

# *More than half of Mexicans trust President AMLO*

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Mexico City, July 30 (RHC)-- More than half of Mexicans trust the management of President Andrés Manuel López Obrador for his fight against corruption.

Mexico's Secretary of Public Function, Roberto Salcedo, reported before senators from the country's Governance and Anti-Corruption and Citizen Participation Commissions, that since 2019, trust in the president has increased from 25 to 51 percent.

Salcedo asserted that this increase responds to the current Mexican government's fight against what he described as "that social cancer" referring to corruption. When questioned by opposition legislators, the Minister referred to the fact that the coronavirus pandemic, the absence of "the lack of supply sources and the bureaucracy at the United Nations Office for Project Services" made it difficult to acquire medicines abroad, and highlighted that the country has acquired 97 percent of the medicines required by the health system.

Roberto Salcedo explained that in 2019 the country started with a 19 percent public tender, and by this year 2021 "we will be ending with 61 percent, which is an important achievement."

The head of the Ministry of Public Administration said that his agency must make the government machinery work, without mismanagement or misuse of the public budget, and asserted: "when there is corruption at the top, it permeates the entire public administration and it seems to be allowed."

The Mexican Senate ratified by majority vote Roberto Salcedo as Secretary of Public Administration, the official also expressed that his agency "has a defined course and a solid work program."

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