

Voter Registration Operational Planning

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The National Elections Commission (NEC), in cooperation with the UN-IEAT, conducted a series of workshops to review key elements of voter registration. These workshops took place between June 3rd and 5th, with a follow-up on June 24th, 2024.

Objectives

The workshops aimed to:

1. Discuss the country context and specific challenges and opportunities related to designing a voter registration process.
2. Review key elements of a voter registration process.
3. Identify a way forward for NEC's preparations for voter registration.

Participants

The events were attended by 34 participants, including Commissioners, Secretariat Members, and UN-IEAT counterparts.

Outcomes

The trainings resulted in:

1. Raised awareness of existing challenges, opportunities, and decisions required, both political and technical.
 2. Increased awareness of the sequencing of activities required for planning and implementing voter registration.
 3. Enhanced understanding of the existing legal framework for elections, specifically voter registration, and the different operational steps of the process.
 4. Greater awareness of the different options available for voter registration.
 5. Improved knowledge of the timeframes for planning and implementing a voter registration process.
 6. Identification of next steps required for planning voter registration within the broader context of setting up the Commission and planning for elections.
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NEC conducts internal workshop on legal drafting

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The NEC, with the support of the UN Integrated Electoral Assistance Team (IEAT), conducted an internal workshop on legal drafting. The purpose of the workshop was to initiate the process of deliberations on the secondary legislation that the NEC shall adopt, as mandated by the National Elections Act 2012 (as amended), in order to supplement specific areas of the electoral legal framework. NEC members as well as members of the secretariat participated in this workshop, that set the pace for the regulations to be adopted, the consultation with external stakeholders such as political parties and civil society regarding specific regulations and the way forward.