



PUBLIC NOTICE

INSPECTION AND VERIFICATION OF NAMES ON THE VOTERS' REGISTER FOR THE 17 MARCH 2026 BY-ELECTIONS

The Malawi Electoral Commission wishes to inform all registered voters, political parties, aspiring independent candidates and the public that it will open registration centres for inspection and verification of names on the Voters Registers' for the March 2026 by-election. The Inspection and verification will be done for a period of two days, on 17th and 18th February, 2026, in all centres where polling will take place.

All registered voters in the by-election areas, including those who registered in readiness of the 2025 General Election, as well as those that registered between 31st January and 6th February 2026, are requested to visit the centre where they registered at to check and confirm that their names and details appear correctly in the voters' register.

During the inspection period, all centres will be open from 8:00AM to 4:00PM, and there will be no lunch break. Registered voters who lost their Voter Registration Certificates (VRC) or have VRCs whose details are faded, will also have an opportunity to apply for the printing of a replacement VRC, to be used on polling day.

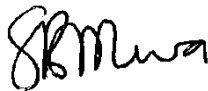
In addition to physical verification at voter registration centres, registered voters may also verify their details by dialing *2509# on both TNM and Airtel mobile telephone networks. This service is free of charge and works on any type of

mobile phone, including a borrowed handset. Voters are encouraged to use this facility ahead of the inspection dates so that, should they encounter any challenges with their details, they can present themselves at their registration centre on 17th or 18th February 2026 for assistance. Please, take note that one mobile phone can be used to verify details of more than one person.

Political parties contesting in the by-elections and aspiring independent candidates are also advised to deploy their duly accredited representatives to monitor the inspection exercise and also inspect the register on their behalf.

The Malawi Electoral Commission underscores that the inspection of the voters' register is a vital step in the electoral process and calls upon all registered voters and stakeholders to participate fully to contribute to a credible, transparent, and inclusive by-election.

Signed this 15th day of February 2026

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