



PRESS RELEASE

DECLARATION OF DATE FOR THE CONDUCT OF CONSTITUENCY 056 BYE ELECTION IN TONKOLILI DISTRICT AND LOCAL COUNCIL BYE ELECTIONS IN WARD 031 IN KENEMA, WARD 138 IN FALABA, WARD 212 IN KARENE, WARDS 239 AND 252 IN PORT LOKO DISTRICT ON SATURDAY, 25th JUNE 2022.

In exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 33 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991(Act No. 6 of 1991); and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 69 (1) and 70(1) of the Public Elections Act, 2012 (Act No. 4 of 2012) and Section 10 of the Local Government Act, 2004 (Act No. 1 of 2004), and section 33 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991 (Act No.6 of 1991), and pursuant to the provisions of section 39 of the said Constitution, the Electoral Commission (EC) makes the following proclamation;

- 1. Saturday 25th day of June 2022** is hereby declared as the day for the conduct of Constituency 056 bye election in Tonkolili District and Local Council bye Elections in **Ward 031 in kenema, Ward 138 in Falaba, Ward 212 in Karene, Wards 239 and 252 in Port Loko in District.**
2. Pursuant to Section 76 (1)(f) of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991 (Act No. 6 of 1991), the Clerk of the House of Parliament has notified the Commission of a vacancy in Constituency 056 in Tonkolili District following the inauguration of former Member of Parliament Hon. Alhjaji Musa Bamba Foray Kulio Jalloh as Paramount Chief of Sambaia Chiefdom
3. According to letters from the Chief Administrators from Kenema, Falaba, Karene and Port Loko District Councils, the vacancies occurred as a result of the deaths of **Councillors in the aforementioned District Councils. May the soul of the departed Rest in Perfect Peace (RIP).**
4. Nomination of Candidates for the Parliamentary and Local Council bye Elections shall take place from **Thursday 28th to Friday 29th April 2022** in the affected **District Offices.**

5. In accordance with Statutory Instrument No. 13 of 2012, the candidates' nomination fee for the Parliamentary bye election per candidate is TEN MILLION LEONES ONLY (Le 10,000,000.00) and Local Council bye Elections is **ONE MILLION LEONES ONLY(Le. 1,000,000.00)** per Candidate payable to the District Returning Officers at the respective District offices.
6. Qualifications and disqualifications for Members of Parliament are found in Sections 75 and 76 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991 (Act No. 6 of 1991) and for Councillors are found in Section 6 of the Local Government Act, 2004 (Act No 1 of 2004) and any other relevant legislation.
7. The Commission will conduct the said bye elections in accordance with Corona Virus 2019 (Covid-19) prevention guideline that was approved by the National Covid-19 Response Centre (NACOVERC) for the conduct of electoral activities nationwide.
8. Other details for the nomination and conduct of the said bye elections shall be published by the Electoral Commission in due course.

Signed and dated this 28th day of March, 2022.



Mohamed Kenewui Kenneh
Chief Electoral Commissioner, Chairman
and National Returning Officer