Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission

PRESS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: A NATION RISING: STATUS UPDATE OF ENHANCED CONTINUOUS VOTER REGISTRATION (ECVR) AS AT THURSDAY, 16TH APRIL 2026

Nairobi, Kenya: Friday, 17th April 2026

1. As we enter the final stretch of the Enhanced Continuous Voter Registration (ECVR) exercise, the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) is filled with a profound sense of pride and purpose. Since the launch of this national drive on 30th March 2026, we have not only witnessed numbers being added on the Register, but also the unmistakable heartbeat of a nation resolute in shaping its own democratic destiny.

Celebrating Our New Voters: A Growing Force for Democrac

2. The Commission extends its deepest gratitude to the **1,370,930** Kenyans who have registered as new voters since the commencement of ECVR on 30th March 2026 to 16th April 2026. Since the last update of 9th April 2026, the Commission has recorded an increase of **495,429** new registrations - many of them are young first-time voters signaling their commitment to participate in the electoral process.

i. New registered voters: The number of new registered voters since the beginning of ECVR on 30th March 2026 to 16th April 2026 is **1,370,930**. Therefore, since the last update of 9th April 2026, the Commission has recorded an increase of **495,429** new voters.

ii. Transfers: **92,602**

iii. Change/update of particulars: **1,969**

3. From the bustling streets of Nairobi to the remote reaches of Kwale, where even elders aged over 80 have come forward to register, the message is clear: Kenya is ready. This surge in registration is a strong affirmation of confidence and faith in our democracy. To those who joined the Register this week: You are no longer observers; you arenow the architects of Kenya's future… *wazalendo wa kweli.* Congratulations!

4. Upon conclusion of ECVR on 28th April 2026, the Commission will revert to office-based registration. The Commission cautions that the standard Constituency-based CVR presents access challenges, particularly for citizens in marginalized and far-flung regions as well as for Persons with Disabilities (PWDs). This ECVR presents a window for accessible service and eligible Kenyans are urged to take advantage of it while it remains open.

A Patriotic Call to Action: Secure the 2027 General Election

5. With only 11 days remaining, the Commission calls upon all eligible Kenyans who are yet to register, to take advantage of of this opportunity and contribute to an inclusive and representative voter register. The 2027 General Election will be a defining moment for our republic. As the saying goes, "One who refuses or fails to vote loses the right to complain about the outcome of the election." Strengthening democracy is a shared national obligation, and voter registration is a critical first step. By registering, the citizens safeguard

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their constitutional right to participate in the electoral process.

6. Save for kits at the constituency offices, all kits are open to register Kenyans to their preferred electoral areas. **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO TRAVEL HOME TO REGISTER AS A VOTER**. Visit any nearest registrationcentre and our staff will guide and assist you through the process.

Our Commitment to You

7. The Commission remains firmly dedicated to a transparent, credible and high-integrity process. We have extended our reach to the Ward level to ensure every single vote is protected by a credible Register of Voters. Existing voters are encouraged to confirm their details via our online portal at ***verify@iebc.or.ke.***

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Voter Registration Report As At 16th April 2026				
County Code	County	Total Registered	Total Transfers	Total Change of particulars
001	MOMBASA	32,625	4,731	89
002	KWALE	18,901	634	13
003	KILIFI	40,665	1,586	8
004	TANA RIVER	13,410	766	49
005	LAMU	6,785	187	1
006	TAITA TAVETA	15,720	1,196	14
007	GARISSA	16,813	1,303	16
008	WAJIR	13,865	649	5
009	MANDERA	11,455	2,205	19
010	MARSABIT	14,747	266	4
011	ISIOLO	7,380	398	13
012	MERU	41,946	1,928	47
013	THARAKA - NITHI	16,485	454	9
014	EMBU	14,007	814	39
015	KITUI	37,162	1,003	30
016	MACHAKOS	47,348	2,737	89
017	MAKUENI	25,800	1,040	16
018	NYANDARUA	11,440	1,095	52
019	NYERI	29,376	2,066	74
020	KIRINYAGA	22,902	1,501	31
021	MURANGA	30,537	3,254	58
022	KIAMBU	72,055	6,734	152
023	TURKANA	39,014	1,555	15
024	WEST POKOT	23,311	623	1
025	SAMBURU	13,185	336	1
026	TRANS NZOIA	25,124	2,284	29
027	UASIN GISHU	30,644	1,469	50
028	ELGEYO/MARAKWET	15,483	291	7
029	NANDI	29,301	807	54
030	BARINGO	21,542	512	11
031	LAIKIPIA	15,036	1,169	42
032	NAKURU	57,068	4,747	74
033	NAROK	28,375	815	77
034	KAJIADO	33,095	1,993	54
035	KERICHO	29,465	600	14
036	BOMET	24,836	329	14
037	KAKAMEGA	61,797	3,483	30
038	VIHIGA	15,611	1,807	37
039	BUNGOMA	43,488	2,992	23

040	BUSIA	22,358	1,699	17
041	SIAYA	24,476	767	10
042	KISUMU	26,538	1,020	22
043	HOMA BAY	23,877	766	50
044	MIGORI	25,956	873	20
045	KISII	37,187	5,112	83
046	NYAMIRA	12,573	1,569	15
047	NAIROBI CITY	150,166	18,437	391
TOTAL		**1,370,930**	**92,602**	**1,969**

NB: Voter registration is NOT currently taking place in electoral areas with scheduled by-elections or ongoing election petitions. These areas include Porro Ward, Endo Ward, Emurua Dikirr Constituency, Ol Kalou Constituency, Malava Constituency and Mbeere North Constituency.