



# Electoral Commission – Sierra Leone (EC-SL)



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## PRESSSTATEMENT

### DECLARATION OF RESULT FOR LOCAL COUNCIL BYE ELECTION IN WARD 069 KENEMA CITY COUNCIL.

1. By the powers vested in it under section 33 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991 (Act No. 6 of 1991), and pursuant to sections 69 (1) and 70 (1) of the Public Elections Act, 2012 (Act No 4 of 2012); and Section 10, Subsection (1) of the Local Government Act, 2004 (Act No. 1 of 2004), Local Council bye-election in Ward 069, Kenema City Council was conducted on **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2021** in accordance with the relevant electoral legal frame work.
2. According to a letter from the Chief Administrator of the Kenema City Council dated **16<sup>th</sup> August 2021**, the vacancy occurred as a result of leave of absence on the part of **Councillor Alfred Ndorwa Barnett** of Ward 069, Constituency 021, Kenema City Council who went for further studies.
3. Three (3) political parties, contested the said bye-election in Ward 069, Kenema City Council; the Sierra Leone Peoples Party (SLPP), the Revolutionary United Front Party (RUF) and the All Peoples Congress Party (APC).
4. The Sierra Leone Police (SLP) provided adequate security in all polling stations in the said Ward.
5. Political Party Agents, the Political Parties Registration Commission (PPRC), the Office of National Security (ONS), National Elections Watch (NEW), Civil Society Network (CSN), Sierra Leone Association of Journalists (SLAJ), Election Conflict, Prevention and Mediation Group (ECPMG) observed the Local Council bye-election on polling day and the tallying process at the Sierra Leone Teachers Union hall (SLTU) at Wahmann Abu Road, Kenema City.
6. Media houses like the Africa Young Voices (AYV), Radio and Television, Community Radio Stations in Kenema District, amongst other stakeholders also observed the tallying of results at the Sierra Leone Teachers Union Hall (SLTU) at Wahmann Abu Road, Kenema City

## ANALYSIS OF RESULTS: Ward 069 Kenema City Council:

7. Analysis of results for Ward 069 Kenema City Council is as follows:

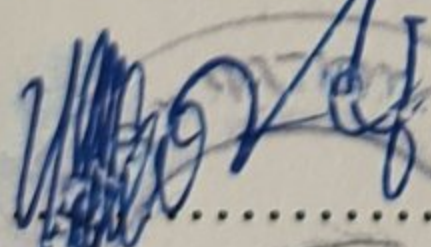
- **Twenty-Four (24)** polling station results were entered into the result database, representing 100% of all polling stations in the Ward.
- The voter turnout was **1,544** out of a voter register of **6,834**; giving a percentage turnout of **22.6%**;
- The total number of valid votes cast was **1,475**;
- There were **69** invalid votes, representing **4.5%** of total votes cast.

The results are as follows:

Candidate	Political Party	Votes Obtained	%
KASSOH ANITA SARAH	SLPP	1,059	71.8
SAMU ALEX BRIMA	RUFPP	51	3.5
YAJOH HASSAN	APC	365	24.7

Therefore, in exercise, of the powers conferred on me as National Returning Officer, by Section 94 Subsection (4) of the Public Elections Act, 2012 (Act No.4 of 2012), I hereby declare **ANITA SARAH KASSOH** of the **Sierra Leone Peoples Party (SLPP)** who, having polled the highest number of valid votes cast, duly elected Councillor for **Ward 069, in Kenema City Council**.

Signed and dated this 15<sup>th</sup> Day of November, 2021

  
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**Mohamed Kenewui Konneh**  
**Chief Electoral Commissioner, Chairman and**  
**National Returning Officer.**