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ELECTORAL CALENDAR FOR 2010 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

	Electoral Activities	Implementation Framework	Timelines
1	Preparing electoral calendar	Consultative meetings on electoral calendar	March-April 2009
2	Preparing electoral budget and mobilizing funds	Preparation of electoral budget	January 2009
		Meeting with donors (national and international)	January-June 2009
		Submitting budget proposal to government for 2009-2010	April-May 2009
3	Planning, procurement and distribution of election materials	Making inventory of election materials to be procured	April -May 2009 January 2010
		Procuring election materials	August 2009 June 2010
		Distribution of election materials to Polling Centers	01-08/08/2010
4	Amendment and enactment of electoral law	<i>Drafting of an Electoral Code</i>	<i>January –April 2009</i>
		<i>Consultative meetings with other election stakeholders on the Draft Electoral Code</i>	<i>April-May 2009</i>
		<i>Publication of Electoral Code</i>	<i>February 2010</i>
5	Updating Voters'List in Rwanda and in the Diaspora	Earmarking sites for cleaning up Voters'List	April-May 2009 March-June 2010
		Recruitment and training of staff to update Voters'List at Districts level	May-June 2009
		Transport of equipment necessary to update Voters'List in Districts	August 2009
		Approval of regulations governing updating and cleaning up of the Voters'List	August 2009 January 2010
		Conducting training of all staff recruited to update the Voters'List in Villages and Embassies	July 2009-February 2010
		<i>Updating of Voters'List in all Villages/ Embassies and distribution of voter cards (first and second phase).</i>	<i>August –September 2009</i>
			<i>March –April 2010</i>

		<i>Updating the provisional Voters'List at Villages/Embassies and Distribution of Voters cards (third phase).</i>	<i>June 2010</i>
		<i>Publication of the provisional Voters'List at National Level</i>	<i>07/07/2010</i>
		<i>Cleaning the provisional Voters'List at national level</i>	<i>08-21/07/2010</i>
		<i>Publication of the final Voters'List at national level</i>	<i>23/07/2010</i>
6	Earmarking and approval of electoral staff at Provinces/Kigali City, Districts, Sectors and Polling stations.	<i>Evaluation of electoral staff performance at all levels</i>	<i>October 2009 November 2009 March-May 2010</i>
		Appointment of election coordinators at Sectors and Embassies level	December 2009
		Recruitment of Polling agents at Polling stations and Embassies	June 2010
7	Conducting Civic and Voter Education programs	Civic Education training for Election staff at national, provincial and Kigali City Committees, Executive Committees at District levels	January 2010 March 2010 July 2010
		Training at District levels for Local government Authorities, District Councils, Executive Committees at Sector levels and Technical staff	February 2010 July 2010
		<i>Training of elections coordinators and polling staff on the electoral law and regulations</i>	<i>May 2009 August 2009 March 2010 July 2010</i>
		Training on Civic and Voter education at provincial/Kigali City and District for specific categories including: Women, Youth, Teachers, Students on holidays, Private entrepreneurs, Journalists, Election observers, Religious and Political Parties Representatives.	May 2009-July 2010
		Training of Women and Youth Councils at Sector and Cell levels	June 2009-June 2010
		<i>Civic and Voter education training programmes for the general public</i>	<i>February 2009 August 2010</i>
8	Publication of Electoral and Campaigns Days through a Presidential Decree	Official publication of Presidential Decree setting the Polling Date and Period of Election Campaigns in the National Gazette	26/10/2009
		Press-conferences on Presidential electoral process.	February 2010 June -August 2010
9	Consultative meetings on electoral preparations	Radio and Television Programmes	June-December 2009 April 2010

			June-August 2010
		Meetings with specific categories (Women, Youth, Disabled)	July - August 2010
		Announcement of dates to submit candidatures for President of Republic position	07/06-05/07/2010
10	Reception and approval of Presidential candidates	<i>Nomination of Presidential Candidates</i>	24/06-02/07/2010
		<i>Declaration of the final list of candidates as approved by NEC</i>	07/07/2010
11	Printing of ballot papers	Design and Printing of ballot papers	09/07-05/08/2010
12	Electoral campaigns of candidates	<i>Follow up on electoral campaigns of candidates</i>	20/07-08/08/2010
13	Earmarking, publication and preparation of Polling Centers and Stations	Earmarking Polling Centers and Stations, approval and publication	01/05-09/08/2010
		Preparation of Polling Centers and Polling Stations	06-08/08/2010
14	Invitation and accreditation election observers	<i>Invitation of election observers</i>	14/06-20/07/2010
		<i>Accreditation of Local and International election observers</i>	15/06-06/08/2010
15	Supervision of Presidential polls	Presidential polls	09/08/2010
16	Counting of votes, consolidation and publication of provisional results	Counting votes and consolidation of results at polling centers and preparing a report	09/08/2010
		Consolidation of election results at District level and submission of report to national level	09-10/08/2010
		<i>Preparation of election report at national level and declaration of provisional results</i>	not later than 11/08/2010
		Declaration of final Presidential elections results	Not later than 17/08/2010

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