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"The construction of Ecosocialism is a collective and daily fact", stated the Minister of People's Power for Ecosocialism, Josué Lorca, while highlighting the achievements obtained by this ministerial portfolio during his participation in the program "A Pulso", broadcasted by Venezolana de Televisión (VTV). (More information on pages 2-3)..

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Minister Lorca detailed achievements at the Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism

The Minister of People's Power for Ecosocialism, Josué Lorca, assured that the Presidential Commission for the Rescue, Conservation and Sustainable Development of Maracaibo Lake carries out, through Iclam, a daily follow-up at the national and regional levels, as well as the articulation of several instances to review, establish and execute bioremediation protocols in this important body of fresh water, unique in the world, which has a direct and natural connection with the sea.

During his participation in the program "A Pulso", broadcasted by Venezolana de Televisión (VTV), the head of the Ministry of Economy said that together with the University of Zulia (LUZ), the Venezuelan Institute of Scientific Research (IVIC) and the Scientific Institute of the Andes (ICLAN), meetings are being held with international companies to establish and review bioremediation protocols applied in other lakes of the world; In addition to studying the excess of nutrients produced by the rains, the tributaries and the environmental parameters of the industries that are around the lake.

He pointed out that the governors of the other states that are part of the Maracaibo Lake basin "have shown their willingness because

they have joined (...) every Thursday the ministers and Vice-President Reverol come to Zulia, and from Friday to Sunday the sanitation days are carried out", he explained.

He added that another factor is climate change, which has generated three years of heavy rains, causing the 135 rivers that flow into Lake Maracaibo to discharge more water and create excess nutrients, such as phosphorus and nitrogen.

He explained that there is also the problem of historical contamination due to excess of nutrients and other abiotic factors, such as, for example, the sewage plants, "there are more than 27 sewage plants that the Ministry of Water is recovering, with special interest in the South plant, which is one of those that sanitizes and prevents the sewage of the inhabitants of the city from entering the lake".

He emphasized that "the issue of 'verdigris' or cyanobacteria has been present in the lake and has been reiterated by Iclam's records of more than 40 years ago.

Likewise, he indicated that there are more than 25 thousand fishermen in the lake, who make of this water area a fundamental zone for the production and economy of the country.

He also informed that the mayors of the state of Zulia have been provided with sanitation equipment and tools through the Presidential Commission for the Recovery and Conservation of Lake Maracaibo.

Regarding the inspections carried out in the lake, he indicated that all the companies have been regularized. "Two days have been carried out and we are concentrated in the Metropolitan area of Maracaibo, with a goal of auditing 150 companies, of which 75 have been visited", he said.

He referred that a projection was made for the sanitation of the lake for 83 weeks within the Master and Strategic Plan for the Rescue, Conservation and Sustainable Development of Maracaibo Lake.

Recycling is a solution to waste reduction

Lorca stressed that recycling is a solution to the reduction of what we call waste, which goes to the final disposal site.

"The separation must be done from the origin, the home, that we know how to use more sustainable materials, all this is aimed at creating an ecological conscience, greener, a sustained and shared environmental education".

He added that in Venezuela there

are organizations that are working in favor of recycling.

"Together with the Governor of Anzoátegui and the Ministry of Communes, a school and a communal recycling company were financed in Barcelona," he said.

He pointed out that "the Ministry for Ecosocialism (Minec) promotes the so-called Recycling and Cleaning Technical Tables (Metras), which go together with the Ecosocialism Committees of the communal councils".

"The Metras are organized with the community to collect plastic, cardboard or glass, usable material. Then the Minec accompanies them with the financing and the way they are going to transform the plastic", he specified.

He gave as an example the Caricuao parish of Caracas, where 'Karicuao Karibe', groups 84 community councils of the 152 that exist in the parish and are currently separating in homes, helping us to transform the plastic raw material.

"In Caricuao, 15 tons of plastic are collected weekly in the hope that the experience will be replicated throughout the country," he said.

He pointed out that the Minec has the National Garbage Observatory in which a constant monitoring is carried out".

"Each mayor's office is autonomous in its collection system and establishes its rates according to the competencies given to it by law", he detailed. However, a monitoring of the different directorates of public

services of the mayor's offices is carried out and when there is any anomaly or recurrent irregularity due to complaints of garbage accumulation, this ministerial portfolio communicates with the director of services or the mayor and the accompanying measures are taken.

Illegal mining violates environmental management

Minister Lorca emphasized that illegal mining is a historical practice that violates environmental management.

For this reason, a crusade is currently being led by the President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nicolás Maduro, in the Yapacana National Park, where an important work is being carried out against illegal mining, and where more than 12,000 people have been relocated who used to work in this area, which has generated some important displacements.

Sanitation of rivers and streams

Among the actions to be executed with respect to the cleanup of rivers and streams, Minister Lorca mentioned that they go hand in hand with environmental education.

"The sanitation of a river is very complex. In many countries they have 20 and 30 years sanitizing rivers and it is a work that has to do a lot with environmental education, not throwing garbage into the creek, to the disposal of water from industries that are pouring into these rivers. It is an integral work that not only depends on the State, on the municipalities, but on all venezuelans".

Denounce logging

The Minister of People's Power for Ecosocialism urged the population to report to the mayor's office or the Environmental Guard any act of indiscriminate pruning or exploitation of trees.

He emphasized the commitment of the technical accompaniment of the Minec "we will go and accompany the processes, in most cases they are always accompanied and a forceful response is given to the case".

Seed bank

Regarding the proposal for the creation of a Seed Bank, Lorca answered that they already exist, which guarantee the sovereignty and autonomy of the country in the genetics of food production.

He also mentioned that the Ministry of People's Power for Productive Agriculture and Lands, the National Institute of Agricultural Research (Inia) and the Vice Presidency of Science, Technology and Health have seed banks.

However, he announced the creation of "a great seed bank in the state of Merida to guarantee the autonomy and sovereignty of our country in genetic matters of our vegetation and food sovereignty".

He also recalled that in the year 2022, more than eight million seeds were delivered to students, which were subsequently sown in a joint work with the Ministries of Education and University Education; in addition to the recycling program in schools to promote culture in children.



At an international conference in Tehran

Venezuela promotes mechanisms and cooperation in the fight against Sand and Dust Storms



Hernán Toro, Vice Minister of Environmental Management of Minec, headed the Venezuelan delegation.

The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela participated in the first "International Conference on the Fight against Sand and Dust Storms", held in the city of Tehran, capital of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

On behalf of the Venezuelan State, a commission from the Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism (Minec) attended the meeting, promoted by Iranian President Seyed Ebrahim Raisi.

The meeting, which lasted two days, was attended by delegations from 50 countries and 15 international organizations, with the support of the United Nations (UN).

The purpose of the meeting was to generate commitments and strengthen the links between the participating countries for the establishment of agreements and treaties

focused on the causes and risks generated by sand and dust storms.

This environmental phenomenon brings with it serious consequences that impact human beings in terms of health, food and subsistence.

Although sand and dust storms usually occur in arid and semi-arid areas of the planet, they affect and concern all of humanity. In addition, they have registered a considerable increase due to the climatic crisis that the planet is currently suffering.

In this sense, Venezuela promotes the need to unite the efforts of developed and less developed countries in defense of life.

The Venezuelan delegation was headed by the Vice-Minister of Environmental Management of

the Minec, Hernán Toro, who was at the opening of the meeting which included a segment of interventions, as part of the first block, in which the problem could be addressed, as well as the willingness of those present to find solutions.

Afterwards, working sessions were set up in which those present were able to discuss measures, policies and actions to be applied internationally, linking monitoring and early detection procedures, financial mechanisms, as well as cooperation and alliances between nations.

Working groups were also established and conclusions of the conference and the certification of the final declaration of the meeting were generated.

Until Friday, October 20

Public Consultation for the Land Management Plan of the Orinoco Oil Belt "Hugo Chávez" begins

The Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism, Petróleos de Venezuela (PDVSA), the Ministry of People's Power for Planning and the Instituto Geográfico Venezuela Simón Bolívar, opened the Public Consultation for the preparation of the Land Management Plan for the "Hugo Chávez" Orinoco Oil Belt.

The consultation is being carried out in the states of Anzoátegui, Apure, Bolívar, Delta Amacuro, Guárico and Monagas and will be open until Friday, October 20.

Six presentations will be made as part of the public consultation.

Those interested may review the corresponding documents on the web page of the Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism (Minec): <http://www.minec.gob.ve/> in the area highlighted as Public Consultation, on the portal of Petróleos de Venezuela S.A. (PDVSA) www.pdvsa.com,

Ministry of Planning (www.mppp.gob.ve) and at the Instituto Geográfico Venezuela Simón Bolívar (www.igvsb.gob.ve).

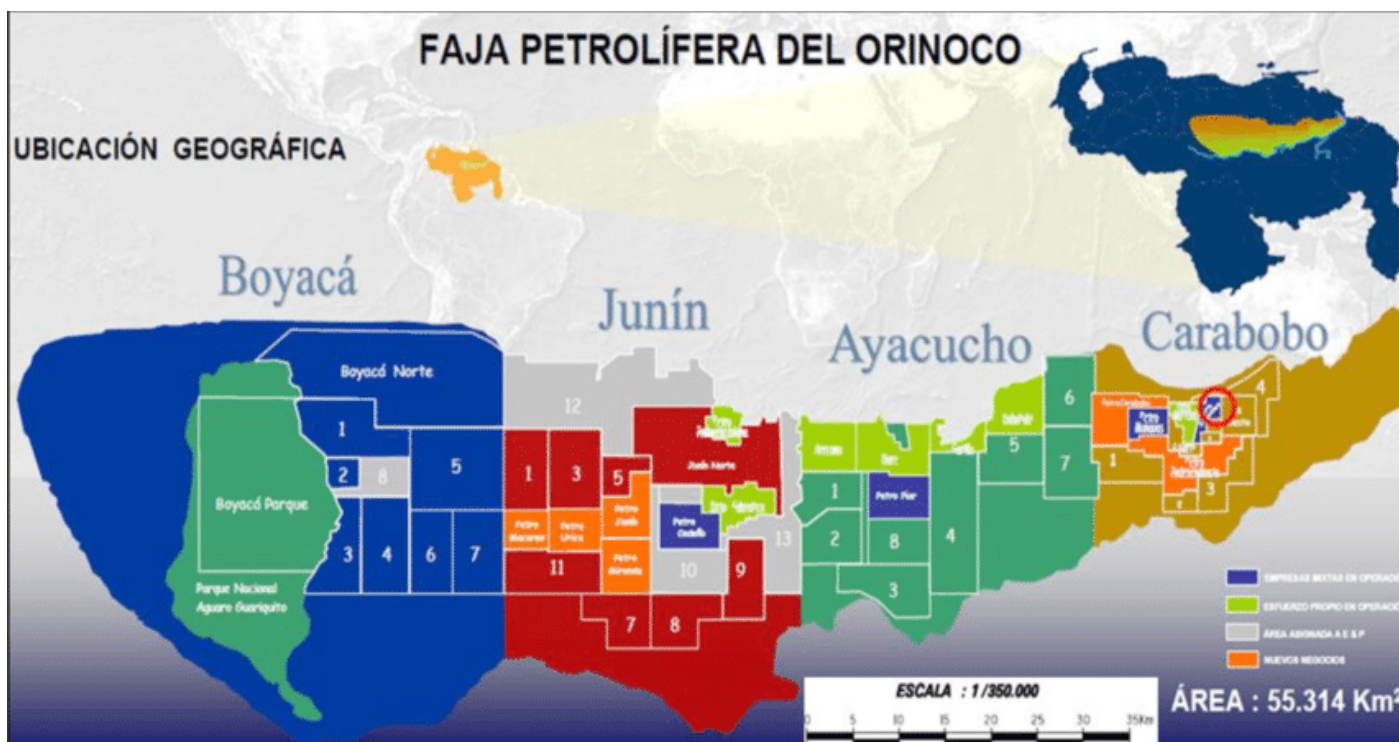
In the Minec portal, interested parties will find the official notice with the announcement of the consultation, the Draft Decree, the Technical Document POT FPO HC 01 09 2023 and a contribution form that can be sent via internet through the e-mail ordenaciondelterritorio.ve@gmail.com.

The public presentations at regional level will begin at 08:30 a.m. and will end at 04:30 p.m., and additionally, after the Public Consultation process, a presentation of the Workshops' General Balance is scheduled to begin at 09:30 a.m. and will end at 12:00 m.

This plan will allow guiding in its geographical scope, the harmonious and sustainable location of the development proposals, incorporating

in an integral manner the environmental, social, economic and cultural variables, with the participation of public and private institutions, as well as the different instances of the Popular Power, with their sectorial contributions.

It is important to point out that the Orinoco Oil Belt "Hugo Chávez" is conformed, from a political-administrative point of view, by partial territories of five states (Apure, Guárico, Anzoátegui, Monagas and Delta Amacuro) and 23 directly linked municipalities, on which various territorial planning strategies will be implemented, such as the Development Driving Districts, compact cities, communes and other forms of social organization, to promote the sustainable use of the resources and comparative advantages offered by such vast region.



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Recreation to the maximum

Successful conclusion of "Ecosocialist Vacation Plan 2023"

The "Ecosocialist Vacation Plan 2023" concluded successfully, in which sons and daughters of the workers of the Ministry of Ecosocialism and its affiliated entities enjoyed recreational activities during this vacation period.

Very early in the morning, the children gathered at Plaza Caracas, in the center of the capital city, to be welcomed by the teams of recreation workers and teachers, who provided them with breakfast and explained the day's agenda.

The children were taken to the Caricuao Zoo Recreational Park, located in the southwest of the capital, to appreciate the collection of animals through a guided tour and participate in various activities.

Personnel from the National Foundation for Environmental Education (Fundambiente), an entity attached to the Ministry of Environment and the General Directorate of Forestry Heritage accompanied the children.

During the meeting, the children received information about the park, the species housed, the need for environmental awareness and the attitude that should be assumed for the preservation of the planet.

The children also enjoyed inflatable mattresses, cotton candy, popcorn, ice cream, crazy hour, stilt walkers and dance therapy, and ended with a delicious lunch to recharge their batteries.



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FANB frees national parks such as Yacapana

More than 10,200 illegal miners have been expelled by the Bolivarian National Armed Forces (FANB) from the Venezuelan Amazon, revealed the President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nicolás Maduro, during the segment "Media, Networks and Walls" of the 15th edition of the program "Con Maduro +", broadcast by Venezolana de Televisión (VTV).

"We have been reporting from 'Con Maduro+' every Monday, the achievements of the FANB, of our military who are in the field of combat liberating national parks such as Yacapana, liberating the Amazon in a work that is vetoed and censored by the big media

and social networks. They like to launch negative news, highlight the negative, but when there is a heroic work to save our national parks in the south of Venezuela, they censor it, they silence it", said the National President.

In this regard, he praised the work carried out by the Venezuelan Armed Forces to fight and clean the Amazon of illegal mining, in order to preserve the rivers and the whole ecology, so he urged to do more to make visible this type of actions that represent the truth of Venezuela.

Minec held a workshop on animal welfare

30 species of wild and exotic fauna seized in Caracas



The Ecosocialist Management team of the Ministry of Ecosocialism (Minec) together with the Scientific, Criminal and Criminalistic Investigations Corps (Cicpc), seized at least 30 species of wild and exotic fauna in Avenida San Martín, Urbanización La Quebradita I, in Caracas.

The species were taken to the Caricuao Zoo in order to guarantee their health and safekeeping.

Workshop on animal welfare

Meanwhile, the Ministry of National Reforestation Plan

Ecosocialism held a two-day workshop on Animal Welfare, Environmental Enrichment and Behavioral Management of fauna in captivity, with the participation of René Rodríguez, a specialist from the National Zoo of Cuba.

The activity was carried out as an initiative promoted by the Minec and the National Foundation of Parks, Zoos, Zoos, Zoos and Aquariums (Funpzza), according to a press release from the Minec.

The objective was to share with the various entities relevant topics for the optimal

management of species and world trends regarding the care, conservation, adaptation, welfare and behavioral management of animals.

The workshop was attended by teams from the Caricuao Zoo, Generalísimo Francisco de Miranda Park, ExpanZoo, El Pinar Zoo, La Casita del Avestruz, San Antonio Abad Zoo and the Zoo, who exchanged experiences and opinions on the topics discussed.

Fundambiente stresses importance of forests for watershed conservation

The National Foundation for Environmental Education (Fundambiente), an entity attached to the Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism (Minec), highlights the importance of forests for the conservation of watersheds, in the context of the "Sowing Life" program of the National Reforestation Plan.

The exhibition was organized by the director of the Environmental Education line of the General Directorate of Training, Therenik

Parra, and the presentation was given by the forestry engineer, director of Forestry Supervision of the General Directorate of Forestry Patrimony of the Minec, José Azuaje.

The "Sembrando Vida" program emphasizes watershed conservation from the point of view of reforestation and the relevance of forests.

Due to the climate crisis and the situation of the watersheds, it

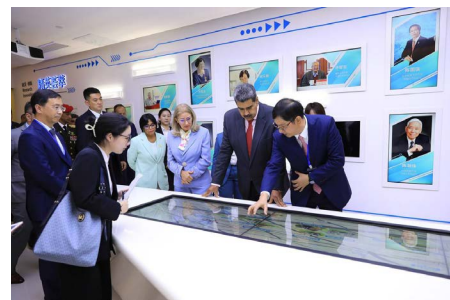
is necessary to emphasize the participation of the groups in terms of forest conservation, especially in the communities that live near the watersheds.

Parra maintains that knowing the study of soils, the location of the watersheds and everything related to their conservation is of vital importance to have a forest that is alive to take care of the waters.

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09/10/2023

We visited the Shanghai Clinical and Medical Research Center to learn about its experience in technological development in the service of health and medical sciences. This is an area that we will promote more strongly in our country to consolidate an advanced National Public Health System.



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09/05/2023

Edgar is an outstanding man from the Venezuelan Andes, dedicated to protecting our little Mucuchi dogs; he is a wonderful example of what affirmative Venezuela stands for. An effort that we hope will spread the breed throughout the country and the world. How beautiful!



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09/04/2023

The education of our children should be based on science and technology, to prepare them for the future. Today I met Valeria, who is only 12 years old and is part of the Semillero Científico that promotes robotics education. Let's promote the union between play and science!



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