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KOËS, AROAB, STAMPRIET LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND MARIENTAL RURAL CONSTITUENCY ELECTIONS

The Electoral Commission of Namibia (ECN) herewith informs the Namibian public and the electorate that the election re-run for the Koës, Aroab, Stampriet Local Authorities and Mariental Rural Constituency will take place on Friday, 26th February 2021.

The logistical preparations for the holding of elections in the aforementioned localities and constituency are on course. Twenty-one (21) polling stations will be used for this exercise, nine (9) fixed and twelve (mobile) stations. The recruitment of polling officials for Koës, Aroab and Stampriet Local Authorities as well as Mariental Rural Constituency has been finalized and training of election officials, party agents and police officers is scheduled to take place from 20^{th} – 24^{th} February 2021.

The Commission will be overseeing the dispatching of all election materials to the regions from 19th February 2021. All voting material and equipment to be used in the elections will be escorted by the Namibian police and kept in the safe custody at designated police station before and after the polling process. The ECN has already secured sufficient vehicles for the forthcoming elections.

Furthermore, voter education activities in the three (3) localities and one (1) constituency have commenced to ensure that that voters are fully aware of all the processes and procedures of the upcoming electoral process.

The polling teams will be deployed on **Thursday**, 25th **February 2021** to their various polling stations to ensure that the set-up and other logistical preparations at polling stations are finalized before election day.

The political parties and Independent candidate contesting the elections as per the nominations of candidates that was conducted from 29^{th} September – 16^{th} October 2020 are as follows:

Aroab	Koës	Stampriet	Mariental Rural Constituency
Landless People's	Independent Patriots	Landless People's	Mr. Desmond Dawid
Movement (LPM)	for Change (IPC)	Movement (LPM)	Tjipanga (Independent Candidate)
Namibian Economic Freedom Fighters	Landless People's Movement (LPM)	Popular Democratic Movement (PDM)	Landless People's Movement (LPM)
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