

# A bulletin from Office of the Registrar of Political Parties

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Assistant Registrar ,Ali Abdullahi speaking to internal dispute resolution Committee in a training at Epashikino Resort

## Parties called to embrace non-litigant disputes measures, as ORPP commences phased-sensitizations of Internal Dispute Resolution Committees

The ORPP has commenced a 4-batch sensitization of political parties' Dispute Resolution Committees (IDRCs) in a bid to build their capacity s through established Internal Dispute Mechanisms (IDRMs). On the programme's first batch, ORPP trained representatives of 24 political parties on 11th December 2024 at the Epashikino Resort in Gilgil, Nakuru county. The training focused on the importance of establishing fully functional IDRMs within political parties to ensure disputes are managed with fairness and in adherence to Constitutional aspiration of fair administrative action practices.

Assistant Registrar of Political Parties, Ali Abdullahi, while speaking at the event, underscored of the commitment of ORPP leadership to enhance the capabilities of political party structures, including the establishment of effective IDRCs. "Parties must have independent-off the whims of the arms of the parties to be capable of fostering internal party democracy and minimize litigation, which is vital for good governance practices", Ali said while fielding questions raised by the participants. He urged the parties to adopt best practices from both continental and global counterparts to improve their Internal Dispute Resolution Mechanisms. Director of Compliance, Daniel Kinuthia, encouraged political parties to properly establish IDRMs to effectively resolve conflicts, essential in enhancing the reputation and sustainability of party institutions. He also highlighted prevalent conflicts within political parties such as those on leadership, party loyalty, coalition-related, change of officials among others.

Anastacia Kaberere, Assistant Director of Compliance in charge of Capacity Building, called on party representatives to enhance their human capacity to provide appropriate guidance on disputes within their respective parties. A section of staff presented on various topical areas such as on common conflicts in political parties and their effect to party institutions; legal framework on IDRMs; constitution and operations thresholds for IDRCs ; avenues for Alternative Dispute Resolution Techniques, appeal options and procedures availed by PPDT among others. The sessions were also facilitated by officials of the from the Political Parties Dispute Tribunal (PPDT) and Court Annexed Mediation (CMA).

The CMA is an outfit of Judiciary of Kenya, promoting court-fronted and private mediation as alternative dispute resolutions besides court processes. While discussing the legal provisions surrounding IDRMs, Mrs. Elizabeth Ndwiga, a legal officer, highlighted a host Constitutional and other statutes that govern IDRMs. "The legal backing of alternative ways of internally resolving conflicts within political parties that include party constitutions, helps them to efficiently execute their roles while aiming to promptly dispense justice", she said. Participants appreciated the insights gained, requesting ORPP to regularly capacity-build political parties and develop generic guidelines for political parties' as a reference on IDRMs matters.

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## Men folks in ORPP convene to discuss professional support system and holistic living

On 3rd December, 2024, ORPP hosted one of its kind sitting of men in Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP), as one of the Office deliberate ways of honoring and recognizing the men fraternity. “ We look forward to a day filled with inspiration , empowerment and renewed energy that translates into productivity at personal life and work as well as better working conditions that ORPP is keen on” noted head of HRM , Jacqueline Kosgei. Her sentiments echoed by the incoming head of the department , Damaris Mwendwa saying “this is such a time we must reflect as individuals and colleagues on our holistic wellness while having meaningful discussions about the various challenges that impact their lives”.



Registrar Ann Nderitu ,CBS gives her thought during the official opening

The event coordinated by Human Resource Management department was graced by the Registrar Ann Nderitu, CBS. “Men have a nurturing responsibility and therefore, society depends on them for direction and progress. I urge the ORPP men which has a significant contribution to ORPP’s milestones to in their personal and professional capacity to live up to this expectation”, said Registrar. She underscored the importance of men at ORPP to act responsibly citing a number of misconduct cases recently reported that were prevalent in men. Participants termed the event “one of its kind”, appreciating the kind gesture of ORPP’s leadership led by the Registrar to afford them and spare finances for such an occasion . “ This is historical moment for us men to candidly speak out our issues as guided by health wellness and financial experts involved today”, appreciated Ezekiel Obonyo, Kisumu office Coordinator. Others spoke of the need to regularize and magnify the event with own men drives. I request HR to speak on our behalf and make the men event at ORPP an annual occasion”, noted Chris Kiprotich, a driver.



Registrar ,HR team and Men present in unison singing the National Anthem to commence the meeting

“This occasion sets us off as men in ORPP to consider convening our own meet-ups such as excursions and others”, suggested Nicholas Kaburu of Account services department. In the forum , men were also sensitized on holistic wellness as presided over by Dr. Wahome, a well versed Psychiatrist and financial wellness from Old Mutual financial advisers. To spice up the occasions, men also got a rare chance to hear life and practical experiences from the ORPP’s long service senior staff, Joel Terer alias “Chair of Chairs, now in retirement. “ To be better in both work and after work, it boiled down to commitment, discipline and penchant for continuous learning”, counseled Terer while underscoring the important of early retirement planning.



Part of men in a group discussion during the meeting christened “Men Conference”

He informed in his retirement, he was now engaged in farming and also holds a number of chairmanship responsibilities in church, school and community associations within his locale. Further, men in groups, held discussions on socio-economic challenges encountered in personal and work spheres and shared appropriate strategies. The event was critical in unpacking and dissecting men matters in male perspectives. They also noted the need to support women colleagues and family members for a balanced living.



Registrar , HRM team and `men folk` in a men pose during the engagement

## Registrar in forum to debunk Tech-based Gender-Based Violence

Registrar leads discussions in forum to debunk Tech-based violence on women Legal and policy measures, along with broader societal support, are essential in addressing and mitigating Gender-Based Violence (TF-GBV), including violence facilitated through digital platforms (Technology-Facilitated GBV). The Registrar, Ann Nderitu, CBS noted this while in leading a panel discussion at the National Conference on Technology-Facilitated GBV (TF-GBV), organized by the State Department of Gender and Affirmative Action in collaboration with the National Democratic Institute on 9th December, 2024 in Nairobi.

The Registrar further noting of various milestones of ORPP in supporting women aspiring and in political leadership “The ORPP is actively working to enhance the capacity of women within political parties by ways such as providing essential psycho-social support, thereby equipping them to effectively manage TF-GBV and other negative consequences associated with politics and elections”, she said.

Additionally, she informed of the ORPP initiative to engage the youth in universities, having already collaborated with seven institutions nationwide to foster a culture of good governance. Further, noted the need for punitive measures of TF-GBV perpetrates noting , "time has come to criminalize misinformation and disinformation, which, based on historical evidence, can incite political conflict and violence."The Registrar also urged young people to reject technology-driven vices and instead leverage their digital skills to advocate for positive initiatives in online environments. She was among the distinguished guests at the event, which was presided over by Chief Justice Hon.Martha Koome on 9th December 2024.



Registrar Ann Nderitu ,CBS making her remarks at the forum



Registrar with the chief guest Chief Justice Hon. Martha Koome and guests after the official opening of the T-GBV workshop

## Registrar engages human rights advocates in CMD commemorations

The Registrar of Political Parties, Ann Nderitu, CBS, was part of the distinguished guests at the 20th Anniversary celebrations of the Centre for Multiparty Democracy. The event , held on 10th December 2024 in Nairobi, made reflections on the status of observance of human rights in the country which has a nexus with the good governance and democratic growth.



Registrar addresses the guests in the event held at Moven pick Hotel Westlands, Nairobi.

Key guests that included seasoned political figures and human rights defenders, also interrogated the achievements and pitfalls of the nation's democratic journey while addressing pressing national issues.“I am pleased to participate in the progress we have made as a country, which ORPP is proud to have supported. I also appreciate the vital contributions of Special Interest Groups, including youth, women, and Persons with Disabilities (PWDs), in advancing democracy through their leadership and governance roles”, Ann Nderitu said.



Registrar during the forum

The Registrar noting the collective essence of all stakeholders including Centre for Multiparty Democracy in promoting accurate information and encouraging dialogue among citizens through both offline and online channels.She emphasized the importance of political party leaders being accessible to Special Interest Groups and urged them to amplify these groups' voices in the ongoing electoral legal reforms in a timely manner, ahead of the 2027 general elections.



Registrar with Party representatives and WFD officials at Sarova Stanley



Registrar addresses the guests.

## Parties recognized for inclusion initiatives for PWDs

Various political parties were recognized at the Outstanding Political Parties Awards, in an occasion spearheaded Westminster Foundation for Democracy on December 5, 2024. The awards are pegged on WFD's inclusion theme that focuses on the political participation and leadership of young people, LGBT+ people, and persons with disabilities. The Registrar, Ann Nderitu, CBS was among the distinguished guests and awarded the political parties representatives attending.

"Today, we celebrate the political parties that have made substantial progress in ensuring the participation of SIGs in their operations," stated Ann Nderitu CBS, the Registrar of Political Parties. The Registrar underscored significant initiatives implemented by the ORPP to promote inclusion, including enforcing gender compliance during the registration of political parties, distributing the Political Parties Fund to those supporting SIGs based on established criteria, providing capacity-building programs for political party officials regarding SIG inclusion, and creating training materials to enhance awareness and inclusivity, among other efforts.

Speakers at the event emphasized the necessity of safeguarding the rights of SIGs and their integration into political governance as a vital component of fostering effective governance. The political parties that were honored, expressed their appreciation for the recognition and reaffirmed their dedication to enhancing the involvement of SIGs in their activities and processes.

## ORPP witnesses screening of a film to celebrate women political mobilisers in non-formal settlements and grassroots

The ORPP on invitation of Badili Africa, a Community Based advocacy witnessed screening of a documentary highlighting the plight and experiences of women political mobilisers. The film which was also screened for participants, was part of demonstrating of the efforts made in supporting grassroots women in politics as players commemorated the 16 Days of Activist Gender-Based Violence.



Jane Kamau head of Administration and fellow discussants after the event

In the forum, ORPP through Jane Kamau, on behalf of the Registrar participated in a panel discussion reflecting on the documentary and also gave perspectives of the Office in supporting women including aspirants in their quest for elections and leadership in political parties. "As a mobilizer, you need to fully understand political and electoral processes for you to support your political course. You need also to join and actively participate political parties so as to gain from various ORPP support initiatives such as capacity building for women", said Mrs. Kamau in a panel discussion. The discussions proposed strategies for civic engagement, bridging the gender parity gap in political leadership, addressing gender-based violence in electoral contexts and their life in general.

The film themed- The Women King Makers-Unseen faces, Unread voices, was with support of Canadian High Commission, UN Women. In graphical illustrations, it shone light on efforts of women in political mobilizers in Kenya, examining their substantial impact on the political landscape and underscoring the urgent need to address the gender-based violence faced by politically active women during elections and in their public roles.

# ORPP shares 'homey' moments with "ORPP baby" in a home visit on staff-moved CSR drive

Part of members of the Communication, Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Resource Centre Committee paid a home visit to the family of Warren Kirai Wanjiku on December 5, 2024 at their home in Kiriri village, Ndeiya in Limuru constituency. The student who has been ORPP staff-driven sponsorship through the initiative dubbed "Adopt, Educate and Mentor" (AdEM) since form 1 is now headed to form 3 in January 2025.

The visit was part of the providing holistic support to the student by assessing his welfare especially in the holidays. In the visit, the team shared moments with Warren and the family including issuing some Christmas goodies in form of food items. The team also mentored the beneficiary giving insights of how he would fair well in his studies and overall conduct. "You are a beacon of hope to the entire family, therefore make the best out of this kind support that comes from voluntary and personal contributions from ORPP staff. I convey warm regards and wishes of the ORPP fraternity", said Ms. Beatrice Nderi the Committee Chairperson during the visit.



Beatrice Amollo (Program Coordinator ) shares an ORPP gift hamper to Warren . Looking on is his Uncle and Grand parents



ORPP team shares 'goodies' to the family

" The ORPP see a lot of potential in you. Please remember to support your former primary school that fronted you to ORPP, the family and community while in school and after school", advised Beatrice Amollo, a member of the Committee who has been instrumental in coordinated the programme from its inception. The family, including Warren's grandparents and other relatives were delighted of the visit, noting the sponsorship was life-changing as they would not have managed to educate Warren in a good secondary school.

"Tunashukuru sana na Mola awabariki na awaongezee kwa kutusaidia. Sisi hatuna mali, tunategemea kulima na vibarua vidogo vidogo", heartily appreciated his grandfather.

The "Adopt, Educate and Mentor" (AdEM) initiative was launched in November 2022. It aims to provide education and mentorship to student Warren Kirai throughout his academic journey. Over the past two years, Warren has shown significant progress in his studies and behavior. A comprehensive brief of the initiative since its commencement and progress was shared on staff respective official emails on 3rd December,2024.

# POSTERS

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Garissa team participates in webinar on women leadership and governance in the northern frontier

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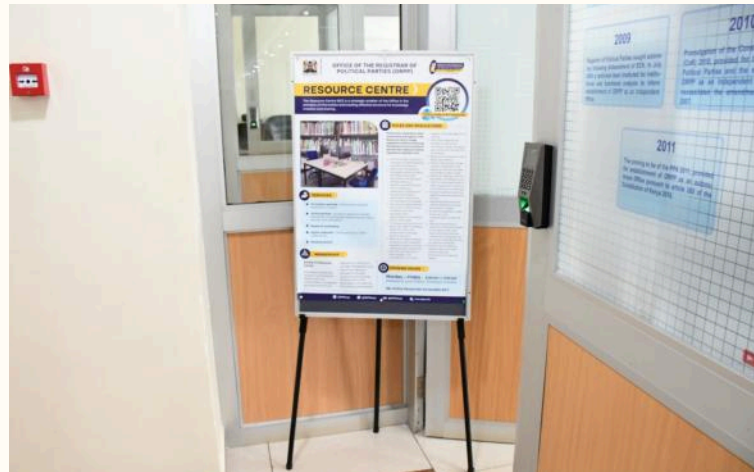
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A promo poster of the Garissa webinar that ORPP Garissa Coordinator participated on 13th December, 2024

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A fake poster that was circulating in some social media platform on 17th December 2024.



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Kenya United Generation Party (KUG)	Green, Brown and Blue		Equality for all Generations	1) Jared Nyabuto Nyankienya 2) Sammy Mwanjaa Mutwanyaa 3) Sharon Jepkorir 4) Fredrick Namanda Wafula 5) Purity Mumba Muthini 6) Wicky Chebet 7) Hezbon Oluoch Ouko 8) Cynthia Wangai 9) Joshua Mwangi Mutiyya 10) Frejastus Kiima
The Future Party (TFP)	Luminous Green, White and Navy Blue		Tuvuke Pamoja	1. Mercy Chiuji 2. Bernard Mutbe 3. Jesse Thuo 4. Deslata Ngatho 5. Diana Kemunto 6. Ibrahim Moses 7. Daniel Mwangi 8. Eunice Barasa 9. Imelda Nyongesa 10. Robinson Makokha 11. Anastacia Jelimo 12. Francis Maina 13. Eric Wanyama

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Merry Christmas wishes from Registrar Ann Nderitu ,CBS

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