

A dialogue that sets the course



Tenth Legislature of the National Assembly of People's Power of Cuba

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Without neglecting their responsibilities as workers, students and even as leaders at different levels, the candidates for deputies of the Tenth Legislature of the National Assembly of People's Power of Cuba continue their intense and frank dialogue with the people.

This direct and continuous contact will undoubtedly enrich their work as deputies, should they be elected next 26th at the polls by the people, to whom they owe and represent.

Because, as Cuban President Miguel Díaz Canel has reiterated, "if there is no link with the grassroots, there is no follow-up to the people's problems". A line of work of the government, the people's power and the various institutions that must be improved and on which the president insisted again at the recent meeting of the Council of Ministers.

And on this path, since February 6, the 470 candidates have been developing an intense agenda, which includes visits to communities, production centers, services, education and science.

The aim is to get to know the characteristics of the territory that nominated them, their achievements and also the concerns, complaints and suggestions of those who placed their trust in them.

It is very encouraging to see how this exchange has not only made reference to the many existing problems, but has also heard proposals for solutions and initiatives to address the major challenges facing the country.

But it is also a way, far from any electoral publicity, for the voters to know closely the merits and capacity of each of these men and women who are part of the people and who, if elected, will have a great responsibility.

This interaction that facilitates knowledge is accompanied by the placement in visible places thirty days before the elections of the photos and biographies of the candidates, in equal conditions.

These meetings will be held until the 24th of this month, another example of the democracy that characterizes us, and which is materialized in popular participation.

The Cuban president has described these exchanges as very profitable, which contribute to everything that still needs to be done, and which, as he emphasized, set the course and help to build not only the present, but also the future of the nation.

An essential element is that the desire and commitment of the candidates for deputies to work for the welfare of all citizens has been made clear. No promises have been made in search of votes, because these men and women have made their own the maxim of Cuba's National Hero, José Martí, who said that to do is the best way to say.

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