

TIMETABLE & SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

FOR 2023 GENERAL ELECTION



By virtue of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended), tenure of the President, Vice President, Governors and Deputy Governors of States of the Federation (except Anambra, Bayelsa, Edo, Ekiti, Imo, Kogi, Ondo and Osun States) will expire on the 28th day of May 2023 while the National and State Assemblies will stand dissolved on the 8th day of June 2023.

Pursuant to Sections 76(2), 116(2), 132(2) and 178(2) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended), elections to the said offices shall hold not earlier than One Hundred and Fifty (150) days and not later than Thirty (30) days before the expiration of the term of office of the last holder of that office. In line with this provision and the Regulations of the Independent National Electoral Commission (hereinafter referred to as “the Commission”), the Presidential and National Assembly elections shall hold on Saturday 25th February 2023 while the Governorship and State Assembly elections shall hold on Saturday 11th March 2023.

The Commission is empowered by Section 28(1) of the Electoral Act 2022 to issue Notice for the elections not later than Three Hundred and Sixty (360) days before the date of the elections.

In exercise of the powers conferred by the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (as amended) and the Electoral Act 2022 and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Commission hereby issues this Timetable and Schedule of Activities for the 2023 General Election.

	Activity	Date	Remark
1	 Notice of Election	28th February 2022	Section 28(1) of the Electoral Act 2022 provides not later than 360 days before the election.
2	 Collection of Forms EC9 (Formerly CF001) and EC9A, 9B, 9C, 9D & 9E (Formerly CF002) for the election by Political Parties from INEC website.	1st March 2022	Collection by Political parties to be issued to their candidates.
3	 Conduct of Party Primaries including resolution of disputes arising from the Primaries.	Commencement date 4th April 2022 End 3rd June 2022	To enable Political Parties democratically nominate candidates for the election as required by Section 84 of the Electoral Act 2022.

4		<p>Submission of Forms EC9 and EC9A, 9B, 9C, 9D & 9E online (Nomination Portal).</p>	<p>Presidential & National Assembly 9.00am 10th June 2022 - 6.00pm 17th June 2022</p> <p>Governorship & State Houses of Assembly 9.00am 1st July 2022 - 6.00pm 15th July 2022</p> <p>Access code for the submission of nomination forms shall be available for collection from 5th June 2022 at the Commission's Headquarters.</p>	<p>Section 29(1) of the Electoral Act 2022 provides for not later than 180 days before the election. EC9 (Personal Particulars of Candidates). EC9A, 9B, 9C, 9D & 9E (Names/List of Nominated Candidates).</p>
5		<p>Publication of Personal Particulars of candidates (EC9) by the Commission.</p>	<p>Presidential & National Assembly 24th June 2022</p> <p>Governorship & State Houses of Assembly 22nd July 2022</p>	<p>Section 29(3) of the Electoral Act 2022 provides for publication within 7 days of the receipt of Form EC9.</p>
6		<p>Last day for withdrawal by candidate(s)/replacement of withdrawn candidate(s) by Political Parties.</p>	<p>Presidential & National Assembly 15th July 2022</p> <p>Governorship & State Houses of Assembly 12th August 2022</p>	<p>Section 31 of the Electoral Act 2022 provides not later than 90 days to the election.</p>
7		<p>Last day for submission of Nomination forms (EC13A, 13B, 13C, 13D & 13E) by Political Parties.</p>	<p>Presidential & National Assembly 8th August 2022</p> <p>Governorship & State Houses of Assembly 18th August 2022</p>	<p>To enable Political Parties comply with Section 30(1) of the Electoral Act 2022.</p>
8		<p>Publication of final list of nominated candidates by the Commission.</p>	<p>Presidential & National Assembly 20th September 2022</p> <p>Governorship & State Houses of Assembly 4th October 2022</p>	<p>Section 32(1) of the Electoral Act 2022 provides at least 150 days before the day of election.</p>
9		<p>Commencement of campaign by Political Parties in public.</p>	<p>Presidential & National Assembly 28th September 2022</p> <p>Governorship & State Houses of Assembly 12th October 2022</p>	<p>Section 94(1) of the Electoral Act 2022. Campaign in public by every political party shall commence 150 days before polling day and end 24 hours prior to that day.</p>

10		Last day for submission of names of Polling Agents for the Election to the Electoral Officer of the Local Government Area by Political Parties through the Commission's dedicated portal.	Presidential & National Assembly 30th December 2022 Governorship & State Houses of Assembly 6th January 2023	Section 43 of the Electoral Act 2022 provides for not later than 14 days before the election.
11		Publication of official Register of Voters for the election by the Commission.	12th January 2023	Section 10(4) of the Electoral Act 2022
12		Publication of Notice of Poll by the Commission.	30th January 2023	Section 44 of the Electoral Act 2022 provides for not later than 14 days before the election.
13		Last day for campaigns by Political Parties.	Presidential & National Assembly 23rd February 2023 Governorship & State Houses of Assembly 9th March 2023	Section 94(1) of the Electoral Act 2022. Campaign in public by every political party shall commence 150 days before polling day and end 24 hours prior to that day.
14		Date of Election	Presidential & National Assembly 25th February 2023 Governorship & State Houses of Assembly 11th March 2023	Sections 76 (1) & (2), 116 (1) & (2), 132 (1) & (2) 178 (1) & (2) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) empower the Commission to appoint dates for Presidential, Governorship, National Assembly and State Houses of Assembly elections not earlier than 150 days and not later than 30 days before the expiration of the term of office of the last holder/before the House stands dissolved.



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