



National Electoral Commission (NEC)

OAU Drive, Tower Hill, Freetown



PRESS RELEASE

DECLARATION OF DATE FOR THE CONDUCT OF LOCAL COUNCIL BYE ELECTION IN WARD 099, KOIDU NEW SEMBEHUN CITY COUNCIL, KONO DISTRICT, ON SATURDAY, 22nd JUNE 2019.

1. In exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 33 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991(Act No. 6 of 1991); and pursuant to provisions of Sections 69(1) and 70 (1) of the Public Elections Act, 2012 (Act No. 4 of 2004) and Section 10 of the Local Government Act 2004 (Act No. 1 of 2004), the National Electoral Commission makes the following proclamation:
2. **Saturday 22nd day of June 2019** is hereby declared as the day for the conduct of Local Council Bye Election in **Ward 099, Constituency 030, Koidu New Sembehun City in the Kono District.**
3. According to a letter from the Director of Local Government and Rural Development, dated 14th March 2019 and the Mayor of the Koidu New Sembehun City Council, **dated 18th February 2019**, the vacancy occurred as a result of long absence of **Councillor Adama Jalloh from meetings without any reason given to the Mayor of the Koidu New Sembehun City Council pursuant to Section 9(1)(d) of the 2004 Local Government Act.**
4. Nominations of Candidates for the said Local Council Bye Election shall take place from **Wednesday, 22nd– Thursday, 23rd May 2019** at the **NEC District Office, No. 8 Gandi Fania Street, Koidu, Kono District.**

5. In accordance with Statutory Instrument No. 13 of 2012, the candidates's nomination fee for the said Local Council Bye Election is **ONE MILLION LEONES ONLY(Le. 1,000,000.00)** per Candidate, payable to the District Returning Officer at the above mentioned address.
6. Qualifications and disqualifications of Councillors are found in Section 6 of the aforementioned Local Government Act, 2004.
7. Other details for the nomination and conduct of the said bye elections shall be published by the National Electoral Commission in due course.

Dated this 23rd day of April, 2019.

Signed:



**Mohamed N'fah- Alie Conteh
Chief Electoral Commissioner/ Chairman
National Returning Officer
National Electoral Commission**