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Our Mission:

To efficiently organise, conduct and supervise regular, free, fair and transparent elections and referenda to enhance democracy and good governance

Our Vision:

To be a model institution and centre of excellence in election management.

Goal:

To promote participatory democracy and good governance for the country's prosperity

Guiding Principles:

- Independence and Impartiality ►Professionalism, Competence and Efficiency
- Integrity and Accountability ►Transparency and Inclusiveness, and
- Service Orientation

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Foreword



Dear esteemed readers, we welcome you to this special edition of The 2016 General Elections Factbook.

This year, 2016, Ugandan citizens, who have been registered to vote, will have an opportunity to determine through the power of the ballot box, a government of their choice, starting with the office of the President, Parliament and the various levels of local government.

I wish to express my gratitude to the people of Uganda, who have participated in all electoral activities leading to the forthcoming polling day. With your support and involvement, the Commission has been able to accomplish the planned and scheduled activities on the Road map for the 2015-2016 General Elections. It is important to realize that the electoral process actually starts and ends with you. I urge you to continue and finish what you started with us, so that we elect our leaders and strengthen democracy in Uganda.

In this Factbook, we will provide some basic information that will help our stakeholders understand the upcoming activities so that they play their respective roles in order for all of us to achieve a credible election.

The Factbook provides basic statistics about the elections and useful information on the legal framework for the elections, as well as key contacts to ease access to information. Detailed information on the Roadmap, comprehensive list of candidates nominated for the various elective positions and guidelines for the elections can be obtained from the Electoral Commission website: www.ec.or.ug

For God and my Country,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'B. Kiggundu'.

Eng. Dr. Badru M. Kiggundu
Chairperson, Electoral Commission

Our **Mandate**

The Electoral Commission is established under Article 60 of the 1995 Constitution of the Republic of Uganda, and is mandated under Article 61 of the 1995 Constitution of the Republic of Uganda (as amended) to:

- i. Ensure that regular, free and fair elections and referenda are held;
- ii. Organize, conduct and supervise elections and referenda in accordance with the Constitution;
- iii. Demarcate constituencies in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution;
- iv. Formulate and implement voter educational programmes related to elections;
- v. Compile, maintain, revise and update the voters' register;
- vi. Hear and determine election complaints arising before and during polling; and,
- vii. Ascertain, publish and declare in writing under its seal the results of the elections and referenda.

As an independent body, the Constitution mandates the Commission to be free from any direction or control of any person or authority in the performance of its functions (Art. 62). The Constitution also directs Parliament to ensure that adequate resources and facilities are provided to the Commission to enable it effectively discharge its mandate (Art. 66).

Legal Framework

The Electoral Commission executes its mandate within the following main legal framework inclusive of the enabling laws as passed by the Parliament, namely:

- The Constitution of the Republic of Uganda, 1995 (as amended);
- The Political Parties and Organizations Act 18 of 2005;
- The Electoral Commission Act , Cap 140;
- The Presidential Elections Act 16 of 2005;
- The Parliamentary Elections Act 17 of 2005;
- The Local Governments Act, Cap 243;
- The National Women's Council Act, Cap 318;
- The National Youth Council Act, Cap 319;
- The Referendum and Other Provisions Act 1 of 2005;
- The Kampala Capital City Authority Act;
- The National Council for older persons Act 2013 and
- Other statutory instruments/guidelines.

Polling dates for the various elective positions in the 2016 General Elections

No.	Elective Position	Polling Date
1.	President	18 th February 2016
2.	Parliamentary	18 th February 2016
3.	Chairpersons, Directly Elected Councilors and Women Councilors for District (LC V);	24 th February 2016
4.	Lord Mayor, Directly Elected Councilors and Women Councilors for Kampala Capital City Authority*	24 th February 2016
5.	Councilors for PWDs, Older Persons and Youth to District Councils and Kampala Capital City Authority;	26 th February 2016
6.	Chairpersons, Directly Elected Councilors and Women Councilors for Municipality and Kampala Capital City Divisions;	2 nd March 2016
7.	PWDs, Older Persons and Youth Councilors to Municipalities and Kampala Capital City Divisions;	4 th March 2016
8.	Chairpersons, Directly Elected Councilors and Women Councilors for Municipal Division, Sub County and Town Councils;	9 th March 2016
9.	PWDs, Older Persons and Youth Councilors to Municipal Division, Sub County and Town Councils;	10 th March 2016

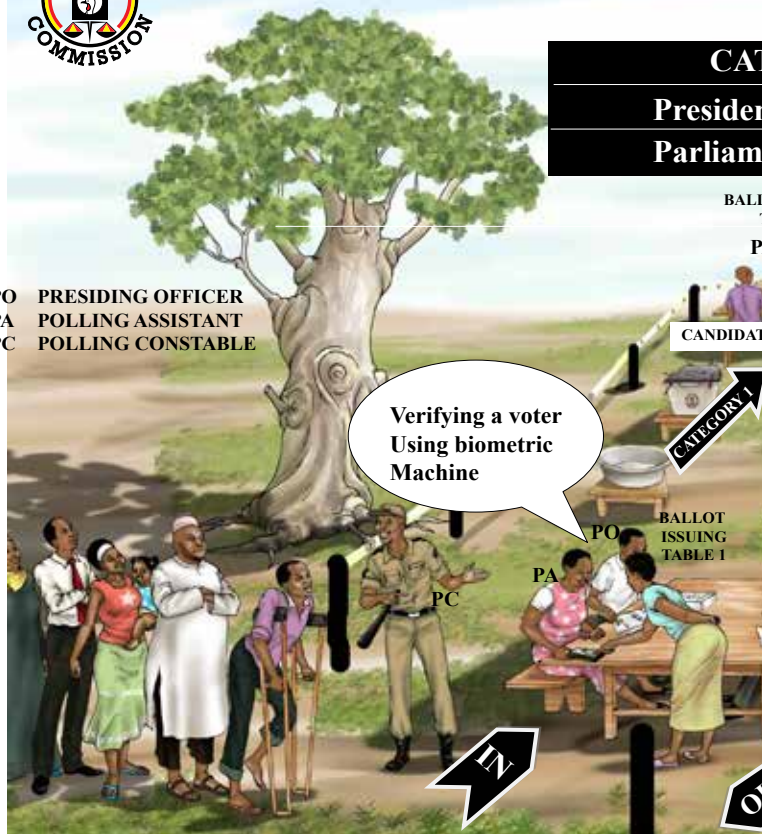


8	The number of nominated candidates for Presidential Elections
29	The number of registered political parties and organisations in Uganda
112	The number of districts in Uganda
249	The number of counties in Uganda
290	The number of constituencies in Uganda
1,397	The number of sub counties in Uganda
7,431	The number of parishes in Uganda
57,842	The number of villages in Uganda
28,010	The number of polling stations in Uganda
600,000	The estimated number of pages of the National Voters' Register (hard copy)
15,277,196	The number of registered voters in Uganda



POLLING STATION LAYOUT

PO PRESIDING OFFICER
PA POLLING ASSISTANT
PC POLLING CONSTABLE



CATEGORY	POLLING DATE
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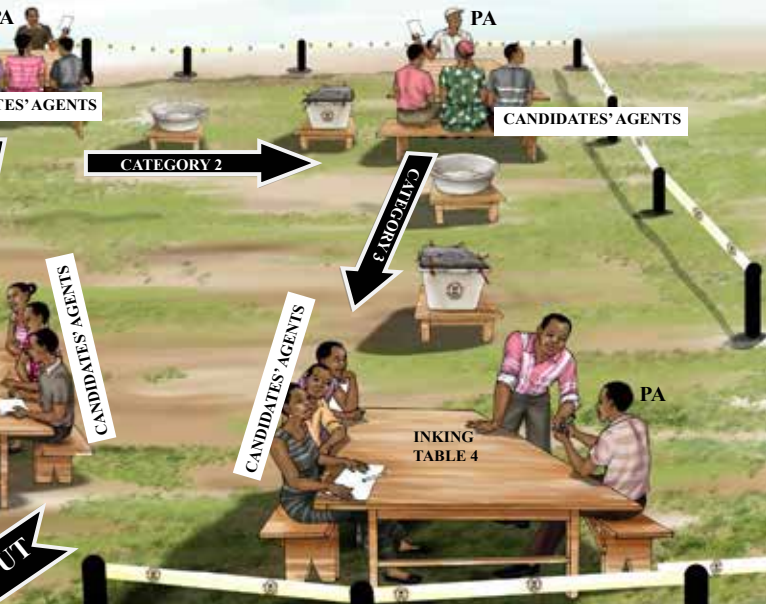
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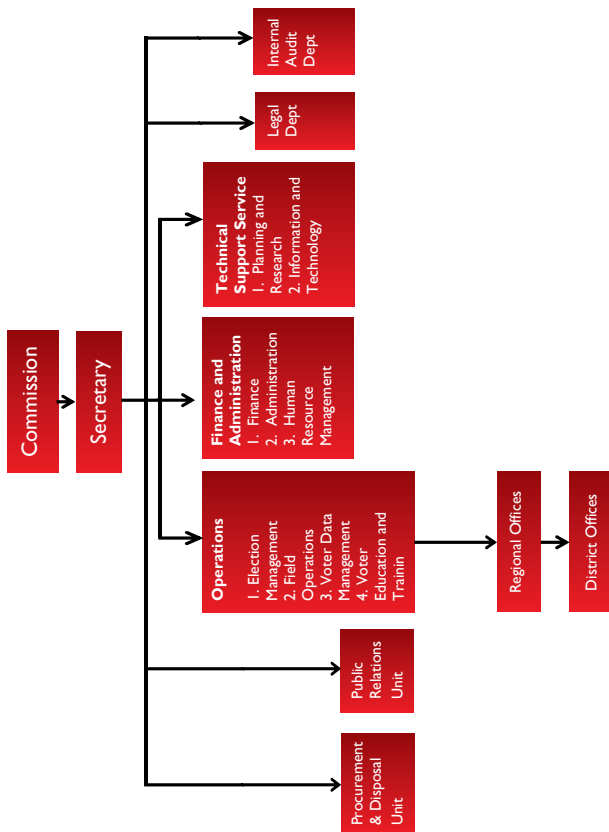
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TABLE 2

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PWDs, Older Persons and Youth Councilors to Municipalities and Kampala Capital City Divisions	4 th March 2016
Chairpersons, Directly Elected Councilors and Women Councilors for Municipal Division, Sub County and Town Councils	9 th March 2016
PWDs, Older Persons and Youth Councilors to Municipal Division, Sub County and Town Councils	10 th March 2016

The Commission Organogram is as Shown here Below



Members of the Electoral Commission



Eng. Dr. Badru M. Kiggundu
Chairperson



Joseph N. Biribonwa
Deputy Chairperson



Dr. Jenny B. Okello
Commissioner



Steven Ongaria
Commissioner



Justine A. Mugabi (Mrs.)
Commissioner



Tom W. Buruku
Commissioner

Members of Management



Sam A. Rwakoojo
Secretary
Electoral Commission



Jovita Byamugisha (Mrs),
Director,
Finance & Administration



Pontius Namugera
Director,
Technical Support Services



Leonard Mulekwah
Director,
Field Operations



Jennifer S. B. Angeyo
Head Legal



Mashate Charles
Head, Voter Education
& Training



Joshua S. Wamala
Head,
Election Management



Patrick O. Malakwang
Head,
Administration



George Kyeyune
Head,
Internal Audit



Richard B. Kamugisha
Head,
Field Operations



Joseph Lwanga
Head, Finance



Herbert Wamboko,
Head,
Information Technology



Tumwebaze Mukiga
Head,
Planning & Research



James Niwamanya
Head,
Human Resource Mgt



Godfrey Wanyoto
Head,
Procurement Unit



Jotham Taremwa
Head,
Public Relations

Summary Programme for 2016 General Elections

NO.	ACTIVITY	DATE
1.	General Update of the National Voters' Register	2015
2.	General Update of the Special Interest Groups (SIGs) Register	2015
3.	Cut-off date for General Update of the National Voters' Register	2015
4.	Cut-off date for application to transfer voting location	2015
5.	Compilation of Voters' Registers for Special Interest Groups	2015
6.	Recruitment of officials to conduct Display of the Voter's Register	2015
7.	Display of lists of recruited display officials at the Office of the Returning Officer in each district	2015
8.	Training of display officials	2015
9.	Display of the National Voters' Register at all Polling Stations countrywide	2015
10.	Display of Parish Tribunal recommendations for deletion or inclusion on the National Voters' Register	2015
11.	Nomination of Candidates: Presidential, Parliamentary and Local Government Councils Elections	2015
12.	Nomination of Candidates for Special Interest Groups	2015
13.	Period for inspection of candidates' nomination papers and lodging of complaints	2015
14.	Harmonization of campaigns programme for Presidential, Parliamentary and Local Government Councils Elections	2015
15.	Campaign period for Presidential, Parliamentary and Local Government Councils Elections	2015
16.	Issuance of Updated Copy of the National Voters' Register to Political Parties and Organizations, and Independent Candidates participating in the Presidential Elections	2015
17.	Recruitment of Polling Officials for Presidential, Parliamentary and Local Government Councils Elections	2015
18.	Training of Polling Officials, Tally Clerks and Candidates' Agents for Presidential, Parliamentary and Local Government Councils Elections	2015
19.	Display of lists of Polling Day Officials for Inspection at the Office of the Returning Officer and at Sub County Headquarters	2015
20.	Accreditation of National and International Election Observers, including media	2015
21.	Polling period for Presidential, Parliamentary and Local Government Councils Elections	2016
22.	Polling period for Special Interest Groups' (SIG) Representatives to Parliament and to Local Government Councils	2016
23.	Elections of Representatives of Professional Bodies in Kampala Capital City Authority (KCCA)	2016

Eng. Dr. Badru M. Kiggundu
Chairperson, Electoral Commission

2016 Election Statistics (Elective Positions)

2016 General Elections in Figures

The table below shows the summary of elective positions at the different levels of Local Government:

Local Government Level	C/persons	Directly elected Councilors	Women Councilors (forming 1/3 of Councils)	Councilors representing Special Interest Groups
District/City	112	1,406	957	672
Municipality/City Div	39	578	373	234
Sub County, Town/ Municipal Division	1,392	7,528	6,867	8,352

The total number of effective positions at the Local Government is **28,510**

The table below shows the summary of elective positions for different categories represented in Parliament:

No.	Category	Number of Seats
1.	Directly-elected Members of Parliament	290
2.	District Women Representatives to Parliament	112
3.	Members of Parliament Representing Special Interest Groups	25











The total number of elective positions for Parliament **427**

The following persons were successfully nominated as candidates for Presidential Elections 2016

No.	Nominated	Political party/Organisation
1.	Yoweri Museveni Kaguta	National Resistance Movement
2.	Amama Mbabazi	Independent
3.	Baryamureeba Venansius	Independent
4.	Besigye Kizza Kifefe	Forum for Democratic Change
5.	Abed Bwanika	Peoples' Development Party
6.	Mabirizi Joseph	Independent
7.	Maureen Faith Kyalya Waluube	Independent
8.	Biraaro Buta Benon	Farmers Party of Uganda

Symbols

The following symbols approved by the Electoral Commission for use by independent candidates in Presidential, Parliamentary Local Government Council Elections, 2016

	BICYCLE
	POT
	CLOCK
	CHAIR
	SAUCEPAN
	TABLE
	CUP
	RADIO
	KETTLE
	BALL

How to vote:



Secretly mark a tick or place your thumb print in the box beside the picture or symbol of your choice



List of Registered Political Parties and Organisations in Uganda

NO.	PARTY NAME	ADDRESS
1	National Resistance Movement (NRM)	Plot 10 Kyadondo Rd. Box 7778, Kampala. 0772 421119, 0772 502675
2	People's Progressive Party (PPP)	Bukoto, Box 9252, Kampala. 041 505178, 0752 635088, 0712 635088
3	Forum for Integrity in Leadership (FIL)	Carol House, Bombo Road, Box 7606, Kampala. 0772 628786, 0772 434001, 0712 251999
4	Republican Women and Youth Party (RWYP)	Plot 12, Johnson Street Box 7590, Kampala. 0772 480957, 0782 392451
5	National Peasants' Party (NPP)	Plot 123, Katwe Rd, Sapoba Hse, Box 39709, Kampala. 0752 980844, 0782 375376
6	Uganda Economic Party (UEP)	Plot 14 William Street, Kirumira Towers, 7 th Floor, Box 72605 Kampala. 0752 610044/0752 533202/0752533202
7	Forum for Democratic Change (FDC)	Plot 9, Entebbe Rd, Najjanankumbi, Box 26928, Kampala. 0772 487652, 0712 736353
8	Conservative Party (CP)	P O Box 5145 Kampala. 0752 694597
9	National Unity, Reconciliation and Development Party (NURP)	Plot 79, Buganda Rd. Box 10107, Kampala. 0772 867981, 0772 911060
10	Ecological Party of Uganda (EPU)	Namugera Building, Mirim Rd Ndeje (Off E'bbe Rd) P.O. Box 25645, Kampala. Email: napouganda@yahoo.com. 0772 444744, 0757 444444, 0772 373326
11	National Convention For Democracy (NCD)	Plot 86, Jjunju Road P.O. Box 25351, Kampala. 0772 867981
12	Farmers Party of Uganda (FPU)	Plot 54, Naguru Drive, Box 33243, Kampala. 0782 829281 & 0712 734013
13	Liberal Democratic Transparency (LDT)	2 nd Floor, Room 21, Sunset, Arcade, Wilson Road, P.O. Box 33235, Kampala. 041 235414 & 0772 399529
14	Uganda People's Congress (UPC)	Uganda House, Plot 10 Kampala Rd, Box 9206, Kampala. 041 256875, 0782 101527
15	Justice Forum (JEEMA)	P.O.Box 3999, Kampala. 0772 500461 & 0772562539, 0772 436239
16	Uganda People's Party (UPP)	c/o Uganda Muslim Supreme Council, Old Kampala. Box 11009, K'la. 0782 860038, 0772 604985, 0774 130209, 0772 409467
17	Social Democratic Party (SDP)	P O Box 21782, Kampala. 0772 964403, 0752 407050
18	Uganda Patriotic Movement (UPM)	Busabala Home Clinic, Box 2083, Kampala. 0772 500333, 0782 936992 0752 654524
19	Democratic Party (DP)	Plot 3, William Street, Box 7098, Kampala. 041 232704, 0782 388710, 0772 432096
20	Popular People's Democracy (PPD)	P O Box 24206, Kampala. 0782 799794, 0752 655217
21	People's United Movement (PUM)	P O Box 72605, Kampala. 0774 725943 & 0772 924183
22	Society for Peace and Development (SPD)	Box 27126, Kampala. Box 795, Mbale. 0772449967
23	National Youth Revolutionary Organisation (NYRO)	P.O. Box 28, Mbarara. 0782 421669-0485 22554, 0774 365347
24	People's Development Party (PDP)	P.O. Box 25765, KAMPALA. Makerere Hill Rd, Relief Bldg (Opp. LDC) 031 273553, 0752 656917, 0782 495702
25	Congress Service Volunteers Organisation (COSEVO)	P.O. Box 22061 Kampala. 0752 449117, 0414 250921
26	Activist Party (AP)	P.O. Box 24780, Mengo, Kampala 0712 803424, 0712 958285
27	Green Partisan Party (GPP)	P.O.Box 35596, Kampala. 0757 403826, 0751 500616
28	Uganda Federal Alliance (UFA)	P.O.Box 14196, Kampala. 0783 438201, 0776 951888
29	Revolutionary People's Party (RPP)	Plot 8/30 Bombo Road. P.O. Box 2640, Kampala. Tel: 0784740943, 0758351088, 0702844067. Email: partyrevolutionary@yahoo.com

Voter Location Slips (VLS)

KEY FEATURES OF THE SAMPLE VOTER LOCATION SLIP, VLS

VOTER LOCATION SLIP
VLS

APPLICANT NAME: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

Sex: M

Subcounty: [REDACTED]

Constituency: [REDACTED]

D.O.B: [REDACTED]

Age: [REDACTED]

Gender: [REDACTED]

Parish: [REDACTED]

Location: [REDACTED]

EXPIRY → Expiry Date: 2016-08-01

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BARCODE/QR – Must be maintained clean

The Electoral Commission has produced Voter Location Slips (VLS) which will be issued to voters at least two weeks before the first cycle of elections to enable them conveniently locate their respective polling stations on polling day.

The VLS is a response by the Commission to complaints raised in the past elections, where some voters reported difficulty in locating their polling stations.

It bears the particulars of a voter, namely: photograph, identification number, names, date of birth, and location (that is, the district, constituency, Sub County, parish and polling station).

It also bears a barcode which will be read by the Biometric Voter verification device and will be issued at every parish by the Parish supervisor who is an employee of the Electoral Commission.

Biometric Voter Verification System

The Electoral Commission is introducing a new technology that will be used in the upcoming General Elections, namely, the Biometric Voter Verification System (BVVS). The BVVS is one of the new measures aimed at improving the management and conduct of elections in Uganda through authentication of voter identity. The system basically uses fingerprints to match voter details which will help the election officer to confirm that the voter is on the roll of that polling station.

The system will enable the Commission to ensure that only registered persons vote during the elections and that such persons (voters) do not vote more than once for the same election. The system will also assist the voter to locate his/her polling station within the district.

The Commission has acquired **32,334** (thirty two thousand three hundred and thirty four) machines to cater for the **28,010** (twenty eight thousand and ten) polling stations in Uganda during the upcoming General Elections.





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