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The people's consultation on Cuban Code of the Families began in the province of Holguin last February 1st, with assemblies held in the selected districts. Previously, a test was carried out (January 27 and 28) which ratified to the Provincial Electoral Council that the system was ready to start the consultation, recalled Carlos Rodríguez Rubio, reporter from Radio Angulo.

Mario Cruz Díaz, president of the Electoral Council of the municipality of Holguín, explained that the test clarified all the steps to be followed regarding the way to conduct the assemblies and the filling out of the forms.

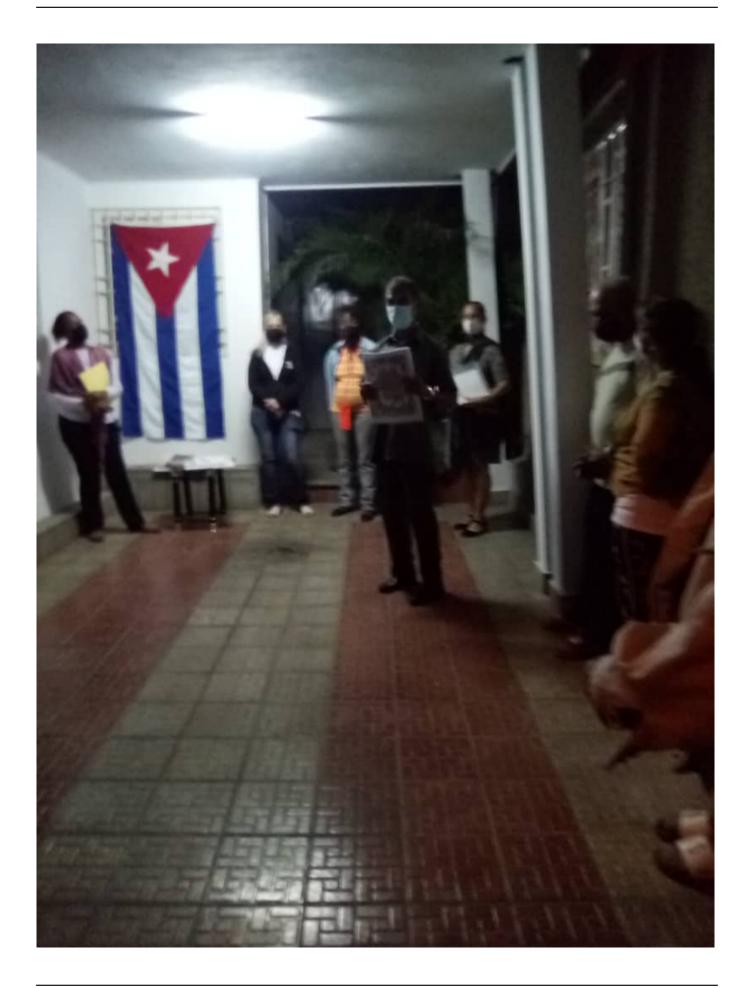
It also allowed to check the circulation of the information of the proposals from the base to the national system, Cruz Díaz assured.

The meetings will be taking place with a limit of 150 participants and each one will be attended by a duo of facilitators in charge of explaining and clarifying the doubts that may be generated by the technicalities of the text, said the President of the Electoral Council of the municipality of Holguín.

People who are far from their residence, at the University, the East-West Diversion Project, in El Ramón de Antilla or other boarding work of study places, could attend the nearest constituency to express their opinion.

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Likewise, those who due to disability problems or are isolated by Covid-19 and cannot attend the assemblies, may send a document with their proposals specifying the article to be modified, eliminated, the addition or doubt.

This new Code of the Families which is attached to the principles of the Constitution of the Republic of Cuba, introduces significant changes in other legal norms, in addition to being adjusted to the realities of the Cuban family today.

It is characterized for being a plural text, which introduces a broad concept of the family, modifies the regimes of filiation, inheritance, protects women, children and adolescents, the elderly and people with disabilities.

Despite the beginning of the consultation process, one difficulty is that the document to be analyzed has not yet been physically circulated, although it is available on digital platforms such as the web version of the Official Gazette of the Republic of Cuba, many people do not have access to this option.

This means that a significant part of the population is unaware of the contents of the document, which limits participation and hinders the quality of the proposals and their understanding.

The success of this process will depend on how the assemblies are conducted, on the preparation of those in charge of leading them and on the citizens' knowledge of the contents of the new Cuban Code of the Families, which will be endorsed by popular vote in September.