

ORPP reflects on party agents training in a series of post-election evaluation

The Office of the Registrar of Political Parties held an assessment of training of political party agents for 2022 elections on 29th November 2022 at Maanzoni hotel in Machakos county.

Discussions held were on review of the Agent's Training Strategy touching on the training curriculum, strategies & planning, and effectiveness of training. Deliberations revolved around the election day activities, deployment of agents, and types of response mechanisms. The participants came up with considerations that could improve the election preparedness by ORPP in the upcoming by-elections.

ducting training activities across the country during electioneering period?" said CPA Florence Birya, Assistant Registrar of Political Parties during the opening remarks.



Participants in group discussion



Assistant Registrar of Political Parties, CPA Florence Birya during the opening remarks .

“At the end of this session, we should be able to know what needs to be reviewed on the guidelines of Political Parties’ agent training manual, what gaps have we noted and why is not effective on the last minute of elections despite con-

During the session, participants worked in groups each discussing three agenda of the programme; Group 1 tackling Agents Training Strategy touching on review of training manuals and curriculum; practicality and frameworks of agents training and assessing the effectiveness of Agents training. Each was to provide the pros and cons of the party agents training.

The deliberation resolved the need to review guideline manuals for agents training, summon strategies, coordination and logistics as some of the way to improve the election preparedness by ORPP in the upcoming by-elections.

Stakeholders convened in a multi-agency poll evaluation

ORPP continued its commitment to seek feedback on its undertakings. To provide an avenue for structured feedback by varied stakeholders, ORPP hosted a multi-agency dialogue forum that runs from the 14th to 17th November 2022 in Machakos to reflect on its milestones and initiatives in the last polls for continual improvement.

The Registrar while speaking at the start of the forum, appreciated stakeholders for their support and collaboration, a positive factor in the realization of ORPP's successes in the last general election. "This election evaluation exercise will help us identify the gaps and the possible areas of linkages and improvement going forward", said the Registrar while highlighting the raft of reforms undertaken.



Registrar of Political Parties address stakeholders who attended the forum on 15th November 2022 in Machakos.

Other key speakers called for further legal review and increased stakeholder engagements to fit some challenges faced during the electoral cycle. In the meeting, ORPP highlighted its reflection on the polls including critical statistics of Special Interest Groups' participation, and received a view of focus group discussions held, all key in shaping Office policy and strategic outlook.

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Go for elective positions, Registrar tells SIGs

Call for enhanced advocacy for better representation of the Special Interest Groups (SIGs) in the election was said to be key in addressing shortfalls of SIGs' optimal participation in elective politics. This came to the fore today during ELOG's convened post 2022 general symposium.

Speaking in the forum, Registrar of Political Parties, Ann Nderitu appreciated gains such as legal provisions for inclusion of SIGs in the governing bodies of political parties. "Going forward, ORPP will initiate civic engagements activities in order to achieve as part of recalibrating change in society", Registrar noted. Kenya's patriarchal culture and high social capital in the political contest were identified as pertinent factors for women's exclusion in elective positions and politics.



Registrar address Special Interest Group (SIGs) held on 2nd December, 2022 in Nairobi.

The deliberations were preceded by launch of the Electoral Observation Report which provides insights of SIGs participation in the August, 2022 general election.

Other ORPP moments of the month in brief

ORPP preside over PPLC peaceful polls

ORPP presided over the elections of the National Steering Committee under the Political Parties Liaison Committee of Kenya. The election was conducted by Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) led by Machakos County Elections Manager, Machakos County on 8th November 2022. Elected to the National Steering Committee were: Evans Misati (Chairperson), Christopher Kilonzo (Deputy Chairperson), Taabu O.W. Daniels (Secretary); Gerry Owiti (Treasurer); Cinderella Nekesa (Deputy Treasurer); Sellah Atieno Opiyo (Deputy Secretary); Andrew Njoroge (Organising Secretary) and Isaiah Ndirangu (Deputy, Organising Secretary).



Preparation for elections of National Steering Committee of Kenya on 8th November 2022 at Machakos county.



Contestants of the National Steering Committee introduce themselves ahead of PPLC elections.

Elected as members of the Committee that considered gender parity (4 male, 4 female) requirements were: Mwerere M. Wamwachai; Ruth Gichovi, Phillippe O. Sadja, Justus Wambutura, Shem Ocharo, Zahra Rashid, Margaret Ndanyi and Moses Gachugi.

Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy pay a courtesy visit to ORPP

Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy (NIMD) paid a courtesy visit to the Registrar of political Parties at her office on 9th November 2022 on a friendly study visit.



Officials of the Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy (NIMD) at the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties on 9th November 2022

The Registrar of Political Parties led discussions on civic and political awareness programmes and support of special interest groups in political parties were some areas of possible areas of collaboration coalesced.

Women in last polls draw psycho-social support from ORPP

A post-2022 general election reflection forum for women in political leadership was held in Nairobi on 10th November 2022. ORPP was deliberate in identifying bottlenecks and championing the necessary support to enhance the participation and inclusion of women in politics.



Registrar gives her speech during post 2022 general election reflection for women in leadership forum on 10th November at Jacaranda hotels, Westlands.

"This occasion indicates our aim to help you position yourselves the best way possible to attain more elective positions." said the Registrar of Political Parties, Ann Nderitu while presiding over the Nairobi women candidates forum.



Some of the participants at the post general election reflection for women in leadership forum

Lack of political ideologies, financial constraints, gender insensitivity, lack of structured campaigns, and inadequate support by political parties were identified as some of the key challenges facing women aspirants/candidates in the last polls.

The meeting brought together women aspirants who lost in the last elections.

Behavior change key in reforming Kenyan politics, stakeholders told

Time is rife to uphold National Values and Principles of good governance in politics. In her keynote address during a multi-agency election review meeting on 10th and 11th November 2022 in Nairobi the Registrar of Political Parties, Ann Nderitu called for the citizenry's positive behavior change as a way of the ways of reforming the country's political sphere. "We must collectively curb electoral malpractices to restore political decency", said the Registrar and highlighted ORPP's milestones in the last elections including legal and ICT reforms, election monitoring among others.



Registrar speaking during a panelist discussion on 11th November 2022 in Nairobi

The meeting convened by Centre For Multiparty Democracy comprised of state and non-state actors involved in the 2022 general election monitoring. Kofi Annan Foundation United Nations Democracy Fund (UNDEF).

PICTURE SPEAK



The We Alliance Party (TWAP) receive certificate of provisional registration on 2nd December 2022 at ORPP's boardroom 4th floor headquarters.



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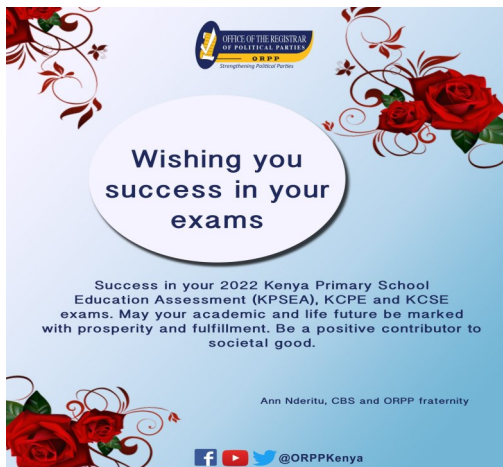


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1,2 & 3; ORPP team a CSR activity to grade 6 and class 8 pupils of Kirirri primary school on 24th November 2022. The team also psyched pupils ahead of their national exams.



Wishes of ORPP to KPSEA, KCPE and KCSE 2022 candidates

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The end!