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APC clears LG election in Yobe

The Yobe State Independent Electoral Commission (YSIEC) has announced that the All Progressives Congress (APC) secured all 17 chairmanship seats and 178 councilor positions in the recent election. YSIEC Chairman, Dr. Mamman Mohammed, stated that although other political parties participated, none won any positions

Read more:

<https://guardian.ng/apc-clears-lg-election-in-yobe/>

Nigeria No Longer Needs PVCs For Elections –Yiaga Africa

Yiaga Africa's Executive Director, Samson Itodo has stated on Channels Television's Sunday Politics that with the introduction of the Bi-Modal Voter Accreditation System (BIVAS), the use of Permanent Voters Cards (PVCs) during elections is no longer necessary. He made this comment while discussing the upcoming Edo and Ondo governorship elections later this year.

Read more: <https://dailytrust.com/nigeria-no-longer-needs-pvcs-for-elections-yiaga-africa/>



Political party primaries for Kwara councils' elections begin June 24

Read more:

<https://www.vanguardngr.com/2024/06/political-party-primaries-for-kwara-councils-elections-begin-june-24/amp/>

The Kwara State Independent Electoral Commission (KWSIEC) has announced that political party primaries for the state's local government elections will be held from June 24 to 30, with the elections for chairmen and councilors in the 16 local government areas scheduled for September 21. This was disclosed by the commission's chairman, Muhammed Okanla.

RIVERS: Amid refusal to step down, Gov Fubara, directs LG bosses to hand over to admin heads

Governor Siminalayi Fubara of Rivers State has ordered the 23 local government chairmen to hand over to their heads of administration following the expiration of their three-year tenure. Despite a court directive allegedly extending their terms by six months, Fubara emphasized in a statewide broadcast on Tuesday that their tenure ended on June 17, 2024.

Read more:

<https://www.ripplesnigeria.com/rivers-amid-refusal-to-step-down-gov-fubara-directs-lg-bosses-to-hand-over-to-admin-heads/>



CIFCFIN Partners IPAC to Vet Credentials of Political Candidates Before Primaries

The Chartered Institute of Forensics and Certified Fraud Investigators of Nigeria (CIFCFIN) is collaborating with the Interparty Advisory Council (IPAC) to ensure election candidates have genuine credentials by using advanced forensic tools to vet and authenticate certificates before primary elections. This move follows an incident during the 2019 Bayelsa State gubernatorial election, where the deputy governor-elect was disqualified for presenting forged documents, leading to the opposition candidate being sworn in as governor.

Read more: <https://www.thisdaylive.com/index.php/2024/06/18/cifcfin-partners-ipac-to-vet-credentials-of-political-candidates-before-primaries/>



ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA

ALGON Seeks 4-Year Tenure For LG Officials

The Association of Local Governments of Nigeria (ALGON) has called for a unified four-year tenure for elected local government officials nationwide, emphasizing that this change would enhance governance and representation at the grassroots level. National President Alh. Aminu Muazu-Maifata made this appeal in an interview on Monday in Lafia, urging the National Assembly to amend the constitution to implement this standardization.

Read more:

<https://dailytrust.com/algon-seeks-4-year-tenure-for-lg-officials/>

Edo PDP expels Shaibu, Orbih for anti-party activities

The Edo State Working Committee (SWC) of the People's Democratic Party (PDP) on Wednesday expelled former deputy governor Philip Shaibu and South-South Vice Chairman Dan Orbih for alleged anti-party activities. Additionally, the SWC upheld the expulsion of former House of Representatives member Omoregie Ogbeide-Ihama by Ward 2, Oredo Local Government. The decisions were made during a meeting in Benin, attended by Edo PDP Chairman Tony Aziogbemi and seven other SWC members, including Tony Anenih Jr.

Read more: https://punchng.com/edo-pdp-expels-shaibu-orbih-for-anti-party-activities/?utm_source=auto-read-also&utm_medium=web&utm_campaign=



Imo holds LG elections September 21

Charles Ejiogu, Chairman of the Imo State Independent Electoral Commission, announced during a stakeholders meeting in Owerri on Wednesday that the local government election will take place on September 21. The election will cover 305 wards and 4,758 polling units across the state, marking the fifth such election since Nigeria's return to constitutional governance in 1999.

Read more:

<https://punchng.com/imo-holds-lg-elections-september-21/>



Rivers begins preparation for LG elections

The Rivers State Independent Electoral Commission has initiated the process of conducting local government elections, as announced in a public notice by Chairman Justice Adolphus Enebeli (retd.). This announcement follows Governor Siminalayi Fubara's recent statement, made while swearing in caretaker committee chairmen for the 23 local government councils, that their tenure would be brief due to the upcoming elections.

Read more:

<https://punchng.com/rivers-begins-preparation-for-lg-elections/?am>

Anambra 2025: I'm not running for deputy governor — Ekwunife

Former Senator Uche Ekwunife, representing Anambra Central Senatorial District and Director General of the South East Governors' Forum, has dismissed rumors that she will run for Deputy Governor in the 2025 Anambra State governorship election. Despite remaining a dedicated APC member, Ekwunife clarified she has no intentions of seeking the deputy governor position.

Read more:

<https://tribuneonlineng.com/anambra-2025-im-not-running-for-deputy-governor-ekwunife/>



Countdown to Off-Cycle Governorship Elections 2024

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DAYS TO

Edo State Elections
21st September, 2024

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DAYS TO

Ondo State Elections
16th November, 2024

