



Electoral Commission for Sierra Leone (ECSL)

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PRESS STATEMENT

The Public would recall that the Commission held a Press Conference on 7th September 2022 about the ongoing voter registration and inter-alia highlighted some challenges that affected the registration commencement in some parts of the country. Corrective measures were adopted without major interruptions to the voter registration exercise.

The second phase of the voter registration exercise has been very successful, and the Commission is satisfied with the turn out and the data collection process.

However, the Commission is cognizant of the initial challenges encountered with setting up of the equipment and deployment of Staff which delayed opening of some centers across the country in the first phase of the registration process.

Consequently, and pursuant to **Section 169 of the Public Elections Act, 2022 (Act No.17 of 2022)**; the Commission hereby proclaims the following:

- a) **Extend the period of voter registration by two (2) days commencing 7 – 8 October 2022.**
- b) **The extended period will be limited to all 1,815 registration centers of the First Phase.**

The Commission will use two (2) days period (5-6 October 2022) for reconfiguration and deployment of equipment and Staff.

The Commission appreciates Sierra Leoneans for their peaceful participation and encourages those who have not registered to take advantage of the extended window to exercise their right to register.

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3rd October 2022