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PRESS RELEASE
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BY-ELECTIONS FOR NINE (9) WARD

Notice is hereby given to the general public that the Electoral Commission of Zambia has prescribed **Friday, 12th July, 2024** as the date on which to hold ward by-elections in **Lushiba Ward, Kawambwa District of Luapula Province; Chinama Ward, Kanchibiya District of Muchinga Province; Luchinde Ward, Nakonde District of Muchinga Province; Mulalo Ward, Nakonde District of Muchinga Province; Kaminzekezeke Ward, Mufumbwe District of North-Western Province; Njame Ward, Chirundu District of Southern Province; Mubula Ward, Choma District of Southern Province; Liumena Ward, Sikongo District of Western Province and Mwenyi Ward, Sikongo District of Western Province.**

The polls will take place from 06:00 hours to 18:00 hours on **Friday, 12th July, 2024.**

Nominations for the said by-elections will be conducted on **Tuesday, 11th June, 2024.** **Campaign period commences on Wednesday, 12th June, 2024 and will end at 18:00 hours on Thursday, 11th July, 2024.**

The by-elections have arisen due to the resignations and death as outlined in the schedule contained in this statement.

Aspiring candidates in the by-elections should lodge completed and attested statutory declaration and nomination papers subscribed before a Magistrate, Local Court Magistrate, Head of a Government Primary or Secondary School, Principal of a College, Commissioner for Oaths, Election Officer or returning officer on **Tuesday, 11th June, 2024 between 09:00 hours and 15:00 hours.**

All aspiring candidates in these by-elections will be required to pay non-refundable nomination fees as detailed in the table below:

	Councillor/City and Municipal	Category	Nomination Fee (K)
		Male	1,500.00
		Female	1,000.00
		Youth	1,000.00
		Persons with Disabilities	1,000.00
	Councillor/Town/District)	Category	Nomination Fee (K)
		Male	600.00
		Female	500.00
		Youth	500.00
		Persons with Disabilities	500.00

All Candidates in the by-elections must also present certified copies of their Grade 12 Certificates, as a minimum academic qualification or equivalent.

Adoption certificates of candidates sponsored by a political party should bear both the signatures and full names of both the Secretary General and president, or the Secretary General of the party.

In view of the above requirements, the Commission wishes to advise aspiring candidates who may wish to contest in these by-elections that failure to comply with these requirements shall render the nomination papers invalid.

Media personnel and registered non-governmental organisations wishing to monitor/observe the elections are advised to apply for accreditation in the respective districts, at the Civic Centre, which will take place from **Saturday 8th to Monday 10th June, 2024 for Nominations** and **Tuesday 9th July to Thursday 11th July 2024 for the Polls**.

Accreditation for participating political party officials/representatives of candidates wishing to monitor elections in the ward shall only be up to a **maximum of 10 members** per political party/candidate. Please note that only a **maximum of 5 accredited members per political party/candidate** and **two accredited representatives of NGOs** shall be authorized to represent their respective political parties or NGOs at the Collation Centre (Totaling Centre).

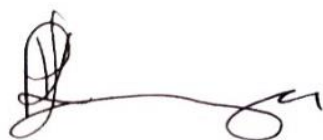
Only five (5) senior officials of any participating political party/candidate with Electoral Commission of Zambia accreditation will be allowed to accompany aspiring candidates into the Nomination Centre during the filing of nominations. The rest of the supporters should remain outside the 400 meter parameter from the Nomination Centre in accordance with the law.

In addition, **not more than two (2) political party members/candidate representatives** per participating political party/candidate shall be allowed to witness counting of votes at the Polling Station.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WARD BY-ELECTIONS

Province	District	Constituency	Ward	Reason for By-election
Luapula	Kawambwa	Kawambwa	Lushiba	Resignation of Councilor Shadreck Mubanga of UPND on 25 th March, 2024.
Muchinga	Kanchibiya	Kanchibiya	Chinama	Resignation of Councillor Teddy Mulenga an Independent on 16 th April, 2024.
Muchinga	Nakonde	Nakonde	Luchinde	Resignation of Councillor Morris Sikaonga of PF on 26 th April, 2024.
Muchinga	Nakonde	Nakonde	Mulalo	Resignation of Councillor Willard Simutanda of PF on 26 th April, 2024.
North-Western	Mufumbwe	Mufumbwe	Kaminzekezeke	Resignation of Councillor Mutukwa Dianos, of UPND on 25 th March, 2024.
Southern	Chirundu	Chirundu	Njame	Resignation of Councillor Park Hazibwene, of UPND on 18 th March, 2024.
Southern	Choma	Choma Central	Mubula	Death of Councillor Navy Moonga of UPND on 17 th April, 2024.
Western	Sikongo	Sikongo	Liumena	Resignation of Councillor Noanga Kabeto, of PF on 1 st May, 2024.
Western	Sikongo	Sikongo	Mwenyi	Resignation of Councillor Muti Muti, of PF on 1 st May, 2024.

For any clarification, please contact the Corporate Affairs Department on 0211 252208 or the District Electoral Officers in the respective districts.



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