Gregorio Hernández National

Park and the Macanao Peninsula Fauna Refuge Monument.

It is expected that in the coming weeks, actions will be taken to continue strengthening the National System of Biological Diversity.

This will allow "Venezuela to comply with the objectives set forth in the Plan for the Homeland and remain at the forefront in the fulfillment of these environmental commitments at the international level", concluded the Minister.

Jointly with CICPC

More than 38 species of wild fauna released in Waraira Repano

More than 38 species of wildlife, including birds and sloths, were released in the Waraira Repano National Park, in an event attended by the Minister of People's Power for Ecosocialism, Josué Lorca.

The activity took place at the Waraira Repano's Mirador Anauco, where the head of the Ministry of Ecosocialism (Minec) was accompanied by the Vice-Minister of Environmental Management Services, Hernán Toro, the coordinator of Waraira Repano, Ramón Campos, members of the Territorial Ecosocialism Unit of the Waraira Repano National Park, and members of the Waraira Repano Territorial Unit of the Ministry of Environment, members of the Territorial Ecosocialist Unit (UTEC) of the Capital District, the Sloth Rescue and Rehabilitation Center of the Chuwie Foundation, the Scientific, Criminal and Criminalistic Investigations Corps (Cicpc) and the National Reforestation Company (Conare).

The birds, which exceed 35 specimens, are of the Curuñata, Chirulí, Frailecillo, Canairo Tejano, Corbatita Galileo, Tangara, and Paraulata Llanera types, which were rescued by the Cicpc through an investigation that resulted in the location of the specimens, with which they intended to make an illegal sale.

Meanwhile, the five sloths (*Bradypus variegatus*) were rescued from different places where they were in danger. Two of the animals were picked up from areas with high traffic and at risk of being run over.

For his part, the head of the Minec, Josué Lorca, highlighted the work of the Cicpc "we are carrying out an important activity together with the entire Ecosocialist Management Team and with the auxiliary forces of nature, specifically in this case the Cicpc in its Environmental Crimes Division, which carried out a procedure in Petare, where more than 35 birds were seized as a result of the illegal trafficking of species".

Lorca made a call for awareness and alert to the population, so that when they see this type of acts they report them, because these illegal actions are shown a lot through social networks, a method widely used by animal traffickers.

"We have the support of the Public Prosecutor's Office, the whole team of President Nicolás Maduro, united against these illegal acts that we have been seizing in flagrancy," he added.

Likewise, together with the Chuwie Foundation, sloths that have been rescued from different spaces where they were in danger have been released. Subsequently, they are released in safe places. The foundation is in charge of protecting this type of species that are at risk.

Minister Lorca urged people to "make complaints through the regular means, our VenApp, the 1 x 10 of the Good Government and through the 0800Ambient (0800-2624368) of the Minec".



Minister Lorca urges the public to file complaints to protect animal species

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