

Islamic Republic of Afghanistan  
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## The Independent Election Commission press release

### Updates on Candidate Nomination Process of WJ elections

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The Independent Election Commission (IEC), based on the electoral timeline of Wolesi Jirga election has all the preparation in hand for conducting of next round of Wolesi Jirga Election on 18 September has. The candidate nomination process has been started form 20<sup>th</sup> April and will run until 5<sup>th</sup> May 2010 with extension of one day for 15 days.

In candidate nomination process the applicants must come in person to IEC provincial offices with completion of all documentary mention in candidate nomination regulation; it is also important to point out that starting from today Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April 6 other days remains for candidate nomination of WJ election and there will be no extension in the process.

According the reports received from nomination center in the 34 provinces (1024) candidates have been officially registered for Wolise Jirga election, which includes (150) women candidates and (150) Kuchis.

Based on the announced wolesi Jirga elections timeline during the 12<sup>th</sup> till 18<sup>th</sup> May 2010 the primary list of candidates will be prepared and publish officially by IEC; after the publication of primary list WJ candidates, the correction and challenges period will be officially starts and will continue till 10 Jun. During mentioned timeframe the candidates has the chance to apply for correction of their amiss information published in the primary list and requests IEC for corrections.

It' is wealth to mention that in the correction and challenges period, all eligible voters and stakeholders have the opportunity to challenge on the eligibility of any candidates published in primary list, the complains form would be available at IEC provincial offices; the filled forms can be submitted to IEC provincial offices or directly sends to ECC.

It is very important to mention that IEC deeply requests from all voters, stakeholders and candidates agents to be active partaker and upgrade the candidate nomination process in 2010 wolesi Jirga Elections and be cooperative with IEC

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