



COMMUNIQUE TO POLITICAL PARTIES ON THE SALIENT TIMELINES FOR THE 27TH NOVEMBER 2025 BY-ELECTIONS

1. The Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) is an independent state office established under Section 33 of Political Parties Act Cap. 7D with the broad mandate to register and regulate political parties as well administer the Political Parties Fund.
2. Pursuant to Article 88(4) of the Constitution, the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) issued notices in the Gazette on 8th August 2025 and 11th August 2025 vide Vol. CXXVII—No. 169 Gazette Notice No. 11160 and Vol. CXXVII—No. 170 Gazette Notice No. 11163 for by-elections to be held on Thursday 27th November, 2025.
3. Flowing from the above and in line with Part IVA of the Political Parties Act Cap. 7D on party nominations, the attention of political parties is drawn to the following salient timelines: -

Activity/Process	Provision/Reference	Period/Deadline
Party to submit details of persons authorized to sign nomination certificates including specimen signatures.	Section 34 of the PPA, Regulation 12 of the Political Parties (Registration) Regulations, 2019 and the Gazette Notices on the by-elections.	17 th September 2025.
Party request ORPP for a certified register.	Section 38C (3) of the PPA.	At least 21 days to the date of party nominations.

ORPP to issue a certified register to a political party.	Section 38C (4) of the PPA.	Within 7 days of the request for a register for a political party.
A political party to notify ORPP the method it intends to use in conducting party nominations in line with its nomination rules.	Section 38E (1) (a) of the PPA.	At least 10 days before the date of nomination.
A political party to notify ORPP of the date of the party nominations.	Section 38E (1) (b) of the PPA.	At least 10 days before the date of nomination.
A political party to notify ORPP of the venue or venues for the party nominations.	Section 38E (1) (c) of the PPA.	At least 10 days before the date of nomination.
A political party to notify ORPP of the list of members of the party who wish to be nominated by the party.	Section 38E (1) (d) of the PPA.	At least 10 days before the date of nomination.
A party to publish in the official website of the political party the dates and venues of the nominations.	Section 38E (2) (a) of the PPA.	At least 7 days before date of nomination.
ORPP publishes in its website the dates and venues of the political party's nominations.	Section 38E (2) (b) of the PPA.	At least 7 days before date of nomination.
A party to post in a nomination venue the list of party members qualified to participate in the direct nominations at that venue.	Section 38F (1) of the PPA.	Prior to the nomination date
Submission to ORPP and publish in the party website particulars of the party organ to conduct the direct nominations.	Section 38F (2) (b) of the PPA.	Prior to the nomination date
Submission to ORPP and publishing in the party website the procedure to be used in direct nomination.	Section 38F (2) (b) of the PPA.	Prior to the nomination date
A party that uses direct nomination to provide election materials (including ballot papers; ballot boxes; a copy of the register of the members of the party; pens; and nomination results slips) at each polling station.	Section 38F (1) (b) of the PPA	Prior nomination.

For indirect nominations, select delegates who shall participate in the party nominations from among the registered members of the party.	Section 38G (1) (a) of the PPA.	Before submission of delegates to the ORPP
Submission of a list of delegates to the Registrar for parties using indirect nomination through use of delegates.	Section 38G (1) (b) of the PPA.	At least 7 days before date of the nomination.
Specify the date and venue of the delegates' meeting.	Section 38G (1) (c) of the PPA.	Prior to the date of the meeting
Specify the polling process used by the delegates during the nominations.	Section 38G (1) (d) of the PPA.	Prior to the date of nominations
Specify the mode of interviews.	Section 38G (1) (e) of the PPA.	Prior to the date of nominations.
Specify the body within the party that shall conduct the interviews of potential candidates.	Section 38G (1) (f) of the PPA.	Prior to the date of nominations.
Party candidates to submit to parties their self-declaration forms in the prescribed form under the Leadership and Integrity Act.	Section 38H (a) of the PPA.	Prior to the date of nominations.
Resolution of disputes arising from party nominations	Section 38I of the PPA as the read with the Gazette Notices on the by-elections.	WITHIN 30 days of party nominations being 2nd October, 2025.



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