



# Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission

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### SUBJECT: OL KALOU BY-ELECTION

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1. The Commission expresses its sincere appreciation to the voters of Ol Kalou Constituency who turned out to exercise their democratic right during the Ol Kalou by-election conducted on 16th July 2026, and all Kenyans for their support during the electioneering period.
2. The voter turnout for Ol Kalou Constituency was **57%**. For more details visit the Commission's results portal: **<https://forms.iebc.or.ke>**
3. We further convey our gratitude to all IEBC staff for their dedication, professionalism, and long hours of service that ensured the electoral processes were conducted in full compliance with the law.
4. We equally recognize the constructive engagement of stakeholders throughout the electoral cycle and appreciate the development partners whose support helped bridge financial gaps in the by-election budget.
5. The Commission underscores that credible elections require collaboration and good faith from all actors including political parties, security agencies, administrators, civil society, media and the public. Trust in our elections is built not only through technical excellence but also collective responsibility of all actors to protect the integrity of the process.
6. In line with international best practice, the Commission will undertake a comprehensive review of the by-elections to assess what worked well and what can be strengthened. This post-election evaluation is a key component of our constitutional mandate under Article 88(4)(h), which obligates the Commission to facilitate the observation,





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monitoring, and evaluation of elections.

7. The Commission is also committed to reviewing stakeholders' reports, drawing lessons, and adopting recommendations that will inform improvements ahead of future electoral activities, including the 2027 General Election.
8. Voter registration in Ol Kalou Constituency will resume after the statutory petition period has lapsed. Section 76 of the Election Act provides for 28 days' post-declaration of results as the window for filing petitions, if any, challenging the validity of the by-election.
9. In conclusion, the Commission calls upon all political actors and the public to continue embracing peaceful co-existence, issue-based political discourse, and constructive participation in the electoral process.

**God Bless You and God Bless Kenya.**

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