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Vice-President Rosario Murillo informed that the Government of Nicaragua, through the Ministry of Health, is making progress in the vaccination and census campaign.

"We have already completed 99 percent of the census of children: 1 million 423 thousand 214, out of a target of 1 million 444 thousand 636. As part of the National Vaccination Drive, we have already reached 72.1 percent of the target. We have vaccinated 1 million 451 thousand 769 brothers and sisters out of a goal of 2 million 13 thousand", she said.

Regarding the vaccines against Covid-19, "Seventy-three percent of the population has completed the series, and 16.02 percent received a one dose", she informed.

"We also have statistics for dengue, pneumonia, which show a decrease. We also have a decrease of 8 percent in malaria, no deaths due to leptospirosis and no deaths attributed to influenza," she added.

"Today May 2nd is the culmination of the long weekend that we have dedicated to working families. We allocated [a long weekend] for the enjoyment of the hard-working families of our Nicaragua. Here we greet them, embrace them with affection, in harmony, in family and community values", she emphasized.

The Vice-president also reported on various conferences throughout the country celebrating achievements in education, in peace and well-being.

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<https://www.el19digital.com/articulos/ver/titulo:127699-asi-avanza-la-vacunacion-y-el-censo-nutricional-en-nicaragua>



Nicaragua: Energy reaches more indigenous communities in the South Caribbean

03 May

Several houses in the indigenous community of La Esperanza, located in the municipality of La Desembocadura del Río Grande in the South Caribbean, now have a photovoltaic energy system thanks to the programs promoted by the Government.

"I don't have to buy candles anymore to light the house. Now I just flip a switch and the light bulb lights up the whole house", said the very happy 32 year old, María Martínez.

Meanwhile, Noelia Nixon, owner of a local grocery store, said that "people are happy because now they can have a cold soda and even buy ice for their fresquito [homemade beverages]. This energy will benefit us in many ways", she said.

Teacher Gabriel Santiago indicated that "having energy in this community is a great achievement and it would not have been possible at all without the Sandinista government."



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<https://radiolaprimerisima.com/noticias-generales/destacado/llega-energia-a-otras-comunidades-indigenas-del-caribe-sur/>



Central Act to commemorate National Dignity Day

04 may

President Daniel Ortega and Vice President Rosario Murillo presided over the ceremony to commemorate the Nicaragua's Day of National Dignity, a date established in honor of the General of Free Men and Women, Augusto C. Sandino, who in 1927 refused to sign the Espino Negro Pact and opposed the US intervention.

The ceremony took place at the Olof Palme Convention Center and was attended by Foreign Minister Denis Moncada; President of the National Assembly Dr. Gustavo Porras; Commander-in-Chief of the Nicaraguan Army, Army General Julio César Avilés Castillo; the Director General of the National Police, First Commissioner Francisco Díaz Madriz; and the Youth Choir and Orchestra.

On behalf of the Nicaraguan people, President Ortega congratulated "these children, young people who have been forged in this new era of the Revolution and who are making art, culture and song flourish".

"We congratulate the Choir of boys, girls, young people, the Orchestra and its Maestro, Ramón Rodríguez," the President said.

Ortega stressed that no people on earth receive with joy those who come to occupy their territory, those who come to rob them of their goods, of their treasures, those who come to dispossess them of their culture.

"There is no North American, South American, Caribbean, Central American, European, African or Asian people who welcome with joy the interventions, aggressions and occupations that have taken place throughout the world. Peoples have responded with dignity, with courage and the Nicaraguan people are no exception," he said.

He recalled that the first stage of this history of struggle against the invaders, was fought by our ancestors where both Sandino and Darío exclaimed, with pride, that indigenous blood flows through our veins.

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<https://www.el19digital.com/articulos/ver/titulo:127762-acto-central-en-conmemoracion-al-dia-de-la-dignidad-nacional>



National Assembly Approves Electoral Law Reforms

05 May

This Thursday, the representatives of the National Assembly approved the proposed reforms to the Electoral Law aimed at reducing the time period of election campaigning and expediting the conformation of the Departmental, Regional and Municipal Electoral Councils, among other important aspects.

The Special Constitutional Commission finished the consultation process on Wednesday and presented the favorable opinion to the Governing Board. It then went to the plenary where it was approved by a broad majority.

During its adoption, Deputy Edwin Castro, Coordinator of the FSLN bench, explained that the electoral reforms guarantee the quality of the vote, and that Polling Stations will have 600 voters instead of 400.

Castro explained that the time for election campaigning will now be 30 days in the case of presidential elections, while the municipal or regional campaigning will be 20 days.

For his part, Deputy Wálmaro Gutiérrez, expressed that the reform contributes to the ongoing process of modernizing the electoral system and significantly improves the rules of the game during the elections.

The reform also stipulates respect for the customs of the Nicaraguan people. So, no campaigning will take place on All Souls' Day, which could interfere with the traditional practices of the population.

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Iran ready to supply oil and rebuild Nicaragua's refinery

06 May

The Islamic Republic of Iran is willing to supply the oil needed by Nicaragua and contribute to the reconstruction of its refinery, assured Javab Owji, Minister of Petroleum of that nation.

During a meeting with Nicaraguan Foreign Minister Denis Moncada, the Iranian Minister commented that he was given the mission by his President Raisi to do his utmost to expand and guide our economic cooperation in all possible fields with the sister Republic of Nicaragua.

He added that the Islamic Republic of Iran has no limitations for expanding and deepening our relations with the sister Republic of Nicaragua.

He announced, "Considering the capacity we have in oil, gas and petrochemical industry, we inform you that we are willing to provide fuel, petroleum derivatives and petrochemicals to Nicaragua."

He expressed his solidarity with Nicaragua, saying, "The principled policy of the Islamic Republic of Iran is to support and defend the independence, sovereignty, freedom and right to self-determination, and to reject interventionism. Therefore, we strongly condemn the application of the sanctions and unjust aggression and interventions by other powers in the internal affairs of Nicaragua."

He expressed his conviction that through the meetings that will be held over two days, the high-level delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran, with their counterparts from the Republic of Nicaragua, will be able to reach bilateral agreements in the areas of oil, agriculture, and foreign affairs, which will contribute to the strengthening of our friendly relations.

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<https://radiolaprimerisima.com/noticias-generales/destacado/iran-dispuesta-a-proveer-petroleo-y-reconstruir-refineria-en-el-pais/>



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