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Executive Summary

The Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC) is an Election Management Body established in terms of Section 238 of the Constitution of Zimbabwe. Its main function is to prepare for, conduct and supervise all elections and referendums in Zimbabwe. The year under review saw the successful conduct of the Harmonized Elections, by-elections and the conclusion of the delimitation exercise in terms of the Constitution of Zimbabwe. In addition, all vacant proportional representation seats in the National Assembly and local authorities were filled in terms of the law. The Commission was allocated ZWL\$896 billion to support the electoral processes of which ZWL\$664 billion (74%) was accessed.

With a full complement of Commissioners, 2023 saw the Commission meeting six (6) times in line with the provisions of the law. In addition, the Commission recruited sixty-six (66) new employees, with 40% being females and 60% being males.

Whilst maximizing on fourteen (14) languages out of sixteen (16) which are enshrined in the Constitution, the Commission made use of various methods and media platforms to provide electoral related information to the masses. Voter registration played a pivotal role in as far as inclusion is concerned within the electoral process. With regards to voter registration, 2023 saw a total number of 705243 voters being registered of which 330979 were male and 374264 were female.

The Commission conducted an annual stock-take in terms of the Public Finance Management Act [Chapter 22:19]. In accordance with section 92(2) of Public Procurement and Disposal Assets Act [Chapter 22:23]. the Commission also disposed obsolete assets and equipment which included vehicles and furniture among other things and realized a total amount of USD168000. The Commission also conducted renovations at its head office, provincial, district offices as well as warehouses.

Finally, during the year under review, the Commission participated at various international events. These events are important for knowledge sharing and benchmarking of electoral standards .



Chairperson's

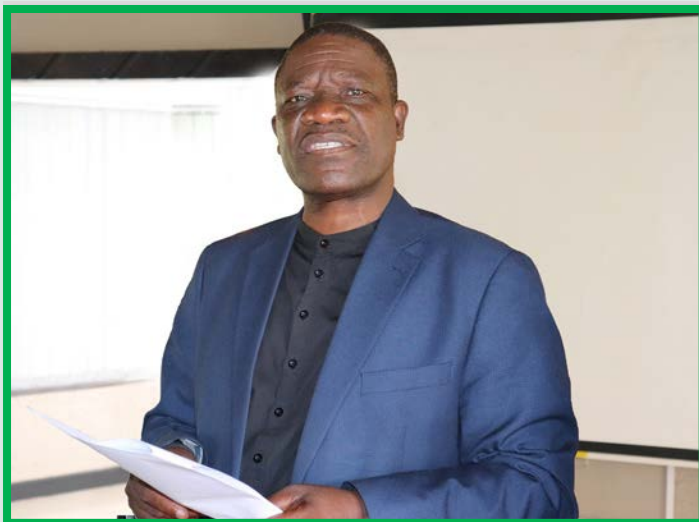
Foreword

The Zimbabwe Electoral Commission is pleased to submit its annual report for the year 2023 in terms of section 323 of the Constitution of Zimbabwe as read with section 13(2) of the Electoral Act [Chapter 2:13]. This report covers the conclusion of the delimitation exercise as well as the conduct of the 2023 Harmonised Elections. The report also gives a summary of by-elections conducted across the country and other activities by the Commission.

The Commission was able to fulfil all its statutory functions and met six (6) times in line with its corporate governance expectations outlined in the relevant law. This was despite the various challenges and demands from its other constitutional mandates during the year under review.

With regards to international engagement, the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission participated at different fora which included election observation in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), ECF SADC 25th Annual General Conference held in South Africa as well as various other meetings related to that body. The Commission also participated in staff development courses on election management and conflict resolution in Russia, Japan and South Africa.

The Commission expresses its profound gratitude to the Government of Zimbabwe and other stakeholders for all the support rendered during the year under review. Last but not least, the Commission expresses its gratitude to the entire staff for the commitment and dedication to duty during this difficult period



C.E.O's

Remarks

The year 2023 shall go down as the most hectic in the history of the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission. This is due to the fact that the Commission was faced with the requirement of discharging two (2) equally challenging electoral tasks in terms of the Constitution over a period of two years, that is, 2022 and 2023. During the prior year, and up to the first quarter of 2023, the Commission was preoccupied by the mandate of delimiting electoral boundaries following the conduct of a population census in line with provisions of section 161 of the Constitution of Zimbabwe.

In 2023, the Commission was again called upon in terms of section 239 to conduct the Harmonised elections. Notwithstanding this fact, I am pleased to announce the fact that the Commission was equal to the tasks at hand as these were discharged in line with its constitutional mandate. Let me on behalf of the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission express my sincere gratitude to all stakeholders who assisted in one way or the other to ensure the successful completion of these important tasks. The Commission also wishes to express its profound gratitude to the state for availing the necessary resources which enabled the Commission to fulfil its mandate.

It is my sincere hope and belief that this trend shall continue in the future as has been always and as the Commission continues to deal with issues arising from its mandate. I also wish to take this opportunity to assure the nation of the Commission's commitment to the upholding of its constitutional values and principles.



MISSION

To conduct credible elections and referendums in Zimbabwe



VISION

To be a centre of excellence in the management of elections and referendums



VALUES

Transparency

Maintenance of an open-door policy to our stakeholders.

Independence

Maintenance of autonomy as provided for by the Constitution of Zimbabwe.

Teamwork

Working together to achieve a common goal.

Impartiality

Fair treatment of stakeholders and clients.

Integrity

Adherence to the tenets of honesty, professionalism and uprightness.

Inclusivity

Involvement of all sectors of society in electoral activities

Overall Functions of the Commission (Section 239 of the Constitution)

- a. To prepare for, conduct and supervise-
 - i) Elections to the office of the President and to Parliament;
 - ii) Elections to provincial and metropolitan councils and the governing bodies of local authorities;
 - iii) Elections of members of the National Council of Chiefs; and
 - iv) Referendums, and to ensure that those elections and referendums are conducted efficiently, freely, fairly, transparently and in accordance with law,
- b. To supervise elections of the President of Senate and the Speaker and to ensure that those elections are conducted efficiently and in accordance with the law;
- c. To register voters;
- d. To compile voter's roll and registers;
- e. To ensure the proper custody and maintenance of voter's roll and registers;
- f. To delimit constituencies, wards and other electoral boundaries;
- g. To design, print and distribute ballot papers, approve the form of and procure ballot boxes, and establish and operate polling centres;
- h. To conduct and supervise voter education;
- i. To accredit observers of elections and referendums;
- j. To give instructions to persons in the employment of the State or of a local authority for the purposes of ensuring the efficient, free, fair, proper and transparent conduct of any election or referendum; and
- k. To receive and consider complaints from the public and to take such action in regard to the complaints as it considers appropriate.

Additional functions of the Commission (Section 5 of the Electoral Act [Chapter 2:13])

In addition to the functions set out in section 239 of the Constitution, the commission is responsible for:

- Undertaking and promoting research into electoral matters; and
- Developing expertise and the use of technology in regard to electoral processes; and
- Promoting co-operation between the Government, political parties and civil society in regard to elections; and
- Keeping the public informed about the times and places where persons can register as voters and the progress of the voter registration exercise, and
- The delimitation of wards, constituencies and other electoral boundaries; and
- The location and boundaries of polling stations and when they are open; and
- Voters' roll and the times and places at which they are open for inspection; and
- Political parties and candidates contesting every election; and
- Voting; and
- Generally, all matters relating to the Commission's work and the electoral process; and
- Ensuring that gender is mainstreamed into electoral processes; and
- Making recommendations to Parliament on appropriate ways to provide public financing for political parties.

Governance of the Commission

The Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC) is established in terms of Section 238 of the Constitution of Zimbabwe. It consists of a Chairperson, who, by operation of the law, should be a Judge or former Judge or a person qualified to be appointed as such, appointed by the President after consultation with the Judicial Service Commission and the Committee on Standing Rules and Orders, and eight (8) other members, appointed by the President from a list of nominees submitted by the Committee on Standing Rules and Orders. During the year under review, the following were members of the Commission:-



Hon Justice Priscilla Makanyara Chigumba

CHAIRPERSON



Ambassador Rodney S. Kiwa

DEPUTY

CHAIRPERSON



Mr. Jasper Mangwana

COMMISSIONER



Mrs Abigail M. Ambrose

COMMISSIONER



Ms Cathrine Mpofu

COMMISSIONER



Dr. Jane M. Nzvenga

COMMISSIONER



Dr Kudzai Shava

COMMISSIONER



Mrs Rosewita Murutare

COMMISSIONER



Mr Shepherd Manhivi

COMMISSIONER



Mr Utloile Silaigwana

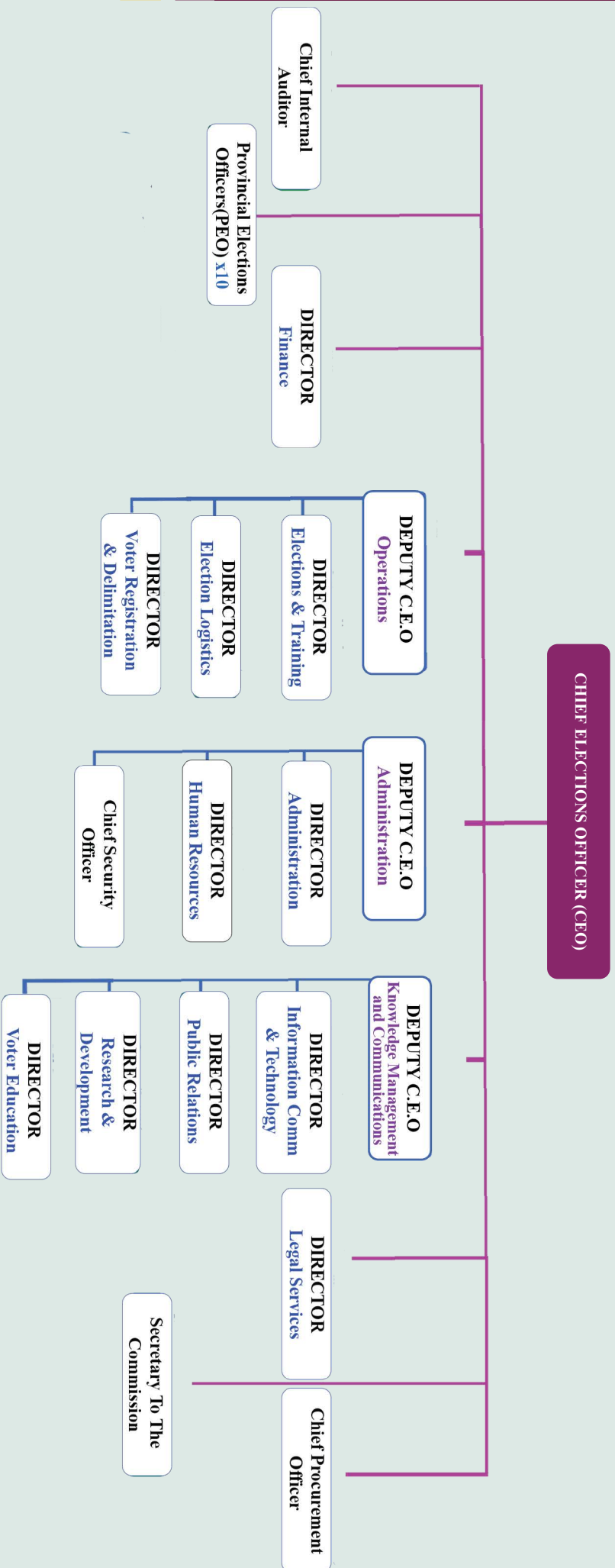
**CHIEF ELECTIONS
OFFICER**

Staff of the Commission

The Commission is serviced by a full time Secretariat headed by the Chief Elections Officer. It is empowered by the Electoral Act (Chapter 2:13) to employ other staff in addition to the Chief Elections Officer. The Secretariat comprises full time employees in the following Divisions:

- i) Operations
- ii) Administration; and
- iii) Knowledge Management and Communication

These Divisions are replicated, albeit at smaller scale, at Provincial and District levels. Under these divisions are various Departments ,each dealing with specific issues such as Elections and Training, Voter Education, Voter Registration and Delimitation, Election Logistics, Administration, Human Resources, Information Communication Technology, Finance, and Research and Development, Public Relations. The Commission also has Legal, Procurement, Internal Audit and Security which offer support to the institutions. The Commission is decentralized into 10 Provinces and 68 Districts



Programmes of the Commission

The Commission has two (2) Programmes in line with Programme based Budgeting (PBB). Each Programme has sub-programmes as below:

Programme 1: Governance and Administration

Strategic Goal: Improved corporate governance and effective administration

Sub-Programmes:

1. Commission and Chief Executive Office
2. Finance
3. Human Resources
4. Administration
5. Audit, Security and Legal
6. ICT, Public Relations and Knowledge Management
7. Provinces and Districts

Programme 2: Election Management

Strategic Goal: Increased public confidence in Electoral processes.

Sub-Programmes:

1. Voter Registration and Delimitation
2. Polling

FINANCE

Budget Performance

In 2023 the Commission successfully conducted the voter registration and inspection exercises, delimitation of electoral boundaries and the actual conduct of the harmonised general elections. These deliverables were in line with its constitutional mandate and strategic priorities and conformed to the National Development Strategy (NDS) 1. Further, in line with sections 322 and 325 of the Constitution which provide for Parliament and government to ensure that adequate funds are appropriated to enable effective performance of the Commission's functions, a total of ZWL\$896 billion was allocated to support the electoral processes of which ZWL\$664 billion (74%) was accessed. However, this forced the Commission to carry forward to the next financial year outstanding payments on election allowances and suppliers of goods and services among other things. At the time of compilation of this report treasury was seized with the matter to clear outstanding payments.

Challenges

The Commission faced some of the following challenges related to the performance of its mandate during the year under review

- the instability of the exchange rate which weakened the purchasing power of the allocated financial resources.
- the need for advance payments by suppliers of goods and services affected timeous procurement of goods and services thus derailing timely support for the election activities. Some service providers declined to provide their service where there was no advance payment which in some cases, resulted in delayed deployment of election material.
- delays in funding of election activities resulting in accrued expenditure.

It is recommended that in future payments to service providers be prioritised to avoid disruption of service during critical electoral activities. Further, there is need for timeous availing of financial resources during election activities to avoid prejudicing stakeholders.

PROGRAMME 1 ACTIVITIES

Corporate Governance Issues

Meetings of the Commission

- ♦ The law provides that the Commission must meet a minimum six (6) times during any given year.
- ♦ During the year under review, the Commission met six (6) times in line with the said legal requirements

ZEC Secretariat Staff Establishment

ZEC has an establishment of six hundred and eighty (**680**) posts. Of these, five hundred and fifty four (**554**) posts are filled. In addition, there are fifty-eight (**58**) ZRP Special Constabularies seconded to ZEC for security duties.

Staff Profile

Employee Age and Gender Profiles

Table 1 below shows the age profile for the Secretariat staff: -

Table 1: Distribution of ZEC Employees by age and sex

AGE GROUP	MALES	FEMALES	TOTALS	
			Number	%age
18-19	0	0	0	-
20-24	5	0	5	1%
25-29	27	37	64	12%
30-34	40	30	70	13%
35-39	28	29	57	10%
40-44	50	37	87	16%
45-49	37	40	77	14%
50-54	24	45	69	12%
55-59	22	36	58	10%
60-64	12	39	51	9%
65-69	4	12	20	3%
70+	0	0	0	-
TOTALS	249	305	554	100%

Thirty two percent(32%) of ZEC top management (i.e. Grade 1 to Grade 3a) are women and overall 45% of ZEC employees are women.

Appointments

The Commission recruited sixty-six (**66**) new employees during the year under review. Of those recruited 40% are females and 60% are males. All posts were advertised internally first and then externally where suitable and qualified internal candidates were not identified. However, nine offers were rejected due to unattractive salary packages

In addition during the year under review, the Commission recruited about one hundred and fifty thousand (**150, 000**) seconded staff from eligible institutions in line with provisions of Section 10 of the Electoral Act [Chapter 2:13] for purposes supporting the management of electoral activities.

Terminations

A total of thirty-nine (39) employees terminated employment with the Commission as tabulated below. Therefore, the staff attrition rate was 7% as at 31 December 2023.

Table 2: Employee exit for ZEC

	Reason	Number	Grade
1.	Death	1	Grade 5 x 1
2.	Discharge	6	Grade 5 x 1 Grade 8 x 3 Grade 10 x 2
3.	Resignation	11	Grade 6 x 2 Grade 7 x 1 Grade 8 x 4 Grade 9 x 1 Grade 10 x 1 Grade 13 x 2
4.	Retirement	20	Grade 3a x 2 Grade 5 x 5 Grade 6 x 2 Grade 8 x 5 Grade 12 x 4 Grade 13 x 2
5.	Transfer to other Govt. Dept.	1	Grade 10
	Totals	39	

The number of retirees is high as it depicts statistics for two years (i.e. 2022 & 2023). The Commission deferred some retirements to December 2023 in order to utilize the services of the affected experienced employees for the 2023 Harmonized elections.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

The Commission increased the internet bandwidth to a total of 100mbps and hosted services (PFMS, and RBZ PORTAL) a dedicated 10mbps, slightly improving the network performance. The VPN connectivity to District offices was increased from 1mbps to 10 mbps. Voice over internet protocol VoIP was implemented at Head office call Centre and successfully tested across all Commission offices and now pending a National roll out.

The Unstructured Supplementary Service Data (USSD) code *265# is currently available to the NetOne and Econet Subscribers and available to Telecel subscribers with 2G and below handsets for inspection of voter registration details. Efforts are still underway to accommodate all Telecel Subscribers.

In the year under review, the Electoral Act was amended to align with Constitutional provisions on the youth quota and local authority youth quota which were introduced through the Constitutional Amendment No: 2 Act of 2021. However the amendments could not be used in August 2023 Harmonized Elections. Below is a summary of the amendments. The Commission will propose additional amendments after conducting post-election reviews for the 2023 Harmonized election.

Introduction of definition :“Disqualifying Offence”

The Act introduces a definition of “disqualifying offence”. Currently under section 129(1)(i) of the Constitution one would be disqualified from continuing as a member of Parliament if he or she is convicted of an offence of which breach of trust, dishonesty or physical violence is an essential element. The Act thus seeks to ensure that any such person who would be disqualified from continuing as an Member of Parliament (MP) for committing such an offence should not also be allowed to stand as a candidate for election. The provision would also apply to persons seeking election in local authorities because the provisions that disqualify one from being an MP also disqualify a person from being a councillor. Thus, for one to be accepted as a candidate he or she will be required to make a solemn declaration in a nomination form or by means of an attached affidavit, that he or she is not a convicted of a disqualifying offence (or has received a pardon for such offence).

Making a false declaration in a nomination paper or affidavit that one has not been convicted of a disqualifying offence or that one was pardoned of such an offence shall constitute a criminal offence.

Note: for one to be disqualified one must have committed the offence within the period of 12 months before date of nomination and sentenced to imprisonment for a period of six months or more without the option of a fine or without the option of any other non-custodial sentence.

Amendment of Section 21 of the Act on inspection of the Voters roll.

Subsection (2) of section 21 of the Electoral Act was amended to allow a person inspecting the voters roll to, without removing the voters roll, take a photograph or make a copy of the roll or any part of it. Previously one was only permitted to make written notes of anything contained in it.

Further, subsections (3), (4) and (6) of section 21 were amended by the deletion of “within a reasonable time” and the substitution of “within five working days” thus compelling the Commission to make the voters roll available within five working days from the day a person requests it, or after the election is called for or after the nomination day as the case may be.

Amendment of section 45B

The amendment replaces the definition of “party-list seat” so as to include the youth and local council women’s seats in conformity with the Constitutional Amendment No. 2 which introduced the youth quota in the National Assembly and the 30% women’s quota in local councils.

Amendment of section 45C

This amendment replaces 45C(4) of the Electoral Act so as to include the allocation of 1 youth seat to every electoral province.

The clause also introduces subsections (7) and (8) which states that for every local authority there shall be elected by indirect proportional representation a 30% Women Quota calculated as follows:

$$\frac{30 \times \text{Number of wards in local authority concerned}}{100}$$

Note: any fraction of less than half being rounded downwards to the nearest integer and any fraction of a half or more being rounded upwards to the nearest integer

Note further: The formula prescribed in the Eighth Schedule for the election of party-list candidates is calculated on the basis of the total number of valid votes cast for all the candidates in the local authority concerned, **excluding any valid votes cast for such candidates.**

- (a) not belonging to any political party; and
- (b) belonging to any political party which has opted not to field any party-list candidates for the local authority concerned.

Amendment of section 45D

This amendment clarifies the position that if one is nominated for election in any other election then their nomination on the youth party list or the women’s local authority party-list is void i.e. where a candidate is nominated more than once all the nominations of the person as a party-list candidate shall be void.

Amendment of section 45E

Section 45E is amended in subsection (1)(b) by requiring political parties to submit 5 party lists to the nomination officer. The party lists shall be for:

- a. The Senate;
- b. National Assembly Women's Quota;
- c. National Assembly Youth's Quota; and
- d. Provincial Council.

30% Women's quota for the local authority concerned

Amendment of section 46 on Nomination of Candidates

The nomination form must now contain space for a declaration or, if no such space is available, shall be accompanied by an affidavit to the effect that the would-be candidate has not been convicted of a disqualifying offence (or, if so convicted, has been pardoned by the President or by virtue of an Act of Parliament). A candidate shall not be regarded as duly nominated for election if he or she has been convicted of a disqualifying offence without being pardoned therefore (see new insertion in 46(15)(d1))

Further, any person who as a candidate, makes a false declaration in a nomination paper or in an affidavit accompanying such nomination paper that he or she is has not been convicted of a disqualifying offence or has received a pardon therefore shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine or to imprisonment or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Amendment of section 47 on nomination fees

The section was amended by the insertion of subsection (2) which provides that the "nomination fee shall neither be exorbitant nor inhibitive but reasonable enough to allow an eligible citizen to stand for election for public office".

Amendment of section 119 on qualifications and disqualifications for election as a councillor

The section was amended so as to include that a person is disqualified from being nominated as councillor if he or she has been convicted of a disqualifying offence for which he or she has not received a pardon.

Withdrawal of Candidate

In order to afford sufficient time for ZEC to make changes to the design of the ballot and to advise the electorate of any changes to the candidature of that election, sections 49 and 126 of the Electoral Act were amended so that they are aligned to section 107(1) of the principal Act which provides that withdrawals by candidates must be made at any time before twenty-one days from polling day.

Amendment of section 169 on Service of a petition on a respondent

The section was amended and replaced by a new section which provides that apart from service of an election petition on a respondent (respondent being the President, or a Member of Parliament or a Councilor whose election or qualification for holding office is complained of) if an election petition complains of an act or omission on the part of the Commission or any employee or agent of the Commission or any public officer, the petitioner shall cause the petition and other documents to be served also on—

- (a) the Commission; and
- (b) the employee, agent or public officer.

Where an election petition and other documents have been served on a person referred to in subsection (2), that person shall have the same rights and responsibilities in regard to the petition as the respondent.

Amendment of Eighth Schedule

The amendment provides an example of how the 30% women's quota in local authorities shall be calculated.

DELIMITATION

The Zimbabwe Electoral Commission concluded the delimitation exercise in terms of the provisions of the 2013 Constitution of Zimbabwe. This was the first delimitation exercise to be conducted using the 2013 Constitution. The last delimitation exercise was done in 2008. The Delimitation Report was gazetted by the President of the Republic of Zimbabwe on the 20th of February 2023. The delimitation exercise created 210 constituencies as prescribed in the Constitution and 1970 wards.



Photo 1



Photo 2

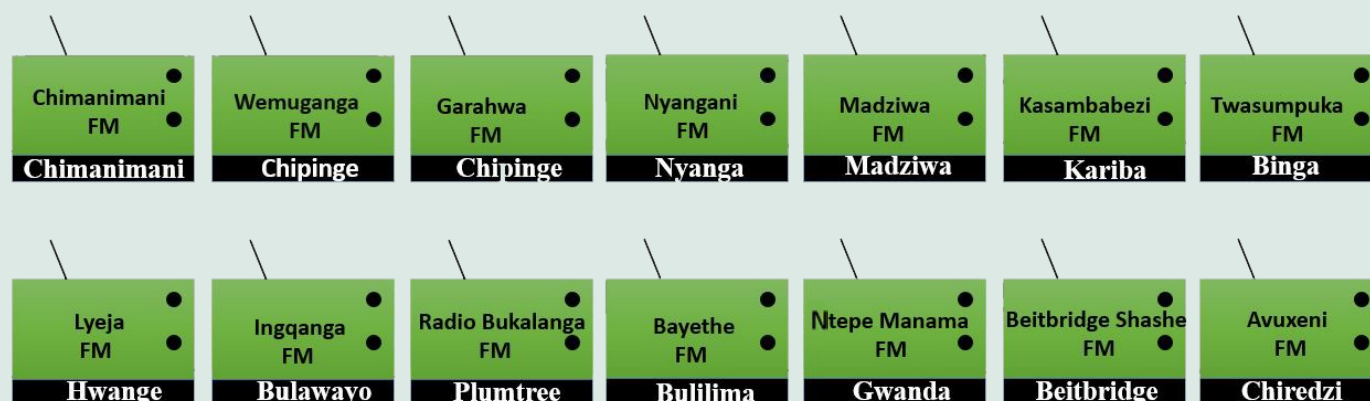
Photo 1 and 2: ZEC Chairperson Justice Chigumba, Deputy Chairperson Commissioner Kiwa and ZEC team submits The Delimitation Report to the President of the Republic of Zimbabwe, His Excellency Dr E.D Munangagwa

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND PUBLICITY PROGRAMMES

In the year 2023, the Commission employed various media platforms and initiatives to provide electoral related information to the public in the following languages: Chewa, Chibarwe(Sena), English, Kalanga, Nambya, Ndau, Ndebele, Shangani, Shona , Sotho, Tonga, Tswana, Venda and Xhosa.

Radio and TV Programmes

ZEC produced **70** TV and radio advertisements that were running on Classic 263, Breeze FM, YaFM, Diamond FM, Hevoi FM, Platinum FM, Radio Zimbabwe, the national TV as well as the following community radio stations:



Billboards

The Commission erected **40** billboards across the country, **4** in each province targeting motorists and locals. These conveyed messages on peaceful elections and inclusive participation in electoral activities.

Flipcharts

The Commission utilised A1 and A3 flipcharts for the 2023 Harmonised Elections. The flipcharts carried comprehensive information on the various electoral processes in the 2023 Harmonised elections

Road shows

ZEC conducted **20** road shows across the country with the support of UNDP.

Exhibitions

The Commission exhibited at the Zimbabwe International Trade Fair under the theme “Continuous Innovation for Credible Elections”. However, the Commission could not exhibit at Zimbabwe Agricultural Show because they coincided with preparations for the 2023 Harmonized Elections.

ZEC Website

The full migration from the old website to a new website compatible with mobile phones was completed. The website is now fully functional and more than 100000 users visited it during the year under review.

ZEC Social Media Accounts

ZEC Facebook and X accounts were regularly updated and all followers were fully engaged. By year end, the number of X followers had risen to **263, 400** from **197, 400** recorded in 2022.

Multiparty Liaison Committees

The Commission launched the National Multiparty Liaison Committee on 04 April 2023 in preparation for the 23-24 August 2023 Harmonized Elections. Multiparty liaison committee meetings were held at national, provincial, district and constituency levels.

Radio jingles

The Commission utilised jingles and skits to convey electoral messages to the electorate.

Call Centre

ZEC established a call centre to receive and transmit information to the electorate on various electoral processes using Econet, Netone and Telecel platforms.

Promotional materials

The Commission produced and distributed to the public promotional materials such as T-shirts, hats, bandanas, rulers, pens, branded note books, desk and wall calendars.

Accreditation of Observers and Journalists

The Commission accredited a total of **12, 512** both local and foreign observers and journalists for elections in the year under review in terms of Section 40 I of the Electoral Act [Chapter 2:13].

Observer Briefs

The Commission held the first national elections observer briefing on 08 July 2023. More than **120** accredited observers and media practitioners attended the briefing. A second briefing was held on 16 August 2023 and about **1, 200** local and foreign observers attended.

Private Voluntary Organisations (PVOs)

The Commission authorised **46** PVOs and FBOs to assist in providing voter education.

PROGRAMME 2 ACTIVITIES

VOTER REGISTRATION

Whilst voter registration is an ongoing exercise at every district and provincial offices, the Commission conducted two **(2)** national outreach mobile voter registration exercises in preparation of the 2023 Harmonised Elections. A total of **705, 243** voters registered in 2023 as shown in Table 3 and 4 below. The total number of registered voters by Province and age group as at 31 December 2023 is presented in Table 5 and figure 1

Table 3: 2023 Voter Registration Statistics per Month

Ser	Period	Female	Male	Total
1	January	25,033	24,720	49,753
2	February	37,870	34,261	72,131
3	March	283,648	243,474	527,122
4	April	5,225	5,990	11,215
5	May	15,336	15,076	30,412
6	June	5,856	6,114	11,970
7	July	737	812	1,549
8	August	222	306	528
9	September	9	6	15
10	October	44	24	68
11	November	90	35	125
12	December	194	161	355
Total Registrants		374,264	330,979	705,243
Percentage		53.07%	46.93%	100.00%

Table 4: 2023 Voter Registration Statistics by Province

Ser	Province	Female	Male	Total
1	Bulawayo Metropolitan	10,620	9,255	19,875
2	Harare Metropolitan	65,430	57,214	122,644
3	Manicaland	45,375	36,563	81,938
4	Mashonaland Central	39,543	37,176	76,719
5	Mashonaland East	49,320	45,474	94,794
6	Mashonaland West	55,025	51,091	106,116
7	Masvingo	40,783	33,680	74,463
8	Matabeleland North	15,630	13,632	29,262
9	Matabeleland South	15,059	13,122	28,181
10	Midlands	37,479	33,772	71,251
Total Registrants		374,264	330,979	705,243
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Table: 5: Distribution of registrants by age group and sex

PROVINCE	18-19	Male	Female	20-24	Male	Female	25-29	Male	Female	30-34	Male	Female	TOTAL	Male	Female
BULAWAYO	2,736	1,385	1,351	22,524	11,444	11,080	42,054	19,994	22,060	39,049	18,184	20,865	106,363	51,007	55,356
HARARE METROPOLITAN	11,835	6,485	5,350	98,601	52,244	46,357	166,325	79,406	86,919	162,683	76,500	86,183	439,444	214,635	224,809
MANICALAND	8,945	4,938	4,007	61,105	30,274	30,831	108,891	50,991	57,900	95,674	41,761	53,913	274,615	127,964	146,651
MASHONALAND CENTRAL	10,404	5,715	4,689	63,321	32,189	31,132	90,761	45,346	45,415	79,582	37,992	41,590	244,068	121,242	122,826
MASHONALAND EAST	11,910	6,662	5,248	74,986	38,402	36,584	104,790	51,181	53,609	91,836	41,919	49,917	283,522	138,164	145,358
MASHONALAND WEST	11,062	6,227	4,835	73,618	39,023	34,595	115,249	57,835	57,414	103,105	50,415	52,690	303,034	153,500	149,534
MASVINGO	11,144	5,997	5,147	61,549	30,191	31,358	91,804	41,865	49,939	77,604	32,333	45,271	242,101	110,386	131,715
MATABELELAND NORTH	3,800	1,793	2,007	26,794	12,553	14,241	49,811	22,825	26,986	45,829	20,372	25,457	126,234	57,543	68,691
MATABELELAND SOUTH	3,315	1,618	1,697	22,275	10,744	11,531	39,940	18,706	21,234	35,322	15,928	19,394	100,852	46,996	53,856
MIDLANDS	9,726	5,312	4,414	68,813	34,655	34,158	124,672	61,024	63,648	104,911	48,184	56,727	308,122	149,175	158,947
GRAND TOTAL	84,877	46,132	38,745	573,586	291,719	281,867	934,297	449,173	485,124	835,595	383,588	452,007	2,428,355	1,170,612	1,257,743

Figure 1 :Voter Population by age group:

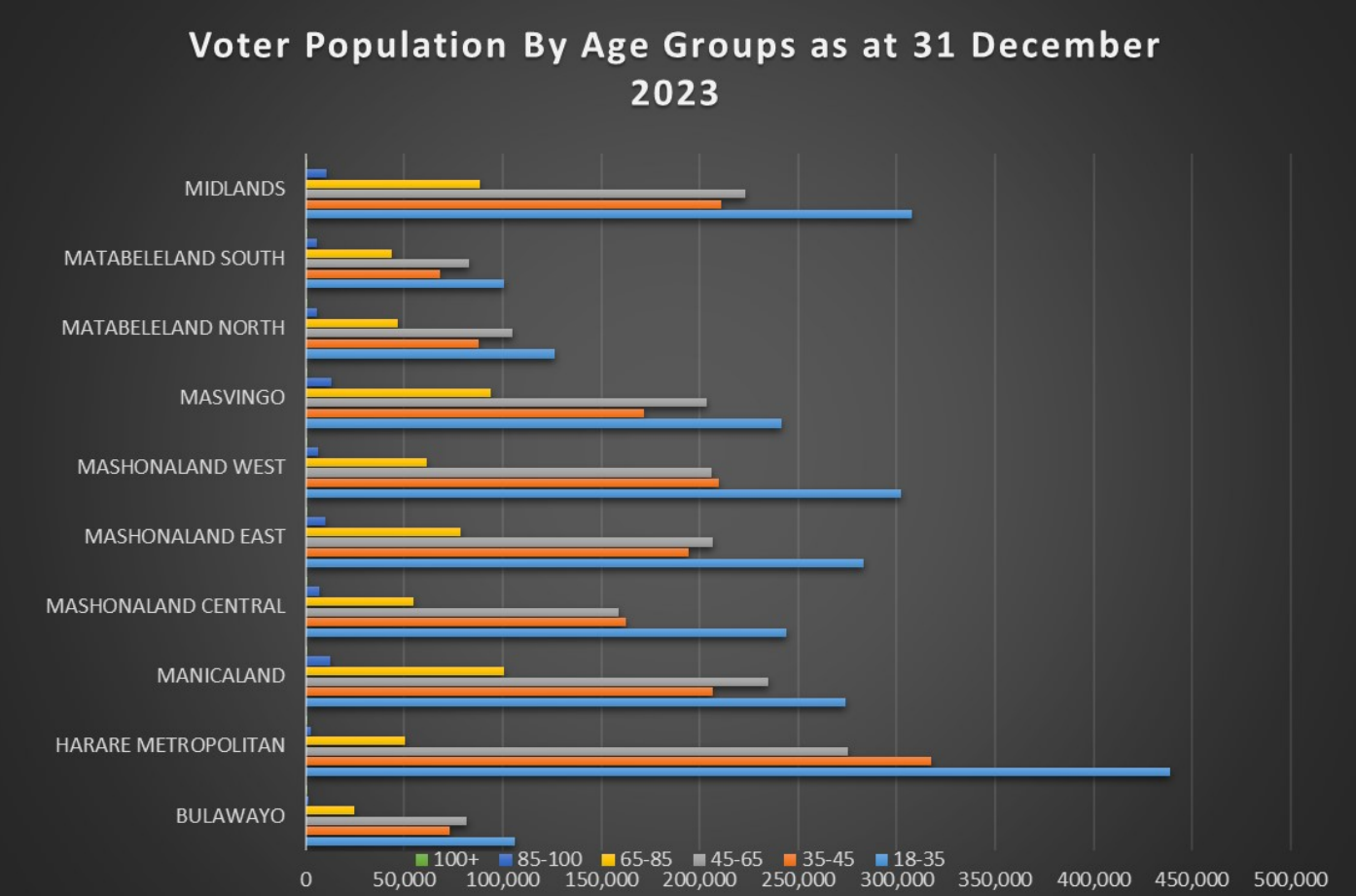


Photo 3

Photo 3: People queue to register as voters during a mobile voter registration exercise

Registration of Persons With Disabilities

Table 6 shows the distribution of registered PWD voters by disability category

Table 6: Disability Statistics By Province and Disability Category as at 31 December 2023

PROVINCE	DIS01	DIS02	DIS03	DIS04	DIS05	DIS06	DIS07	DIS08	DIS09	DIS10	DIS11	DIS12	DIS13	DIS14	DIS15	DIS99	TOTAL
BULAWAYO METROPOLITAN	50	185	8	105	29	17	2	9	9	10	2	44	43	28	53	229	823
HARARE METROPOLITAN	89	287	15	152	25	16	10	11	21	36	10	42	68	47	68	327	1224
MANICALAND	162	2142	28	710	43	46	18	62	38	57	30	70	183	95	78	719	4481
MASHONALAND CENTRAL	131	1339	33	364	49	51	18	26	38	21	47	50	156	58	74	541	2996
MASHONALAND EAST	85	669	17	269	29	50	13	19	30	31	12	64	114	53	69	338	1862
MASHONALAND WEST	112	836	20	254	29	33	13	9	38	19	29	51	79	67	75	319	1983
MASVINGO	232	1742	35	575	50	59	19	21	42	26	32	68	242	82	171	821	4217
MATABELELAND NORTH	178	1530	22	464	61	52	13	27	27	15	41	47	157	75	101	502	3312
MATABELELAND SOUTH	116	1927	26	532	41	41	6	31	29	7	32	35	103	44	71	703	3744
MIDLANDS	274	2807	38	745	70	77	24	49	58	39	30	89	251	70	178	1009	5808
TOTAL	1429	13464	242	4170	426	442	136	264	330	261	265	560	1396	619	938	5508	30450

Table 7: National Disability statistics by gender as at 31 December 2023

										DISABILITY KEY						
Disability	Male	Female	Total							DIS01	Visual:Totally Blind- Braille Illiterate					
DIS01	793	636	1429							DIS02	Visual:Difficulty Seeing					
DIS02	4999	8465	13464							DIS03	Other: Difficulty Speaking					
DIS03	164	78	242							DIS04	Hearing:Difficulty Hearing					
DIS04	1761	2409	4170							DIS05	Other: Dumb					
DIS05	217	209	426							DIS06	Other: Difficulty Learning/Mental handicap					
DIS06	242	200	442							DIS07	Other: Chronic Fits					
DIS07	70	66	136							DIS08	Other: Strange Behaviour					
DIS08	159	105	264							DIS09	Other: Lack of Feeling in Hands/Feet/Leprosy					
DIS09	181	149	330							DIS10	Other:Albinism					
DIS10	126	135	261							DIS11	Other: Chronic Illness					
DIS11	91	174	265							DIS12	Amputee: Unable To Walk/Crippled					
DIS12	356	204	560							DIS13	Amputee: Difficely Walking					
DIS13	695	701	1396							DIS14	Amputee: No Hand/s					
DIS14	432	187	619							DIS15	Visual:Totally Blind- Braille Literate					
DIS15	519	419	938							DIS99	Other					
DIS99	2934	2574	5508													
TOTAL	13739	16711	30450													

CONDUCT OF THE 2023 HARMONISED ELECTIONS AND BY-ELECTIONS

The Commission conducted the 2023 harmonised elections on 23rd and 24th of August 2023 as detailed below:

Table 8: 2023 Harmonized Elections

Ser	Type of Election	Possible Seats To Be Filled	Actual Seats Filled	Seats filled (%)	Remarks
1	Presidential	1	1	100	Election based on absolute majority system
2	National Assembly	210	209	99.5	Election based on First Past the Post. A duly nominated candidate passed on before polling day
3	Local Authority	1970	1966	99.8	Election based on First Past the Post. Four (4) duly nominated candidates passed on before polling day.
4	Senate	60	60	100	6 seats per province (PR)
5	National Assembly (Women's Quota)	60	60	100	6 seats per province (PR)
6	Provincial Council	100	100	100	10 seats per province (PR)
7	National Assembly Youth Quota	10	10	100	1 seat per province (PR)
8	30% Women's Quota (Local Authorities)	602	602	100	30% per each local authority (PR)
9	Senate Chiefs	16	16	100	Elected through Chief's Electoral College
10	President & Vice President of the Chiefs' Council.	2	2	100	Elected through Chief's Electoral College
11	Senate for the PWD	2	2	100	Elected through Chief's Electoral College

Election of Parliament Officials

The Commission supervised the election of the Speaker of Parliament, the President of Senate and their Deputies. The elections were successfully conducted on 3 September 2023 at the New Parliament Building in Mount Hampden.

Run-Off Elections.

The Commission conducted one run-off election in fulfilment of the legal provision as stated in Proclamation 4 of 2023 for ward 33 of Makoni RDC.

By-elections Conducted after 2023 Harmonised Elections

Table 9: By-elections conducted in 2023

Ser No.	Province/ District	Constituency/ Ward	Reason for By-Elections	Nomination Date	No. of Contestants	Election Date	Winning Candidate	Sex	Political Party
1	Mash West/ Zvimba RDC	Ward 23	Death	21/06/2023	4	11/11/2023	Muganhiri Cecelia	F	ZANU PF
2	Mash West Hurungwe RDC	Ward 24	Death	10/10/2023	2	11/11/2023	Makumbe Jerry	M	ZANU PF
3	Matebeleland North Kusile RDC	Ward 13	Death	21/06/2023	4	11/11/2023	QondaTarcissius	M	CCC
4	Matebeleland North Nkayi RDC	Ward 11	Death	21/06/2023	4	11/11/2023	Neube Mandla	M	ZANU PF
5	Manicaland Vungu RDC	Ward 14	Death	21/06/2023	2	11/11/2023	Muchemwa Aaron	M	ZANU PF
6	Masvingo Province	Gutu West Constituency	Death	21/06/2023	4	11/11/2023	Paradza John	M	ZANU PF
7	Mash West/Chinhoyi Municipality	Ward 2	Death	27/10/2023	2	2/12/2023	Mutevani Walter	M	ZANU PF
8	Mat South	Beitbridge West	Recall	7/11/2023	5	9/12/2023	Ndou Thusani	M	ZANU PF
9	Mat North	Binga North	Recall	7/11/2023	3	9/12/2023	Muchimba Chineke	M	ZANU PF
10	Bulawayo	Bulawayo South	Recall	7/11/2023	3	9/12/2023	Modi Rajesh kumari	M	ZANU PF
11	Bulawayo	Cowdray Park	Recall	7/11/2023	3	9/12/2023	Mujeyi Aurther	M	ZANU PF
12	Bulawayo	Lobengula – Mangwengwe	Recall	7/11/2023	3	9/12/2023	Nyathi Tendayi Chituru	M	CCC
13	Mat North	Lupane East	Recall	7/11/2023	3	9/12/2023	Machangu Phathisiwe	F	ZANU PF
14	Bulawayo	Mpopoma/Mzilikazi	Recall	7/11/2023	5	9/12/2023	Moyo Charles	M	CCC

Ser No.	Province/ District	Constituency/ Ward	Reason for By- Elections	Nomination Date	No. of Contestants	Election Date	Winning Candidate	Sex	Political Party
15	Bulawayo	Nketa	Recall	7/11/2023	4	9/12/2023	Mavunga Albert Tawanda	M	ZANUPF
16	Harare	Mabvuku-Tafara	Recall	7/11/2023	2	9/12/2023	Sakupwanya Pedzai	M	ZANU PF
17	Bulawayo	Ward 1 City of Bulawayo	Recall	7/11/2023	4	9/12/2023	Mutangi Josiah	M	ZANU PF
18	Bulawayo	Ward 6 City of Bulawayo	Recall	7/11/2023	5	9/12/2023	Hove Mpoftu Nkosinath	M	CCC
19	Bulawayo	Ward 9 City of Bulawayo	Recall	7/11/2023	5	9/12/2023	Mabuto Donaldson	M	CCC
20	Bulawayo	Ward 18 City of Bulawayo	Recall	7/11/2023	4	9/12/2023	Madzana Felix Takunda	M	CCC
21	Bulawayo	Ward 20 City of Bulawayo	Recall	7/11/2023	4	9/12/2023	Sibindi Sandra	F	ZANU PF
22	Bulawayo	Ward 21 City of Bulawayo	Recall	7/11/2023	4	9/12/2023	Maposa Timevimbo	M	CCC
23	Bulawayo	Ward 22 City of Bulawayo	Recall	7/11/2023	4	9/12/2023	Moto Mmeli Thobeka	M	CCC
24	Bulawayo	Ward 24 City of Bulawayo	Recall	7/11/2023	6	9/12/2023	Zidya Tavengwa	M	ZANU PF
25	Masvingo	Ward 2 Masvingo Municipality	Recall	7/11/2023	4	9/12/2023	Hwata Benson	M	ZANU PF
26	Midlands	Ward 22 Tongogara RDC	Death	7/11/2023	2	9/12/2023	Makozho Grace	F	ZANU PF
27	Midlands	Ward 13 Zibagwe RDC	Death	7/11/2023	2	9/12/2023	Ntencezi Sipwe	F	ZANU PF
28	Midlands	Ward 4 Zvishavane Town Council	Death	7/11/2023	2	9/12/2023	Chabuda Sheilla	F	CCC

Replacement of 2023 Proportional Representation Seats In Parliament

Several Proportional Representation (PR) seats became vacant in Parliament and in local authorities due to death, reassignment and recalls. The Commission was able to fill two(2) PR seats as shown in Table 10. Table 11 shows PR seats which remained vacant as at 31 December 2023

Table 10:

Ser	Province	Office	Incumbent	Sex	Reason	Replacement	Sex	Political Party	Date Appointment
1	Harare	Senate	Oliver Mandishona Chidawu	M	Death	Godfrey Gijima	M	ZANU PF	31/3/2023
2	Mat North	Senate	Obert Mpofu	M	Party	Moyo Headman	M	ZANU PF	6/10/2023

Table 11: Vacant PR seats as at 31 December 2023

Party-List members that were recalled by their Political Party and have not yet been replaced.

Table 5

Ser	Province/Local Authority	Office	Incumbent	Sex	Political Party	Reason	Vacancy Date	Remarks
1	Bulawayo	Senate	Zivira Hellen	F	CCC	Recall	4/10/2023	Pending
2	Bulawayo	Senate	Shoko Gideon	M	CCC	Recall	4/10/2023	Pending
3	Bulawayo	Senate	Ncube Siphiwe	F	CCC	Recall	4/10/2023	Pending
4	Bulawayo	Senate	Sibanda Felix Magalela	M	CCC	Recall	4/10/2023	Pending
5	Manicaland	Senate	Chimhini David Antony	M	CCC	Recall	4/10/2023	Pending
6	Masvingo	Senate	Madzikanda Godfrey Mativenga	M	CCC	Recall	4/10/2023	Pending
7	Matabeleland North	Senate	Moyo Anastasia	F	CCC	Recall	4/10/2023	Pending
8	Matabeleland North	Senate	Gabuza Gabbuza Joel	M	CCC	Recall	4/10/2023	Pending
9	Matabeleland North	Senate	Sibanda Tendai	F	CCC	Recall	4/10/2023	Pending
10	Harare	Senate	Maondera Web-	M	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
11	Harare	Senate	Timba Jameson	M	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
12	Mashonaland West	Senate	Matamisa Editor	M	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
13	Harare	Senate	Tome Vongai	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
14	Mashonaland West	Senate	Magunje Ralph T.	M	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
15	Bulawayo	National Assembly	Mlilo Stabile	F	CCC	Recall	3/10/2023	Pending
16	Bulawayo	National Assembly	Toffa Jasmine	F	CCC	Recall	3/10/2023	Pending
17	Bulawayo	National Assembly	Dube Janeth	F	CCC	Recall	3/10/2023	Pending

Ser	Province/ Local Author- ity	Office	Incumbent	Sex	Political Party	Reason	Vacancy Date	Remarks
18	Matabele- land South	National Assembly	Nkomo Vel- isiwe	F	CCC	Recall	3/10/2023	Pending
19	Matabele- land South	National Assembly	Ndlovu No- mathemba	F	CCC	Recall	3/10/2023	Pending
20	Bulawayo	National Assembly	Zana Sivina Evidence	F	CCC	Recall	3/10/2023	Pending
21	Masvingo	National Assembly	Mugidho Mu- charairwa	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
22	Midlands	National Assembly	Muzondiwa Emma Shanziwe	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
23	Mashonaland East	National Assembly	Chihota Con- stance	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
24	Manicaland	National Assembly	Mukwada Monica	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
25	Midlands	National Assembly	Mungani Sekai	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
26	Harare	National Assembly	Mazingaidzo Linnet	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
27	Mashonaland East	National Assembly	Gutsa De- phine	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
28	City of Bula- wayo	Local Au- thority	Cronje Sarah Catherine	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
29	City of Bula- wayo	Local Au- thority	Mhizha Tabeth	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
30	City of Bula- wayo	Local Au- thority	Sibanda Dor- cas	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
31	City of Bula- wayo	Local Au- thority	Tshongwe Zibusiso	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
32	Epworth Local Board	Local Au- thority	Sande Anna	F	CCC	Recall	7/11/2023	Pending
33	Harare City of Harare	Local Au- thority	Hamauswa Chido	F	CCC	Recall	13/11/2023	Pending
34	Harare City of Harare	Local Au- thority	Tiriboyi Sabina	F	CCC	Recall	13/11/2023	Pending
35	Harare City of Harare	Local Au- thority	Cheza Flor- ence	F	CCC	Recall	13/11/2023	Pending
36	Harare City of Harare	Local Au- thority	Matimba Fadzai	F	CCC	Recall	13/11/2023	Pending
37	Mash East Marondera Municipality	Local Au- thority	Nyatondo Deffeny	F	CCC	Recall	13/11/2023	Pending
38	Mash East Marondera Municipality	Local Au- thority	Mutizwa Sin- cipile Lorraine	F	CCC	Recall	13/11/2023	Pending
39	Makoni RDC	Local Au- thority	Hlungwani Amina	F	CCC	Death	15/11/23	Pending
40	Makoni RDC	Local Au- thority	Kunyongana Rhoda	F	ZANU PF	Withdrawal	20/11/23	Pending
41	Makoni RDC	Local Au- thority	Chiweshe Debra	F	ZANU PF	Withdrawal	29/11/23	Pending

18 December 2023 Nomination Court Results

There were elective vacancies in the National Assembly Constituencies and Local Authorities following the recall of the incumbents by the sponsoring party. There was also a casual vacancy due to death in Buhera RDC Ward 19. The nomination courts for the casual vacancies were held on 18 December 2023. All constituencies and wards were contested as shown in Table 12. The by-election were conducted on 3 February 2024.

Table 12: 18 December Nomination Court Results

Ser	Province	Constituency/Local Authority	Name Of Candidate	Sex	Party
1	Bulawayo	Pelandaba-Tshabalala	Nkomo Abraham	M	DOP
2	Bulawayo	Pelandaba-Tshabalala	Siziva Gift	M	CCC
3	Bulawayo	Pelandaba-Tshabalala	Tembo Moreblessing	F	CCC
4	Bulawayo	Pelandaba-Tshabalala	Tshuma Joseph	M	ZANU PF
5	Mash East	Goromonzi South	Chagwiza Stephen	M	CCC
6	Mash East	Goromonzi South	Chikudo Rueben	M	CCC
7	Mash East	Goromonzi South	Zhanda Washington	M	ZANU PF
8	Mash East	Seke	Chisi Everisto	M	CCC
9	Mash East	Seke	Kashambe Munyaradzi Tobias	M	ZANU PF
10	Mash East	Seke	Madzimbamuto Willard Tapfumanei	M	INDEPENDENT
11	Mash West	Chegutu West	Chivero Admore	M	INDEPENDENT
12	Mash West	Chegutu West	Konjana Gift Machoka	M	CCC
13	Mash West	Chegutu West	Timburwa Shakemore Welington	M	ZANU PF
14	Mash West	Zvimba East	Alberito Agrippa	M	CCC
15	Mash West	Zvimba East	Mananzva Kudakwashe	M	ZANU PF
16	Mash West	Zvimba East	Mutasa Oliver	M	INDEPENDENT
17	Midlands	Mkoba North	Chibaya Amos	M	CCC
18	Midlands	Mkoba North	Ncube Edgar	M	ZANU PF
19	Midlands	Mkoba North	Tayiya Patrick	M	DOP

Ser	Province	Constituency/Local Authority	Name Of Candidate	Sex	Party
20	Manicaland	Ward 19 Buhera RDC	Matiza Taurai	M	ZANU PF
21	Manicaland	Ward 19 Buhera RDC	Mugariri Douglas	M	CCC
22	Mash West	Ward 5 Chegutu Municipality	Kawadza Gloria	F	CCC
23	Mash West	Ward 5 Chegutu Municipality	Kundhlande Alice	F	CCC
24	Mash West	Ward 5 Chegutu Municipality	Mavetera Alice	F	ZANU PF
25	Mash West	Ward 9 Chegutu Municipality	Kanda Talent	M	INDEPENDENT
26	Mash West	Ward 9 Chegutu Municipality	Kunonga Clever	M	ZANU PF
27	Mash West	Ward 9 Chegutu Municipality	Ngaru Pamela	F	CCC
28	Mash West	Ward 9 Chegutu Municipality	Tigirigi Loyce	F	CCC
29	Mash West	Ward 9 Chinhoyi Municipality	Besu Edward	M	ZANU PF
30	Mash West	Ward 9 Chinhoyi Municipality	Phiri Nicholas	M	CCC
31	Mash West	Ward 9 Chinhoyi Municipality	Verandeni Ninion	M	CCC
32	Mash West	Ward 10 Chinhoyi Municipality	Muganyi Arnold Same	M	CCC
33	Mash West	Ward 10 Chinhoyi Municipality	Munenga Anesu	M	INDEPENDENT
34	Mash West	Ward 10 Chinhoyi Municipality	Muzhandamhuri Godknows	M	ZANU PF
35	Mash West	Ward 12 Chinhoyi Municipality	Chembe Norman	M	CCC
36	Mash West	Ward 12 Chinhoyi Municipality	Chibume Collins	M	INDEPENDENT
37	Mash West	Ward 12 Chinhoyi Municipality	Makumbe Dyke	M	CCC
38	Mash West	Ward 12 Chinhoyi Municipality	Moyo Viola	F	ZANU PF
39	Mash West	Ward 12 Chinhoyi Municipality	Ruka Tinemishe	M	INDEPENDENT
40	Masvingo	Ward 6 Chiredzi Town Council	Mombe Costen	M	ZANU PF
41	Masvingo	Ward 6 Chiredzi Town Council	Musingashari Mus-ingashari	M	CCC
42	Masvingo	Ward 7 Chiredzi Town Council	Chikonye Rodger	M	CCC
43	Masvingo	Ward 7 Chiredzi Town Council	Mahiya Brighton	M	ZANU PF
44	Harare	Ward 7 Chitungwiza Municipality	Gunda Moab	M	ZANU PF
45	Harare	Ward 7 Chitungwiza Municipality	Maiko Lovemore	M	CCC
46	Harare	Ward 7 Chitungwiza Municipality	Mutambara Maryleen Tapiwa	F	CCC
47	Harare	Ward 7 Chitungwiza Municipality	Patsika Bothwell	M	INDEPENDENT
48	Harare	Ward 12 Chitungwiza Municipality	Chisango Nyarai	F	ZANU PF
49	Harare	Ward 12 Chitungwiza Municipality	Dube Matigere	M	INDEPENDENT
50	Harare	Ward 12 Chitungwiza Municipality	Majindwi Final Kuziwa	F	INDEPENDENT
51	Harare	Ward 12 Chitungwiza Municipality	Musonza Takudzwa Webster	M	CCC
52	Harare	Ward 12 Chitungwiza Municipality	Mutingwende Jerita	F	CCC
53	Harare	Ward 21 Chitungwiza Municipality	Chirwa Fungai	F	CCC
54	Harare	Ward 21 Chitungwiza Municipality	John Kudakwashe	M	CCC

Ser	Province	Constituency/Local Authority	Name Of Candidate	Sex	Party
55	Harare	Ward 21 Chitungwiza Municipality	Moyo Vusumuzi	M	ZANU PF
56	Harare	Ward 21 Chitungwiza Municipality	Parafin Edmore	M	INDEPENDENT
57	Midlands	Ward 11 Gweru Municipality	Mhondiwa Justine	M	CCC
58	Midlands	Ward 11 Gweru Municipality	Rumbe Tanyanyiwa	M	ZANU PF
59	Midlands	Ward 11 Gweru Municipality	Rutsvara Kumirai	M	CCC
60	Harare	Ward 5 Harare Municipality	Gwenzi Samuel	M	CCC
61	Harare	Ward 5 Harare Municipality	Sapa Abdurrahman	M	ZANU PF
62	Harare	Ward 16 Harare Municipality	Mhembere Arnold Kudakwashe	M	ZANU PF
63	Harare	Ward 16 Harare Municipality	Ngadziore Denford	M	INDEPENDENT
64	Harare	Ward 18 Harare Municipality	Makone Ian Mutero	M	CCC
65	Harare	Ward 18 Harare Municipality	Matsika Daniel Rufaro	M	ZANU PF
66	Harare	Ward 41 Harare Municipality	Kadzombe Kudzai	F	INDEPENDENT
67	Harare	Ward 41 Harare Municipality	Majengwa Clive Charles	M	ZANU PF
68	Harare	Ward 41 Harare Municipality	Maramwidze Fungayi Patrick	M	CCC
69	Midlands	Ward 5 Kwekwe Municipality	Chingarande Melody	F	CCC
70	Midlands	Ward 5 Kwekwe Municipality	Muganho Tapiwanashe	M	ZANU PF
71	Midlands	Ward 9 Kwekwe Municipality	Juda Maxwell Chimombo	M	ZANU PF
72	Midlands	Ward 9 Kwekwe Municipality	Machisvo Simon	M	CCC
73	Midlands	Ward 9 Kwekwe Municipality	Ndlovu Proud	M	CCC
74	Midlands	Ward 10 Kwekwe Municipality	Matsa Solomon	M	ZANU PF
75	Midlands	Ward 10 Kwekwe Municipality	Njerera Reveous	M	CCC
76	Bulawayo	Bulawayo	Bulawayo	Bulawayo	Bulawayo
77	Mash East	Ward 7 Manyame RDC	Haparari Innocent Kuziva	M	CCC
78	Mash East	Ward 7 Manyame RDC	Ngarande Simbarashe	M	ZANU PF
79	Mash East	Ward 3 Marondera Municipality	Mugumbate Henry	M	CCC

Ser	Province	Constituency/Local Authority	Name Of Candidate	Sex	Party
80	Mash East	Ward 3 Marondera Municipality	Mujaranji Mus- inganete Christopher	M	ZANU PF
81	Mash East	Ward 3 Marondera Municipality	Tagwirei Bonface	M	CCC
82	Mash East	Ward 8 Marondera Municipality	Mujuru Brighton	M	ZANU PF
83	Mash East	Ward 8 Marondera Municipality	Mumbiro Aleck	M	CCC
84	Mash East	Ward 8 Marondera Municipality	Nyakarombo Abel	M	CCC
85	Mash East	Ward 10 Marondera Municipality	Jarifu Jim	M	CCC
86	Mash East	Ward 10 Marondera Municipality	Magaluwa Thomson	M	CCC
87	Mash East	Ward 10 Marondera Municipality	Marozva Maidah	F	ZANU PF
88	Manicaland	Ward 5 Mutare Municipality	Chikuruwo Pardon	M	CCC
89	Manicaland	Ward 5 Mutare Municipality	Chinowaita Shylate	M	DUZ
90	Manicaland	Ward 5 Mutare Municipality	Mapuvire Simon	M	CCC
91	Manicaland	Ward 5 Mutare Municipality	Mundembe Re- sistance	F	ZANU PF
92	Manicaland	Ward 8 Mutare Municipality	Gwasira Sophia Rudo	F	CCC
93	Manicaland	Ward 8 Mutare Municipality	Kuhudzai Warren	M	ZANU PF
94	Manicaland	Ward 8 Mutare Municipality	Manziyo Tatenda	F	CCC
95	Manicaland	Ward 12 Mutare Municipality	Chiwara Jefuta	M	CCC
96	Manicaland	Ward 12 Mutare Municipality	Jojo Shepard	M	ZANU PF
97	Manicaland	Ward 12 Mutare Municipality	Madzvova Henry	M	INDEPENDENT
98	Manicaland	Ward 12 Mutare Municipality	Nengomasha Cloud	M	CCC
99	Mash West	Ward 11 Norton Town Council	Chamunongwa Eshawedi	M	INDEPENDENT
100	Mash West	Ward 11 Norton Town Council	Mafusire Tinotenda	M	ZANU PF
101	Mash West	Ward 11 Norton Town Council	Takawira Eager	M	CCC
102	Mash West	Ward 12 Norton Town Council	Kudenga Dumisani C	M	INDEPENDENT
103	Mash West	Ward 12 Norton Town Council	Tachiona Laston	M	ZANU PF

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES FOR 2023

Stock-take and Disposal of Obsolete equipment

The Commission conducted an annual stock-take in terms of Public Finance Management Act [Chapter 22:19]. In accordance with section 92(2) of Public Procurement and Disposal Assets Act the Commission also disposed obsolete assets and equipment which included vehicles and furniture among other things and realized a total amount of USD168, 000.

ZITF Infrastructural Development

The ZEC acquired a pavilion at the Zimbabwe International Trade Fair and exhibited thereat.

Maintenance /Renovations of ZEC Buildings and Properties.

In line with infrastructure maintenance, thrust, ZEC renovated its Head office, Provincial and district offices and warehouses.

Photo 4: The repaired and repainted perimeter wall gave the Commission a new corporate



Photo 4

ZEC Head Office

Field Equipment and Mobilisation Support for 2023 Elections

Tents

The Commission procured additional 1000 tents to cater for the increased number of polling stations after the voter registration process.



Photo 5

Photo 5: ZEC Tent in Bulawayo during the 2023 General Elections

Polling Station Solar Kits

In line with the promotion of green energy, the Commission invested in Polling Station solar kits with lighting capacity of 12 hours. A total of 15 500 kits were procured and distributed to the provinces during the 2023 Harmonised Elections.

Operational Vehicles

The Commission, through support from Treasury acquired vehicles as shown in Table 13.

Table 13: Acquired Vehicles

SER	Model of Vehicle	Quantity
1.	Isuzu Vehicles	30
2.	Nissan Navara Vehicles	10
3.	Toyota Fortuner vehicles	3

Transport

The mobilisation of materials and equipment during the 2023 elections was a major task. A total of 4 660 light vehicles, 217 lorries and 110 buses, water and air transport were mobilised to support the movement of human and material resources for the conduct of the 2023 harmonised elections.

Security Enhancement at Head Office

The Commission installed CCTV and access control devices to enhance security at Head office.

INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENTS

During the year under review, the Commission participated at various international events. These events are important for knowledge sharing and benchmarking of electoral standards. Table 14 shows international events where the Commission participated.

Table 14: International Engagements in 2023

Date	Purpose	Sponsored by/ Invited By
21 to 23 Feb 2023	Sub Committee meeting Botswana	ECF SADC
13 to 17 March 2023	CEO'S and EXCO meetings Luanda Angola	ECF SADC
17 to 21 March 2023	Study visit Kenya	Zimbabwe Gender Commission
24 to 4 May 2023	Workshop on strategies to prevent election conflict: South Africa	SADC Secretariat
6 to 25 June 2023	Course in Electoral Management: Japan	JICA
15 to 19 June 2023	Expediting clearance of tents. South Africa	Initiated by ZEC
12 to 14 September 2023	Courtesy visit to SADC Executive Botswana	ECF -SADC
9 to 12 October 2023	CEO's and EXCO Meetings South Africa	ECF SADC
1 to 6 October 2023	Course on election Management Moscow Russia	Central Election Commission of Russia.
27 November to 2 December 2023	25 th Annual General Conference South Africa	UNDP, IEC South Africa, and Goz
10 to 25 December 2023	Election Observer Mission DRC	ECF – SADC

Conclusion

The Zimbabwe Electoral Commission remains committed to the fulfillment of its mandate in terms of the Constitution and is optimistic that the State shall continue providing it with the necessary support during the forth coming financial year.