

# PRESS RELEASE

The Youth Party is set to conduct its Primary Elections in preparation for the Local Government elections in Ekiti State in line with the Electoral Act (2010) (as amended) and the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) guideline.

Here is to announce that the Youth Party's National Executive Committee (NEC) has issued guidelines for the conduct of the Party's primaries for the Local Government elections in Ekiti State in conformity with the INEC Guidelines on the conduct of party primaries .

Furthermore, in compliance with the Electoral Act (2010) (as amended) and the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) guideline the Timetable and Schedule of activities for the conduct of the 2023 Local Government Primary Elections in Ekiti is as follows:

S/N	ACTIVITIES	TIMELINE
1.	Sale of Forms	11 <sup>th</sup> - 27 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023
2.	Screening	28 <sup>th</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023
3.	Appeals	2 <sup>nd</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> October, 2023
4.	Primaries	5 <sup>th</sup> - 7 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023
5.	Appeals arising from Primaries	8 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023

The Party has made Nomination and Expression of Interest Forms available at the National Secretariat and State Offices from 11<sup>th</sup> July – 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2023.

Find below the fees for the Purchase of Forms:

S/N	Position	Expression of Interest Form	Nomination Form
1.	Chairmanship	N15,000	N150,000
2.	Councillorship	N7,500	N75,000

The Youth Party primaries guideline and further information are available on the Party's website:

Kindly note that the primaries as stated above will be conducted on the basis of One Member One Vote (OMOV); no delegates or super delegates. All party members are entitled to vote. Our Nomination Forms are affordable. Voting will be innovative and convenient as we are adopting electronic means: online and SMS. It will be secured, monitored by candidates and INEC, and secret as required by the law. The guidelines for the primaries are open and accessible for transparency. The members' list/voters list for each constituency or elective position will be available to all aspirants without discrimination.

The Party is committed to expanding the democratic space by providing a level playing field for all aspirants on its platform. We encourage anyone who aspires to contest in a free and fair primaries to join the Party at [www.youthpartyng.com/join-movement/](http://www.youthpartyng.com/join-movement/). Likewise, persons interested in voting for a candidate of their choice in a party primaries without fear or favour, are encouraged to join the Party. The Party preaches transparent political leadership and followership that frowns at money politics, bribery, violence, 'short termism', repression and corruption.