

# UDA KAZI NI KAZI

**PARTY CONSTITUTION** 

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## 1. ESTABLISHMENT

- a. There is established a Political Party known as United Democratic Alliance (UDA) hereinafter referred to as 'the party', which is registered under the Political Parties Act. It shall be a body corporate with a common seal, perpetual succession and may sue and be sued in its corporate name.
- b. The party is founded on the principles of good governance; including equity, diversity, love, unity, freedom, justice, accountability, transparency and peace.
- c. The leadership of the party shall ensure a just and prosperous nation through good governance and nurturing the right social, economic and political atmosphere for a just society to thrive.

## 2. PREAMBLE

- (1) WE, the members of the Party are
  - a. **PROUD** of the ethnic, cultural and religious diversity of Kenya;
  - b. **COMMITTED** to create a better Kenya of equity and inclusivity for the current and future generations;
  - c. **APPRECIATE** that everybody and every hustle matters in the growth and development of our Country;
  - d. **RECOGNISING** the need for honesty, openness, transparency and accountability in political leadership in our Country;
  - e. INSPIRED by the indomitable spirit of hard work and the resilience of the people of Kenya;
  - f. **DRIVEN** by the desire to uphold the fidelity to the rule of law and to protect and implement the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya;
  - g. **EXERCISING** our Political and Social Rights as recognized and guaranteed by the Supreme Law of the Land:
  - h. **DORESOLVE**to form a National, Democratic, Transparent, Accountable and a Representative Political Party to actualize the hopes, dreams and aspirations of the people of Kenya from all walks of life.
  - i. WE FURTHER RESOLVE that the Party shall ensure that the Country remains a united and indivisible State proud of its diversity, and in which all persons regardless of the position, economic or social status enjoys all the rights, freedoms, liberties and protection as set out in the Constitution of Kenya, to the greatest extent permissible under the Law and shall fully participate in the decision-making process of the Country.
  - j. OUR PHILOSOPHY is that everyone in Kenya matters and deserves a chance on the table of decision-making and through the Party; Kenyans of all walks of life shall have the opportunity to contribute to nation building and to better their lives and the lives of future generations.

#### 3. VISION

An equitably empowered Kenyan society living in a peaceful and united Country.



#### 4. MISSION STATEMENT

To facilitate the realisation of fundamental rights, freedoms and potential of Kenyan people through a devolved, accountable and democratic government anchored onto a bottom-up economic model that promotes equal opportunities, improved economic welfare and shared prosperity.





## 5. PARTY SYMBOL, SLOGAN & COLOURS

The party symbol shall be a wheelbarrow symbolizing "The value, dignity and commitment to work in pursuit of an equitable society" and the party slogan shall be "Kazi ni Kazi" meaning every hustle matters:-

The colours shall be—

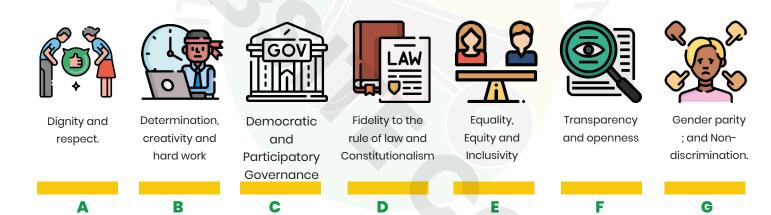
- a. YELLOW (dominant); Represents sun, wealth and justice of our beloved country;
- **b. GREEN** Represents productivity, growth and auspiciousness of our land, Kenya;
- c. BLACK Represents the people's identity and consciousness; and
- d. WHITE Represents peace and unity.

## 6. OFFICES OF THE PARTY

The registered head office of the Party will be based at **Hustler Plaza**, **Ndemi Road off Ngong Road**, **P.O. Box. 37500-00100 Nairobi.** The Party's official website shall be **www.uda.ke** 

## 7. VALUES & PRINCIPLES

(1) The values and principles of the Party are—



# 8. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Party are—

- a. To promote a just, democratic, constitutional and equal society;
- b. To build a fair, remunerative and competitive economy that rewards effort and enterprise;
- c. To transform state and governance from a system that protects the power and privilege of the few to a people-centered service-delivery system;
- d. To lead with humility, by faith and example, and inspire all of us to be the change we want to be:
- e. To rise together as a nation that treasures and celebrates its diversity and affirms the dignity of every individual and community as equal before one another as we are before God:
- f. To establish a democratic, people driven and inclusive Government of the people of Kenya, based on principles of integrity and equity;
- g. To pursue and protect basic human rights and freedoms of life, worship, movement, association and human dignity;
- h. To promote constitutionalism, good governance and protect civil, political, economic, religious and cultural rights of every Kenyan;
- i. To guarantee and protect the national heritage, resources and environment, security and equality before the law;



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- j. To promote good working conditions and basic human rights and freedoms, without any form of discrimination based on creed, colour, gender, race, or tribe;
- k. To be committed to legal and regulatory reforms;
- I. To ensure full participation of women, youth and persons living with disability in the governance of the state;
- m. To pursue and guarantee provision of free health care, basic education and welfare services to ensure dignified quality standard of life for all Kenyans and to recognize every economic activity and nurture the same;
- n. To promote, establish and pursue a just government, free of corruption, committed to high moral standards and observance of the established laws;
- o. To promote peace, reconciliation, cohesion and integration of all communities;
- p. To secure and affirm independent institutions for effective operation of government;
- q. To nominate, sponsor and field party members as candidates for presidential, parliamentary and county elections;
- r. To uphold the two-third gender principle in all structures and organs of the party; and
- s. To ensure full participation of women, youth, people living with disability, and minorities in the programs, activities and governance of the party; and such other objectives as shall be determined by the members through the various organs of the party.

## 9. MEMBERSHIP

- a. Membership to the party is open to all Kenyans irrespective of colour, creed, gender, or race;
- b. Any adult Kenyan citizen upon application and are prepared to abide by this constitution and any other rules made thereunder;
- c. Any person who has manifested a clear identification with the Party and its principles, policies and programs may apply for membership, all members shall subscribe to the Party's Code of Conduct and pledge of commitment;
- d. All members shall pay the membership fee as shall be prescribed by the National Executive Committee.

#### 10. APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

- (1) To apply to be a member of the party, one shall follow the procedure outlined below
  - a. One can apply for membership in person, in writing or electronically to the authorized member the Party from Counties or the National Executive Committee (NEC);
  - b. The National Executive Committee (NEC) has the right to allow or reject any application for membership based on the rules and regulations as established in this constitution. This role may be delegated to a committee created by NEC and the party will develop the membership guideline;
  - c. Membership shall be renewable within the time frame set up by the party. A member may be issued with a Party membership card;
  - d. The Party shall determine the different types of membership and membership fees to be paid by each category of members;
  - e. The Membership Register shall contain details on; Identification, Region, Ethnicity, Persons Living with Disability, Gender and County; and
  - f. There shall be a continuous update of the membership register.

## 11. RIGHTS OF A PARTY MEMBER

- (1) A member subject to relevant regulations is entitled to
  - a. Participate in Party activities and meetings;
  - b. Participate actively and effectively in the discussion, formulation and implementation of

- Party policies and programs;
- c. Access Party documents including the Constitution, Members Guide, Election and Nomination Rules, Party Manifesto, circulars, memoranda and other relevant materials and information about their local branch upon formal request to the authorized Party office bearer:
- d. Submit proposals or statements to the Constituency Secretary, County Secretary, or NEC provided such proposals are submitted through the appropriate structures and follow established protocol in the Party;
- e. Participate in elections and be eligible for Party elections at all levels upon nomination subject to this Constitution;
- f. Every applicant for membership shall be bound by this Constitution including the Party's principles, vision, mission, values, and objectives and to undertake to support the Party's candidates at elections.
- g. Every member shall be entitled to participate in any election of the Party.
- h. Every member shall be entitled to seek and to vote in any elective position in the Party,
- i. Every member shall be entitled to inspect the Party's Constitution,
- j. Party Register, Party Manifesto and audited financial documents upon formal request with appropriate notices to the relevant organ,
- k. Every member is entitled to apply for the Party nomination to any elective position in the general or by-elections.

## 12. DUTIES OF A PARTY MEMBER

- (1) A member of the Party shall
  - a. Take all necessary steps to understand and carry out the aims, policies and programs of the party.
  - b. Explain the objectives, policies and programs of the Party to potential members or supporters and the general public.
  - c. Combat negative propaganda detrimental to the interest of the party and defend the aims, policies and programs of the Party.
  - d. Popularize the Party.
  - e. Observe discipline, comply with the Party's Code of Conduct and obey decisions of the Party.
  - f. Refrainfrom publishing and or distributing through any media platform without appropriate authorization, any information deemed confidential, or any views purporting to be the views of the party.
  - g. Register as a voter and take part in the Party and all other electoral processes at all levels.
  - h. Abide by the rules, regulations and decisions of the caucus they belong to in case of elected leaders.
  - i. Members of the Party elected as Member of County Assembly, Members of Parliament and Governor shall provide strategic leadership and work with the Party officials in their respective electoral areas to promote the Party and its programs except in all matters relating to party elections.
  - j. Be liable to pay such fees as shall be prescribed by the Party.
  - k. Support the Party financially and materially when called upon for a good cause.
  - I. Not to promote policies, manifesto and interest of other parties.
  - m. Not to support the candidature of another political party unless otherwise decided by the Party.

## 13. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

- (1) One shall cease to be a member
  - a. By resignation in writing to the Party office nearest to him, and the membership of such person shall terminate with effect from the date of the receipt thereof, provided that the termination shall not absolve the member from performing any outstanding obligations owed to the Party or other members. Where such a member is an official of the party, their

- membership shall terminate upon their resignation as an official taking effect.
- b. By a resolution passed by the National Executive Committee.
- c. By accepting an office, subscribing to or promoting activities of another political party.
- d. By death.
- e. By operation of any law.
- f. A person whose membership has been terminated shall not be entitled to a refund of the fees or subscriptions made by him to the Party prior to termination, and all rights, privileges and responsibilities or facilities granted to or enjoyed by virtue of membership shall automatically terminate with effect from the date of acceptance of the resignation.
- g. A person who terminates membership shall return all Party property in his custody, possession or control, failure to which the Party shall have a right to lay claim against such person for any money due or owing to the Party or for any damage or loss occasioned to the Party property which was in custody, possession or control prior to termination of membership.
- h. Upon termination of membership, a member's name shall be struck off the Register of Party Members and such decision shall be communicated to the Registrar of Political Parties.
- i. The National Executive Committee shall formulate appropriate rules and regulations for the effective application of this Article.

## 14. ORGANS OF THE PARTY

- (1) The following Party organs are hereby established
  - a. National Delegates Congress;
  - b. National Governing Council;
  - c. National Executive Committee;
  - d. National Steering Committee;
  - e. National Policy Committee;
  - f. Governors and Deputy Governors Caucus;
  - g. Parliamentary Group Caucus
  - h. County Assembly Caucus;
  - i. Women Congress;
  - j. Youth Congress;
  - k. County Congress;
  - Constituency Congress;
  - m. Ward Congress;
  - n. Polling Centre Committee;
  - o. Diaspora Congress;
  - p. Persons with Disability Congress;
  - q. National Elections Board;
  - r. National Secretariat;
  - s. Internal Dispute Resolution Committee;
  - t. Disciplinary Committee; and
  - u. Electoral and Nomination Dispute Resolution Committee.

## 15. THE NATIONAL DELEGATES CONGRESS

- a. There is established the National Delegates Congress (NDC) which is the supreme organ of the Party.
- b. The National Delegates Congress shall consist of the following national officials elected by the NDC from among its members—
  - 1. Party Leader;
  - 2. First Deputy Party Leader Policy and Strategy
  - 3. Second Deputy Party Leader Programs & Operations
  - 4. National Chairperson;
  - 5. Deputy Chairperson Policy & Strategy;
  - 6. Deputy Chairperson Operations;



- Deputy Chairperson- Programs;
- 8. Secretary General;
- 9. Deputy Secretary General Policy & Strategy;
- 10. Deputy Secretary General Operations;
- 11. Deputy Secretary General- Programs;
- 12. National Treasurer;
- 13. Deputy National Treasurer- Policy & Strategy;
- 14. Deputy National Treasurer- Operations;
- 15. Deputy National Treasurer- Programs;
- 16. National Organizing Secretary;
- 17. Deputy National Organizing Secretary-Policy & Strategy
- 18. Deputy National Organizing Secretary- Operations
- 19. Deputy National Organizing Secretary- Programs
- 20. Secretary for Women Affairs
- 21. Secretary Youth Affairs, Sports and Culture;
- 22. Secretary for Persons with Disability
- 23. Secretary for legal affairs;
- 24. Secretary for Economic Affairs and Planning;
- 25. Secretary for Devolution & Intergovernmental Relations;
- 26. Secretary for Lands, Housing and Urban Planning;
- 27. Secretary for International and Diaspora Affairs;
- 28. Secretary for Energy, Petroleum and Mining;
- 29. Secretary for Information, Communication and Technology;
- 30. Secretary for Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries;
- 31. Secretary for Water and Sanitation;
- 32. Secretary for Transport and Infrastructure;
- 33. Secretary for Tourism, Environment and Natural Resources;
- 34. Secretary for Education;
- 35. Secretary for Health;
- 36. Secretary for Micro Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), Trade and Industrialization;
- 37. Secretary for Labour and Social Services;
- 38. Secretary for Persons with Disabilities;
- 39. The National Policy Committee; and
- 40. Executive Director.
- 41. Elected Governors and Deputy Governors
- 42. Members of the Senate
- 43. Members of the National Assembly
- 44. Members of the County Assembly
- 45. County Executive Committee
- 46. Constituency Executive Committee

The provisions of 15 (46) and (47) above shall be subject to a weighted formula as may be provided for in the NDC regulations.

#### 16. FUNCTIONS OF THE NATIONAL DELEGATES CONGRESS

- (1) The National Delegates Congress shall be the supreme organ of the Party. It shall have the following powers and duties
  - a. To review, formulate, and or approve all the policies of the Party;
  - b. To elect from among its eligible members, the Party Leader and other National Officials in accordance with this Constitution;
  - c. To receive reports from the National Governing Council and the National Executive Committee on the operations of the Party;
  - d. To consider any such other matters as may be referred to it by the National Governing Council; and
  - e. The Elected National Official shall serve for a term of five (5) years unless extended by the NDC.

## 17. MEETINGS OF THE NATIONAL DELEGATES CONGRESS

- a. An Ordinary Session of the National Delegates Congress shall be convened by a resolution of the National Executive Committee, and be held at least twice in every five (5) years. The notice convening the meeting may be issued by the Secretary General, at least Twenty -One (21) days before the date of the meeting.
- b. The National Executive Committee shall prepare the agenda which shall be adopted for discussion at the Ordinary Session of the National Delegates Congress.
- c. Any Special Session of the National Delegates Congress shall be summoned upon a resolution of at least two thirds of the National Executive Committee members or upon a requisition in writing signed by at least one third of the delegates eligible to attend an Ordinary Session of such an organ.
- d. The notice and agenda convening the meeting may be issued by the Secretary General and in the case of a petitioned Special Delegates Congress (SDC), the Secretary General shall issue a seven (7) days' notice before such date.
- e. Where delegates requisition a Special Session of the National Delegates Congress, a notice calling upon the National Chairperson to summon the Congress including the agenda and date desired for the congress shall be served upon the Secretary General not later than sixty (60) working days before the date proposed.
- f. Where the National Chairperson fails to summon the Congress within twenty-one (21) working days after due service of the notice, the Congress shall stand duly summoned and properly convened on a date, place and time to be contained in the notice.
- g. Where a Special Session of the National Delegates Congress requisitioned by delegates is convened in default of the National Chairperson summoning the same, the delegates requisitioning the Congress shall, cause a notice convening the Congress to be published at least twice in a daily newspaper with the greatest circulation and in at least two radio broadcasts carried by a leading broadcasting station. Provided always that such notice shall contain the agenda, venue, date and time for the Congress.
- h. Only agenda items prepared 14 days before the meeting by the National Executive Committee or as may be requisitioned by delegates shall be discussed at the Special Session of the National Delegates Congress.
- i. The Party Leader or, in their absence, the Deputy Party Leader shall preside at a Special Session of the National Delegates Congress requisitioned by delegates.
- j. The Secretary General or, in their absence any of their deputies shall be the Secretary of such Congress.
- k. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the National Delegates Congress shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- I. The National Delegates Congress may make its own rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings.

# 18. THE NATIONAL GOVERNING COUNCIL (NGC)

- a. There shall be a National Governing Council which shall be the second highest organ of the Party.
- b. The National Governing Council (NGC) shall consist of the following members
  - i. National Executive Committee;
  - ii. All Party elected Governors and Deputy Governors, Senators, and Members of National Assembly;
  - iii. County Assemblies' Leader of Majority/Minority and Whips; and,
  - iv. The Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and Organizing Secretary of every County

## 19. FUNCTIONS OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNING COUNCIL

- (1) The functions of the National Governing Council are as follows—
  - To review and/or formulate policies of the Party for the approval by the National Delegates Congress;
  - b. To initiate all such activities as may further the objectives of the Party;
  - c. To monitor the general activities of the Party on behalf of the National Delegates Congress and to provide direction for such activities;
  - d. To make policy and administrative decisions on behalf of the National Delegates Congress which (in the opinion of the National Executive Committee) cannot wait until the next National Delegates Congress; and
  - e. To rally the party around issues of national importance and give general direction on such issues.

## 20. MEETINGS OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNING COUNCIL

- (1) The meetings of the National Governing Council shall be
  - a. Convened by a resolution of the National Executive Committee. The notice convening the meeting shall be sent out by the National Executive Committee, at least seven days (7) days before the date of the meeting.
  - b. The National Executive Committee shall prepare the agenda which shall be adopted for discussion at the Ordinary Session of the National Governing council
  - c. Any Special Session of the National Governing council shall be summoned upon a resolution of at least two thirds of the respective Executive Committee members or upon a requisition in writing signed by at least one third of the delegates eligible to attend an Ordinary Session of such an organ.
  - d. The notice and agenda convening the meeting may be sent out by the Secretary General and in the case of a petitioned Special Governing Council meeting, the Secretary General may issue a seven (7) days' notice before such date.
  - e. Where members of the National Governing Council requisition a Special Session of the National Governing council, a notice calling upon the National Chairperson to summon the Congress including the agenda and date desired for the congress shall be served upon the Secretary General not later than sixty (60) working days before the date proposed.
  - f. Where the National Chairperson fails to summon the Council within twenty-one (21) working days after due service of the notice, the Council shall stand duly summoned and properly convened on a date, place and time to be contained in the notice.
  - g. Where a Special Session of the National Governing council requisitioned by delegates is convened in default of the National Chairperson summoning the same, the members of the National Governing Council requisitioning the Council shall, not less than twenty-one working days before the proposed date, cause a notice convening the Council to be published in at least twice in a daily newspaper with the greatest circulation and in at least two radio broadcasts carried by a leading broadcasting station. Provided always that such notice shall contain the agenda, venue, date and time for the Council.
  - h. Only agenda items prepared 14 days before the meeting by the National Executive Committee or as may be requisitioned by members of the National Governing Council shall be discussed at the Special Session of the National Governing council.
  - i. The Party leader shall preside at every meeting of the National Governing Council at which he is present and in the absence of the Party leader at a meeting, the Deputy Party Leader, shall preside.
  - j. The Secretary General or, in their absence any of their deputies shall be the Secretary of such Congress.
  - k. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the National Governing Council shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at

- commencement.
- I. The National Governing Council may make its own rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings.

## 21. THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- There is established the National Executive Committee (NEC) which shall be the governing body of the Party that makes binding decisions on Party management and its policies. The National Executive Committee shall consist of
  - a. National Officials:
  - b. The Parliamentary Group Party Leaders and Whips;
  - c. The Governors' Caucus Chairperson and Whip;
  - d. The Chairperson and Whip of the County Assembly Caucus; and
  - e. The Executive Director who shall be ex-officio.
- 2. The members of the National Executive Committee shall hold office for a period of five years renewable once.

## 22. FUNCTIONS OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- (1) The National Executive Committee shall
  - a. Be in charge of the Secretariat.
  - b. Provide Party policies, political guidance to the Party, Party membership, bodies and committees formed by the Party, communications made to state bodies and others, regional, international cooperation with governments, and partners.
  - c. Appoint party officials as and when a vacancy arises pending ratification by the National Delegates Congress.
  - d. Ensure that relevant constitutional and valid recommendations of the National Delegates Congress and the National Governing Council are carried out and Party policies adhered to:
  - e. Work with the other organs of the Party to ensure harmony and cohesiveness of the activities and decisions of the Party.
  - f. Call any special sittings of the Party organs as and when needed.
  - g. Receive, consider, approve, and implement reports from various committees as well as advise the National Governing Council accordingly on the reports and their decisions;
  - h. Set dates, agenda, reports and determine the venues for the National Governing Council and National Delegate Congress meetings;
  - i. To approve the terms and conditions of services of the staff members employed by the Party;
  - j. Submit quarterly reports of the status of the party activities to the National Governing Council;
  - k. To appoint, create and establish as well as abolish other committees, Chapters or Party Organs as it deems necessary from time to time for specified tasks and to determine their terms of reference:
  - I. To receive, consider, approve and implement reports and recommendations from various standing, ad hoc and specialized committees or individuals;
  - m. To receive and approve the annual financial budget, audited accounts and programs for the Party;
  - n. To liaise and coordinate with the National Elections Board in order to ensure a free, fair and transparent election of Party officials and nominations at all levels;
  - o. To appoint Party representatives to other organizations to which the Party relates:
  - p. To establish, coordinate and conduct various schemes aimed at stimulating Party activities;
  - q. To make or cause to be made rules and/or regulations for prescribing anything which requires to be prescribed under this Constitution and generally for the better carrying out of the provisions of this Constitution and matters incidental thereto;
  - r. To designate any of the deputies to act and undertake the duties and roles of the respective substantive office holders or in the absence of deputies, any other official to act where circumstances warrants or where in the opinion of National Executive Committee the

- office holder is unable to perform the duties of that office;
- s. To approve application, recognition and coordination of the diaspora Congress of the party.
- t. To receive, ratify, alter, substitute or vary the decisions of the Disciplinary Committee or any other organ, committee or official of the party on appeal.

# 23. MEETING OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (NEC)

- a. National Executive Committee (NEC) shall meet as many times as may be necessary. The current National Executive Committee (NEC) shall remain in office until the Party conducts elections; and,
- b. An Ordinary Session of the National Executive Committee may be convened and presided over by the National Chairperson. The notice convening the meeting may be issue by the Secretary General at least seven (7) days before the date of the meeting.
- c. The National Steering Committee shall prepare the agenda which shall be adopted for discussion at the Ordinary Session of the National Executive Committee
- d. A Special Session of the National Executive Committee shall be summoned upon a resolution of at least two thirds of the National Steering Committee members or upon a requisition in writing signed by at least 25% of the National Executive Committee members.
- e. In the case of a petitioned Special National Executive Committee meeting, the Secretary General may a notice at any time before such date.
- f. Where the National Chairperson fails to convene the special Committee Meeting within seven (7) working days after due service of the notice, the Committee shall stand duly summoned and properly convened on a date, place and time to be contained in the notice. (Chairs)
- g. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the National Executive Committee shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- h. The National Executive Committee may make its own rules and regulations to govern the conduct of their meetings.

# 24. THE NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE (NSC)

- There is hereby established a standing Committee called the National Steering Committee, which shall be chaired and presided over by the National Chairperson, and shall consist of
  - a. The National Chairperson;
  - b. The Secretary General;
  - c. The National Treasurer;
  - d. The Organizing Secretary;
  - e. Five (5) other members to be appointed by the National Executive Committee from among the members of National Executive Committee with competencies in relevant fields of representation;
  - f. The Executive Director who shall be an ex officio member; and
  - g. The members of the National Steering Committee shall hold office for a period of five years renewable once.
- 2. The meetings of the National Steering Committee shall be convened and chaired by the Party Chairperson or in their absence by the Secretary General or as shall be directed by the National Executive Committee (NEC).
- 3. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the National Steering Committee shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.

4. The National Steering Committee may make its own rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings and deliberations.

## 25. THE ROLES AND DUTIES OF THE NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE

- (1) The roles and duties of the National steering committee shall be
  - a. Acting on behalf of the National Executive Committee (NEC) on urgent matters where in their opinion, the National Executive Committee (NEC) cannot be sufficiently convened to undertake such urgent matters;
  - b. Convening short notice executive meetings to execute the mandate of the National Executive Committee (NEC);
  - c. Setting the agenda of National Executive Committee (NEC);
  - d. Oversee the management and supervision of the party affairs on behalf of The National Executive Committee (NEC);
  - e. Approve budgetary plans on behalf of the National Executive Committee (NEC); and
  - f. Perform any such other function as shall be directed by The National Executive Committee (NEC).

## 26. NATIONAL POLICY COMMITTEE

- 1. There is hereby established a National Policy Committee (NPC).
- 2. National Policy Committee (NPC) members shall be appointed by the Party Leader and approved by the National Executive Committee (NEC) from among party members to serve for a term of five (5) years renewable only once.
- 3. The National Policy Committee (NPC) shall consist of
  - a. Chairperson;
  - b. Deputy Chairperson;
  - c. Seven other members, all of whom have considerable experience in party matters and policy development; and
  - d. The National Policy Committee (NPC) has the power to incorporate to its membership experts and technical persons with particular expertise when examining specific policy.
- 4. The members of National Policy Committee (NPC) shall sit in all party organs including the National Delegate Congress, National Governing Council and National Executive Committee or as the case may be to provide technical, strategic guidance and advice to such organs but without voting rights.
- 5. The Chairperson of the National Policy Committee (NPC) shall convene all the meetings and, in their absence, the vice chairperson shall convene.
- 6. The National Policy Committee (NPC) shall convene its sittings and execute its roles independent of other party organs.
- 7. The National Policy Committee (NPC) shall be resourced by the National Secretariat in all its activities.

# 27. ROLE OF THE NATIONAL POLICY COMMITTEE

- (1) The National Policy Committee shall
  - a. Facilitate policy formulation, development, review and strategic framework;
  - b. Provide technical advice to the National Executive Committee on policy and strategy issues by the government;
  - c. In conjunction with the National Executive Committee conduct regular policy forums in which participation is encouraged;
  - d. To serve as an intermediary and formal consultative mechanism among party affiliated organizations, the Party and other entities;
  - e. To translate the party manifesto post-election into a strategic development blueprint and closely monitor its implementation in the medium term;
  - f. Develop policies inter alia; Human Resource Policy, Finance and Audit Policy and Asset

- Management Policies.
- g. Meetings of the National Policy Committee shall be convened and chaired by the Committee's Chairperson or in their absence by the Deputy Chair Person or as shall be directed by the National Executive Committee (NEC);
- h. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the National Policy Committee shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- i. The National Policy Committee may make its own rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings and deliberations provided that such rules shall be laid before the National Executive Committee for approval, deposited at the Registrar of Political Party's office and Published at the Party website.

## 28. THE GOVERNORS' CAUCUS

 There shall be a caucus of Governors and Deputy Governors elected on the Party ticket to be known as the Governors Caucus which shall meet at least once every year or as may be convened by the National Executive Committee (NEC).

## 29. MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNORS' CAUCUS

- a. National Executive Committee shall convene the inaugural meeting within 90 days of declaration of results of a general election. The agenda of the meeting shall be to elect
  - i. The chairperson;
  - ii. The deputy chairperson and
  - iii. The whip
- b. The Secretary General may, before the date of the meeting, prepare and send out a Seven (7) days' notice convening the Governors' Caucus meeting.
- c. The Caucus shall take position on matters affecting Counties in line with that of the Party and should not oppose without justification the Party position and policy as are communicated in writing.
- d. Decisions on any matter shall be determined by consensus or a simple majority vote and the same be communicated in writing to all members.
- e. The Governors Caucus shall review and advise the Party on the implementation of the party policies and manifesto.
- f. The Party Leader may convene the Governors' Caucus and invite other party officials to attend the meeting.
- g. The Chairperson of the Governors' Caucus shall preside over any meetings where the Party Leader is not in attendance, in the absence of the Chairperson of the Caucus the Deputy Chairperson shall preside and in the event the Chairperson and the Deputy are absent, the Caucus shall elect a chairperson to preside.
- h. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the Governors' Caucus shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- i. The Governors' Caucus may make its own rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings and deliberations provided that such rules shall be laid before the National Executive Committee for approval.

# 30. PARLIAMENTARY GROUP CAUCUS

1. There is hereby established a Parliamentary Group consisting of Members of the National Assembly and Senate elected on the Party ticket as well as members of the East African Legislative Assembly nominated by the Party.

#### 31. MEETING OF THE PARLIAMENTARY CAUCUS

- a. The National Executive Committee shall within ninety (90) days of the declaration of results of a general election, convene a meeting of the Parliamentary Group Caucus at a place as shall be determined by it, at which meeting the agenda shall be
  - i. Election of the party leaders in the National Assembly and the Senate;
  - ii. Election of Party Whips for each House;
  - iii. Election of Deputy Party Whips for each House; and,
  - iv. Secretary to the Parliamentary Group.
- b. The Secretary General may, before the date of the meeting, prepare and issue a
- c. Seven (7) days' notice convening the Parliamentary group meeting.
- d. There shall be regular meetings of the parliamentary group to discuss parliamentary business and develop positions on matters of national interest.
- e. The Party Leader may convene and preside over the parliamentary group at any time to discuss any matter.
- f. The parliamentary group meeting may be convened by any of the parliamentary leaders to discuss parliamentary business.
- g. The parliamentary leaders of the respective houses may convene the relevant house caucuses to discuss House Specific agenda.
- h. The Party Leader is at liberty to attend and preside over any parliamentary group caucus meeting.
- i. The Parliamentary leaders shall preside over any Parliamentary Group Caucus meeting in which the Party Leader is not in attendance.
- j. Any member with the support of one-third of the members of the parliamentary group caucus may petition to convene a parliamentary group caucus. If the quorum is attained, any of the parliamentary leaders may preside and, in their absence, the members present shall elect a session chair.
- k. A Member of the National Assembly or Senate shall support and promote the position and policy of the Party.
- l. Party positions shall be agreed on at meetings of the Party Parliamentary Group or house caucuses, decisions on any matter shall be determined by consensus or a simple majority vote and the same be communicated in writing to all members.
- m. The Parliamentary Group caucus shall meet at least four (4) times every year.
- n. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the Parliamentary Group Caucus shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- o. The Parliamentary Group may make its own rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings and deliberations provided that such rules shall be tabled before the National Executive Committee for approval, deposited at the Office of the Registrar and published in the Party's website.

## 32. COUNTY ASSEMBLY CAUCUS

 There is hereby established a County Assembly caucus which shall consist of Members of the County Assemblies elected on the Party ticket.

#### 33. MEETING OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY CAUCUS

- a. The National Executive Committee shall within ninety (90) days of the declaration of results of a general election, convene a meeting of the County Assembly Caucus at a place as shall be determined by it. at which meeting the agenda shall be
  - i. Election of the Chairperson;



- ii. Election of the deputy Chairperson; and
- iii. Election of the Whip.
- b. The Secretary General shall, before the date of the meeting, prepare and send out a Seven (7) days' notice convening the County Assembly Caucus meeting.
- c. The Chairperson of the Caucus shall preside over the meetings of the County Assembly Caucus, in their absence the Deputy Chairperson shall preside and in the event both of them are absent, the meeting shall elect a Chairperson to preside.
- d. The Caucus shall take position on matters affecting Counties in line with that of the Party and should not oppose without justification the Party position and policy as are communicated in writing.
- e. Decisions on any matter shall be determined by consensus or a simple majority vote and the same be communicated in writing to all members.
- f. The Party Leader may convene and preside over the County Assembly caucus at any time to discuss any matter.
- g. The County Assembly leaders of the respective County Assemblies may convene the relevant house caucuses to discuss House Specific agenda.
- h. Any member with the support of one-third of the members of the County Assembly caucus may petition to convene a County Assembly caucus. If the quorum is attained, any of the county assembly leaders may preside and, in their absence, the members present shall elect a session chair.
- i. Party positions shall be agreed on at meetings of the County Assembly caucus where indecisions on any matter shall be determined by consensus or a simple majority vote.
- j. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the National Policy Committee shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- k. The County Assembly Caucus may make its own rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings and deliberations provided that such rules shall be tabled before the National Executive Committee for approval.

# 34. THE NATIONAL WOMEN CONGRESS (NWC)

- There is established the National Women's Congress which shall consist of all women members of the Party.
- 2. The Congress shall have an Executive Committee of the Congress which shall consist of
  - i. The National Officials being;
  - ii. Secretary for Women affairs as convener;
  - iii. All Elected and Nominated Women National Leaders;
  - iv. Elected Women Party Governors, Senators or Members of Parliament, East African Legislative Assembly Members and Members of County Assemblies; and
  - v. Women members of all National organs of the Party including the County, Constituency Ward Executive Committees.

## 35. MEETINGS OF THE WOMEN CONGRESS

- a. The Secretary, Women Affairs and Gender, shall convene the National Women Congress at least thrice every year, in consultation with the National Executive Committee (NEC) or from time to time as shall be directed by the National Executive Committee (NEC).
- b. The Secretary, Women Affairs shall, before the date of the meeting, prepare and sent out a Seven (7) days' notice convening the County the National Women League Congress meeting.
- c. The Secretary, women Affairs and Gender shall prepare the agenda of the meeting which shall be adopted for discussion at the meeting.
- d. The National executive Council shall, convene the inaugural meeting within 90 days of declaration of results of a general election to elect—
  - The Chairperson who shall also be the Secretary Women Affairs;

- ii. The deputy Chairperson; and,
- iii. Other office bearers as may be determined by the National Women Congress
- e. The Meetings of the National Women Congress shall be presided over by the Chairperson of the Congress, in their absence, the Deputy Chairperson shall preside and, in the event, both are absent, the meeting shall elect a chairperson to preside.
- f. Decisions on any matter at the meetings shall be determined by consensus or simple majority. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the National Women Congress shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- g. The National Women League Congress may make its own rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings and deliberations provided that such rules shall be laid before the National Executive Committee for approval.

# 36. FUNCTIONS OF THE NATIONAL WOMEN CONGRESS (NWC)

- 1. The National Women Congress shall mobilize women to
  - a. Popularize the party and recruit members;
  - b. Articulate special interest and needs of women for incorporation into Party policy;
  - c. Educate and sensitize women on Party policies and the need for their participation in Party and national matters;
  - d. Advise all Party organs on matters relating to women; and
  - e. Such other roles as may be assigned by the National Executive Committee (NEC).

# 37. THE NATIONAL YOUTH CONGRESS (NYC)

- 1. There is established the National Youth Congress (NYC) which shall consist of all party members who have attained the age of eighteen years but have not attained the age of thirty-five years.
- 2. There is established an executive committee of the youth congress which shall consist of
  - a. The Secretary Youth Affairs;
  - b. All National Youth Leaders;
  - c. Elected Youth Party Governors, Senators or Members of Parliament;
  - d. Elected Youth Members of County Assemblies; and
  - e. Youth members of the County, Constituency and Ward Executive Committees.

## 38. MEETINGS OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH CONGRESS

- a. The Secretary Youth Affairs at the National Office in consultation with the National Executive Committee (NEC) shall convene and preside over the National Youth Congress.
- b. The National Youth Congress shall be convened at least twice every year or from time to time as shall be approved by the National Executive Committee (NEC).
- c. The Secretary, Youth Affairs shall, before the date of the meeting, prepare and issue a Seven (7) days' notice convening the County the National Youth Congress meeting.
- d. The Secretary, Youth Affairs shall prepare the agenda of the meeting which shall be adopted for discussion at the meeting.
- e. The National Executive Council to convene the inaugural meeting within 90 days of declaration of results of a general election to elect
  - i. The Chairperson who shall also be the Secretary Youth Affairs;
  - ii. The deputy Chairperson; and
  - iii. Other office bearers as may be determined by the Members of the National Youth Congress
- f. Members of the National Youth Congress who attain the age of 35 years shall cease to be members of the Congress. Secretary Youth affairs shall convene a meeting to conduct an



- election in the event such a member was an official of the Congress.
- g. The Meetings of the National Youth Congress shall be presided over by the Chairperson of the Congress, in their absence the Deputy Chairperson shall preside and, in the event, both are absent, the meeting shall elect a Chairperson to Preside.
- h. Decisions on any matter at the meetings shall be determined by consensus or simple majority.
- i. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the National Youth Congress shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- j. The National Youth Congress may make its own rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings and deliberations provided that such rules shall be tabled before the National Executive Committee for approval.

## 39. FUNCTIONS OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH CONGRESS

- 1. The National Youth Congress shall
  - a. Popularize and recruit members to the party;
  - b. Mobilize youth in order to participate in formulation of youth policies;
  - c. Guide the Party in special needs and interests' peculiar to the youth in the Formulation of party policies;
  - d. Organize relevant activities and programs for the youth in the country in liaison with the National Executive Committee; and
  - e. Such other roles as may be assigned by the National Executive Committee.

## **40. PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES CONGRESS**

- a. There is hereby established the Persons with Disabilities Congress (PWDC).
- b. Membership to the PWDC shall be open to all members of the party certified to be living with disabilities by the National Council for Persons with Disabilities.
- c. The PWDC shall be convened at least twice a year with an inaugural meeting being convened for purposes electing the PWDC officials as the congress may determine.
- d. The officials shall hold office for a term of five years and shall be eligible for re- election upon expiry of their term subject to a maximum of two terms.
- e. The Chairperson of the PWDC shall preside over the meetings of the PWDC, in their absence, the Deputy Chairperson shall preside and in the event both are absent, the meeting shall elect a Chairperson to preside
- f. Quorum for the meetings of PWDC shall be 50% of the membership at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the meeting shall proceed notwithstanding that the quorum of 50% of the membership at commencement entitled to attend shall not have been achieved.
- g. Decisions on any matter at the meetings shall be determined by consensus or simple majority.
- h. The PWDC may make its own rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings and deliberations provided that such rules shall be laid before the National Executive Committee for approval.

## 41. THE COUNTY CONGRESS

- There is established a County Congress in every county.
  - a. The County Congress shall comprise the Twenty (20) Constituency Committee Members drawn from each Constituency in the County in addition to the Governor, Deputy Governor, Senator(s) and Woman Representative.

- b. The County Congress shall elect from among themselves thirteen (13) officials and seven (7) members from whom at least three (3) shall be of the opposite gender to constitute the County Executive Committee provided that the seven (7) members reflect the diversity of the county
- c. The County Executive Committee shall comprise of
  - i. Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson each of the opposite gender;
  - ii. Secretary and Deputy Secretary each of the opposite gender;
  - iii. Treasurer;
  - iv. Organizing Secretary;
  - v. Representative of Youth;
  - vi. Representative of Women;
  - vii. Representative of Persons with Disability;
  - viii. Representative of MSMEs;
  - ix. Representative of farmers;
  - x. Representative of the religious groups;
  - xi. Representative of professional groups.
  - xii. Seven (7) members with at least three (3) of the opposite gender

## 42. MEETINGS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- a. The Meetings of the County Executive Committee shall be presided over by the Chairperson of the Committee, in their absence, the Deputy Chairperson shall preside and, in the event, both are absent, the meeting shall elect a chairperson to preside.
- b. Decisions on any matter at the meetings shall be determined by consensus or simple majority.
- c. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the County Executive Committee shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- d. The meetings of the County Executive Committee shall be conducted in accordance with the regulations contemplated under Article 15.

## 43. FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 1. The County Executive Committee shall be
  - a. Convene the County Congress as required by this Constitution;
  - b. Supervise the day-to-day conduct of the Party activities at the County;
  - c. Propagate Party policies within the County;
  - d. Assist the National Election Board (NEB) in the conduct of Party nominations and elections at the county level;
  - e. Supervise the running of the County Secretariat;
  - f. Implement the decisions of the National Executive Committee at the County level;
  - g. Coordinate fundraising and publicity of the Party;
  - h. Function as the County Electoral College where it is appointed by the National Elections Board.
  - i. Recruit new members to the Party; and
  - j. Perform other functions as may be assigned to it by the National Executive Committee.

#### 44. CONSTITUENCY CONGRESS

- 1. There is established a Constituency Congress at every constituency.
- 2. The Constituency Congress shall comprise the Twenty (20) Ward Committee Members from each Ward in addition to the elected members of National Assembly in the respective constituency.
- 3. The Constituency Congress shall elect from among themselves thirteen
- 4. Officials and Seven (7) Members at least three (3) of whom shall be of the opposite gender



to constitute the Constituency Committee provided that the seven (7) members reflect the diversity of the constituency.

- 5. The Constituency Committee officials shall comprise of
  - a. Chairperson and the Deputy Chairperson each of the opposite gender;
  - b. Secretary and Deputy Secretary each of the opposite gender);
  - c. Treasurer;
  - d. Organizing Secretary;
  - e. Representative of Youth;
  - f. Representative of Women;
  - g. Representative of Persons with Disability;
  - h. Representative of MSMEs;
  - i. Representative of farmers;
  - j. Representatives of the religious groups;
  - k. Representative of professional groups;
  - I. Seven (7) members from whom at least 3 shall be of the opposite gender

The Constituency Executive Committee shall comprise of—

- a. Chairperson;
- b. Secretary;
- c. Treasurer;
- d. Organizing Secretary;
- e. Representative of Youth;
- f. Representative of Women; and
- g. Representative of Persons with Disability.

## 45. MEETINGS OF THE CONSTITUENCY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- a. The Meetings of the Constituency Executive Committee shall be presided over by the Chairperson of the Committee, in their absence, the Deputy Chairperson shall preside and in the event both are absent, the meeting shall elect a chairperson to preside.
- b. Decisions on any matter at the meetings shall be determined by consensus or simple majority.
- c. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the Constituency Executive Committee shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- d. The meetings of the Constituency Executive Committee shall be conducted in accordance with the regulations contemplated under Article 15.

## 46. FUNCTIONS OF THE CONSTITUENCY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 1. The Constituency Executive Committee shall have the following functions
  - a. To oversee the daily affairs of the Party in the constituency;
  - b. Propagate Party policies;
  - c. Assist the National Elections Board in the conduct of Party nominations and elections;
  - d. Implement the Decisions of the National Executive Committee at the constituency level;
  - e. Coordinate fundraising and publicity of the Party;
  - f. Function as the Constituency Electoral College where it is appointed by the National Elections Board; and
  - g. Perform other functions assigned to it by the National Executive Committee.

## 47. THE WARD CONGRESS

- 1. There is established a Ward Congress in every ward.
- 2. The Ward Congress shall comprise the Twenty (20) polling Centre Committee members from each polling Centre in the ward in addition to the member(s) of the County Assembly

- 3. The Ward Congress shall elect from among themselves thirteen (13) officials and seven (7) Members at least three (3) of whom shall be of the opposite gender to constitute the Ward Executive Committee provided that the seven (7) members reflect the diversity of the Ward.
- 4. The Constituency Committee shall comprise of
  - a. Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson, each of the opposite gender;
  - b. Secretary and Deputy Secretary, each of the opposite gender;
  - c. Treasurer;
  - d. Organizing Secretary;
  - e. Representative of Youth;
  - f. Representative of Women;
  - g. Representative of Persons with Disability;
  - h. Representative of MSMEs;
  - i. Representative of farmers;
  - j. Representative of the religious groups;
  - k. Representative of professional groups;
  - I. Seven (7) members with at least three (3) of the opposite gender

## 48. MEETINGS OF THE WARD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- a. The Meetings of the Ward Executive Committee shall be presided over by the Chairperson of the Committee, in their absence, the Deputy Chairperson shall preside and in the event both are absent, the meeting shall elect a chairperson to preside.
- b. Decisions on any matter at the meetings shall be determined by consensus or simple majority.
- c. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the Ward Executive Committee shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- d. The meetings of the Ward Executive Committee shall be conducted in accordance with the regulations contemplated under Article 15.

## 49. FUNCTIONS OF THE WARD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- The Ward Executive Committee shall have the following functions
  - a. To oversee the daily affairs of the Party in the ward;
  - b. Propagate Party policies;
  - c. Assist the National Elections Board in the conduct of Party nominations and elections;
  - d. Implement the decisions of the National Executive Committee at the ward level;
  - e. Coordinate fundraising and publicity of the Party;
  - f. Function as a ward electoral college where it is appointed by the National Elections Board; and
  - q. Perform other functions assigned to it by the National Executive Committee

## **50. POLLING CENTRE MEMBERS COMMITTEE**

- 1. There is established a Polling Centre Members Committee as the lowest electoral organ of the party at every polling Centre.
- 2. The Polling Centre Members Committee shall be elected by all the party members registered at the polling Centre and shall comprise of the following categories
  - a. Three (3) members representing the religious groups with at least one of the opposite gender;
  - b. Four (4) members representing Micro, Small, Medium as well as large enterprises/ traders with at least two of the opposite gender;
  - c. Three (3) members representing the Professional groups with at least one of the

- opposite gender;
- d. Four (4) members representing the Youth with at least two of the opposite gender;
- e. Three (3) members representing various categories of farmers with at least one of the opposite gender;
- f. One (1) member representing Persons with disability; and
- g. Two (2) other members
- 3. There is established Polling Centre Executive Committee which shall be the lowest executive organ of the party at the polling centre.
- 4. The twenty (20) Polling Centre Members Committee shall elect from among themselves Thirteen (13) members who shall form the Polling Centre Executive Committee comprising of
  - a. Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson with each of the opposite gender;
  - b. Secretary and Deputy Secretary with each of the opposite gender;
  - c. Treasurer;
  - d. Organizing Secretary;
  - e. Representative of Youth;
  - f. Representative of Women;
  - g. Representative of Persons with Disability;
  - h. Representative of MSMEs;
  - i. Representative of farmers;
  - j. Representative of the religious groups; and
  - k. Representative of professional groups.

## 51. MEETINGS OF THE POLLING CENTRE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- a. The Meetings of the Polling Centre Executive Committee shall be presided over by the Chairperson of the Committee, in their absence, the Deputy Chairperson shall preside and, in the event, both are absent, the meeting shall elect a chairperson to preside.
- b. Decisions on any matter at the meetings shall be determined by consensus or simple majority.
- c. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the Polling Centre Executive Committee shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- d. The meetings of the Polling Centre Executive Committee shall be conducted in accordance with the regulations contemplated under Article 15.

#### 52. FUNCTIONS OF THE POLLING CENTRE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- The Polling Centre Executive Committee shall have the following functions
  - a. To oversee the daily affairs of the party at the polling centre;
  - b. Propagate Party policies;
  - c. Assist the National elections board in the conduct of Party nominations and elections:
  - d. Supervise the running of the polling stations in the centre;
  - e. Implement the decisions of the National Executive Committee;
  - f. Coordinate fundraising and publicity of the Party; and
  - g. Perform other functions assigned to it by the National Executive Committee through the relevant party organs.

## 53. DIASPORA CONGRESS

- 1. There is an established Diaspora Congress which shall comprise of
  - a. Diaspora chapter leaders;
  - b. Diaspora youth leaders;

- c. Diaspora women leaders of Countries/States/Provinces/Territories in the six (6) regions; North America, South America, Europe, Middle East, Asia-Pacific, Africa (excluding Kenya); 20.3
- 2. The Diaspora Congress shall form a Diaspora Committee provided it reflects the diversity of regions.
- 3. The Diaspora Committee officials shall comprise of
  - a. Chairperson and the Deputy Chairperson (each of the opposite gender);
  - b. Secretary and Deputy Secretary (each of the opposite gender);
  - c. Treasurer:
  - d. Resource Mobilizer;
  - e. Organizing Secretary;
  - f. Representative of Youth;
  - g. Representative of Women;
  - h. Representative of Persons living with Disability;
  - i. Representative of Business Community;
  - j. Representatives of the Religious groups;
  - k. Representative of Professional groups;
- 4. The Secretary for International and Diaspora Affairs in consultation with the National Executive Committee (NEC) shall convene and preside over the Diaspora Congress.
- 5. The Diaspora Executive Committee shall have the following functions
  - a. To oversee the daily affairs of the Party in the Diaspora;
  - b. Propagate and disseminate Party policies;
  - c. Guide the Party in special needs and interests that are relevant to the Diaspora in the formulation of party policies;
  - d. Implement the Decisions of the National Executive Committee;
  - e. Coordinate resource mobilization, expertise and publicity of the Party;
  - f. Promote Kenya's shared heritage, aspirations, and culture within the diaspora community; and
  - g. Perform other functions assigned to it by the National Executive Committee.

## 54. MEETINGS OF THE DIASPORA CONGRESS

- a. The Meetings of the Diaspora Congress shall be presided over by the Chairperson of the Congress, in their absence, the Deputy Chairperson shall preside and in the event both are absent, the meeting shall elect a chairperson to preside.
- b. Decisions on any matter at the meetings shall be determined by consensus or simple majority. Quorum of the Ordinary or Special Sessions of the Diaspora Congress shall be 50% of the members at commencement. If such quorum is not attained, the meeting shall stand adjourned and shall be convened again in a similar manner as provided under this clause, provided the meeting shall be convened not later than ninety (90) days thereafter whereof the quorum of such subsequent meeting shall be 25% of the membership at commencement.
- c. The Diaspora Congress may make its own rules and regulations to govern the conduct of its meetings and deliberations provided that such rules shall be laid before the National Executive Committee for approval.
- d. The Chairperson of the Chapter shall seek formal recognition by the party through the National Executive Committee (NEC).

## 55. NATIONAL ELECTIONS BOARD

- 1. There is hereby established the National Elections Board.
  - a. The National Elections Board will be appointed by the National Executive Committee and will be comprised of Seven (7) party members of high integrity who do not hold any elective or nominative party position.



- b. Not more than two thirds of the members of the committee shall be of the same gender.
- c. The National Election Board (NEB) shall exercise its functions and powers independently and free from any direction or influence from any person or entity. Notwithstanding the above, the National Elections Board may, as it deems necessary, engage or consult with external experts possessing specialized knowledge or skill relevant to its mandate.
- d. The members of the National Election Board shall hold office for a period of five years renewable once.
- e. The Board members shall represent regional diversity.
- 2. The Board shall consist of
  - a. The Chairperson;
  - b. Six (6) other members; and
  - c. The Director of elections as an ex-officio member and the Secretary to the Board
- 3. The qualifications of the Chairperson and members of the board are provided under the nomination and election rules.
- 4. The Board shall make its own rules of procedure for its meetings save for the Nomination Rules and Regulations to be approved by the National Executive Committee.
- 5. The National Secretariat shall provide secretarial support to the National Elections Board on need basis.
- 6. A member of the National Elections Board may be removed from office by a majority decision of the National Executive Committee for
  - a. Violation of the Constitution of Kenya, the Elections Act, or the Party's Constitution;
  - b. Incompetence, neglect of duty, or inability to perform their functions;
  - c. Gross misconduct or actions bringing the Party into disrepute; and
  - d. Reach of the prescribed qualification criteria for board membership.

## 56. FUNCTIONS OF THE NATIONAL ELECTIONS BOARD

- 1. The Board shall have the following roles
  - b. To plan, organise, direct and coordinate the internal party elections;
  - c. To conduct the Governor, Senator, Women Representative, parliamentary and County Assembly candidate's nomination;
  - d. Implement party nomination and election rules in accordance with the Constitution of Kenya, the electoral laws and the party constitution;
  - e. To appoint election coordinators to supervise party elections;
  - f. To work with grassroots leaders while carrying out party elections;
  - g. Prepare and make periodic reports to the National Executive Committee (NEC);
  - h. Supervise and coordinate the implementation of elections and nominations by the County, Constituency, Ward and Polling Centre Committees;
  - i. Prescribe the required forms and documents for purpose of party elections and nominations and shall supervise the due and speedy issuance and return of those forms as circumstances may warrant;
  - j. Issue provisional certificates to candidates duly elected or nominated; and
  - k. Issue the final list of duly elected and nominated members to the National Executive Committee (NEC) for final approval and ratification.

## 57. THE NATIONAL SECRETARIAT

- 1. There is established a National Secretariat, which shall be headed by an Executive Director and assisted by a deputy Executive Director.
- 2. The National Executive Committee shall develop a Human Resource Policy and Procedures to govern the recruitment of the Secretariat.
- 3. The National Secretariat shall have Directorates as approved by the National Executive Committee with each headed by a Director.
- 4. The National Secretariat shall function directly under the supervision of the National Executive Committee through the Executive Director; and

5. The Executive Director shall be appointed by the National Executive Committee and shall be responsible for overall co-ordination of party activities, budget, resource allocation and program management.

#### 58. DUTIES OF THE NATIONAL SECRETARIAT

- 1. The National Secretariat shall perform the following duties
  - a. Ensure daily operations of the party;
  - b. Implementing Party policies, strategies, decisions and programs;
  - c. Processing clearance of nominees for elective positions to be appointed by the National Executive Committee;
  - d. Recruitment and reaching out to members;
  - e. Registration of voters and maintenance of the register of members;
  - f. Co-ordination, facilitation and synchronization of Party activities and events;
  - g. Managing Public relations, communication and media outreach;
  - h. Undertaking Fundraising and resource mobilization;
  - i. Developing and implementation of campaign strategies;
  - j. Delivering Operations and logistics;
  - k. Implementation, monitoring, evaluation, auditing and reporting on party policies, strategies, decision and programs;
  - I. Coordination of County, branch and sub-branch offices in liaison with all Party structures;
  - m. Implementation of decisions and programs of the Party under guidance of the National Executive Committee;
  - n. Service the operations of subsidiary organs of the Party;
  - o. Monitoring, evaluation, auditing and reporting of all functions; and
  - p. Any other function as may be assigned by the National Executive Committee.

## 59. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

- 1. There is established the office of the Executive Director who shall be an employee of the Party appointed by the National Executive Committee.
- 2. The Executive Director shall be in charge of the party secretariat and shall have the following roles—
  - a. Overseeing the day-to-day operations of the Party;
  - b. Ensure efficient functioning of the national, county and constituency secretariats;
  - c. Supervise and enforce discipline and observance of all Party policies, manuals and programs by all staff;
  - d. Maintain a minute book of all resolutions of the National Delegates Conferences, National Governing Council, National Executive Committee and the sub-committees of the National Executive Committee, organs and the Caucuses of the Party;
  - e. Coordinate the implementation of all policies, decisions and programs of the party;
  - f. Implement the objectives of the party as stipulated in this constitution;
  - g. Submit periodic reports on the performance of the Secretariat to the National Executive Committee;
  - h. Continuous liaison and coordination of functions of party organs and, structures between the national and the county levels
  - Be a signatory to the accounts of the Party;
  - j. Be an accounting officer of the party.

#### 60. VACATION OF OFFICE BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

- 1. The Executive Director shall vacate office on the following grounds
  - a. He or she ceases to be a member of the Party;
  - b. By notice to the National Executive Committee through the chairperson, resigns from office;
  - c. He or she dies;
  - d. If declared unfit to hold office under the Constitution of Kenya and any other written If the National Executive Committee by a resolution of a simple majority of its

- membership resolves so in the interest of the Party;
- e. Incompetence; and
- f. Any other just cause.

## 61. NATIONAL PARTY OFFICIALS

- 1. The party shall have the following officials at the National Level—
  - 1. Party Leader;
  - 2. First Deputy Party Leader, Policy & Strategy
  - 3. Second Deputy Party Leader, Operations and programs
  - 4. National Chairperson;
  - 5. Deputy Chairperson Policy & Strategy;
  - 6. Deputy Chairperson Operations;
  - 7. Deputy Chairperson- Programs;
  - 8. Secretary General;
  - 9. Deputy Secretary General Policy & Strategy;
  - 10. Deputy Secretary General Operations;
  - 11. Deputy Secretary General- Programs;
  - 12. National Treasurer;
  - 13. Deputy National Treasurer-Policy & Strategy;
  - 14. Deputy National Treasurer-Operations;
  - 15. Deputy National Treasurer- Programs;
  - 16. National Organizing Secretary;
  - 17. Deputy National Organizing Secretary-Policy & Strategy;
  - 18. Deputy National Organizing Secretary- Operations;
  - 19. Deputy National Organizing Secretary- Programs;
  - 20. Secretary for Women Affairs;
  - 21. Secretary Youth Affairs, Sports and Culture;
  - 22. Secretary for Legal Affairs;
  - 23. Secretary for Economic Affairs and Planning;
  - 24. Secretary for Devolution & Intergovernmental Relations;
  - 25. Secretary for Lands, Housing and Urban Planning;
  - 26. Secretary for diaspora and International Affairs;
  - 27. Secretary for Energy, Petroleum and Mining;
  - 28. Secretary for Information, Communication and Technology;
  - 29. Secretary for Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries;
  - 30. Secretary for Water and Sanitation;
  - 31. Secretary for Transport and Infrastructure;
  - 32. Secretary for Tourism, Environment and Natural Resources;
  - 33. Secretary for Education;
  - 34. Secretary for Health;
  - 35. Secretary for MSMEs, Trade and Industrialization;
  - 36. Secretary for Labour and Social Services;
  - 37. Secretary for Persons with Disabilities;
  - 38. Secretary for Minority and Marginalized Communities and,
  - 39. Executive Director.

## 62. CESSATION OF OFFICE BY NATIONAL OFFICIALS

- 1. One shall cease to be a National Official;
  - a. By resignation in writing to the Secretary General provided that the resignation shall not absolve the official from performing any outstanding obligations owed to the Party or other members.
  - b. By a resolution passed by the National Executive Committee.
  - c. By accepting an office, subscribing to or promoting activities of another political party.
  - d. By death.

- e. By operation of any law.
- f. A person who ceases to be an official shall return all Party property/record in their custody, possession or control, failure to which the Party shall have a right to lay claim against such person for any money due or owing to the Party or for any damage or loss occasioned to the Party property/record in their custody.
- g. Upon an official ceasing to hold office, their name shall be struck off the list of National Officials and such decision shall be communicated to the Registrar of Political Parties.

## 63. DUTIES OF PARTY OFFICIALS

#### 1. PARTY LEADER

- a. Shall be the Leader of the Party and the symbol of Unity;
- b. Shall oversee, coordinate and supervise the implementation of the Party manifesto by the government and their respective agencies when the Party forms the government of the day.
- c. Shall issue guidance for the performance of specific roles to aid fulfilment and compliance with Party manifesto, programs, values and ideals;
- d. Shall offer leadership, political direction and guidance to the party at all times in the discharge of its mandate;
- e. Shall promote political harmony and democratic ideals within the party;
- f. Shall chair all meetings of the National Delegates Congress, National Governing Council and in his absence, shall designate the Deputy Party Leader to Chair;
- g. May convene and preside over any meeting of any Organ of the Party;
- h. Where in attendance shall preside over any meeting of any party organ; and,
- i. Shall promote political consultation, engagement and co-operation with other Political Parties, coalitions and other stakeholder groups.

#### 2. THE DEPUTY PARTY LEADERS

The Deputy Party Leaders shall deputize the Party leader in their respective portfolios.

#### 3. THE NATIONAL CHAIRPERSON

The national chairperson shall—

- a. Convene and chair the national executive committee;
- b. Ensure discipline and order in the party in accordance with this constitution;
- c. Provide policy guidance on behalf of the national executive committee;
- d. Promote unity and cohesiveness within organs of the party,
- e. Ensure an effective working relationship between members and officials of the party;
- f. Promote the policies, interest and programs of the Party,
- g. Defend the constitution of the party.
- h. Perform such duties and exercise such powers conferred upon that office by this Constitution:
- i. Be a signatory to the Party certificates of nomination; and
- i. Be a signatory to the Party accounts.

#### 4. **DEPUTY CHAIRPERSONS**

The Deputy Chairperson shall—

- a. The Deputy Chairpersons shall deputize the National Chairperson in their respective portfolios.
- b. The Deputy Chairpersons shall perform the duties of the chairperson where in the opinion of the National Executive Committee, the chairperson is unable to perform the functions
- c. The other key roles of the Deputy Chairpersons under their respective portfolios shall with necessary modifications be the roles of the Deputy Chairpersons.

#### 5. THE SECRETARY GENERAL

The Secretary General shall: -



- a. Be the spokesperson of the Party;
- b. Oversee the management of the Party under the general direction of the Party Leader, National Delegates Congress, National Governing Council and National Executive Committee:
- c. May issue notices to convene meetings of the National Delegates Congress, National Governing Council and National Executive Committee under the direction of the National Executive Committee;
- d. Supervise, monitor and report on the implementation of Party policies and programs and provide quarterly reports to the appropriate Party organs;
- e. Prepare the annual reports of the activities of the Party and present them to relevant national organs;
- f. Keep or cause to be kept proper record of minutes of all meetings of the National Delegates Convention, National Governing Council, and National Executive Committee, and ensure the dissemination to persons, organs, or bodies concerned;
- g. Be a signatory to the accounts of the Party;
- h. Be the custodian of the seal of the party;
- i. Be the custodian of legal documents of the party;
- j. Be in charge of all correspondences and communications on behalf of the Party;
- k. issue resolutions upon a written communication from the National Executive Committee;
- I. Be a signatory to the party nomination certificates;
- m. Be the secretary to the National Delegates Conference, National Governing Council and National Executive Committee; Implement the decisions of the various organs of the Party;
- n. Perform any other duties conferred upon them by this Constitution or the National Executive Committee; and
- o. Perform such duties and functions as are inherent in or customary to the office of Secretary General of a political party.

#### 6. **DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL**

The Deputy Secretary General shall-

- a. Deputize the Secretary General in their respective portfolios.
- b. The National Executive Committee may appoint either of the deputy secretary generals to act where in their opinion the secretary General is unable to perform their duty; and
- c. When a Deputy Secretary General performs the roles of the Secretary General, such decisions made by the Deputy Secretary General shall be valid as though made by the substantive office holder.

#### 7. NATIONAL ORGANIZING SECRETARY

The National Organizing Secretary shall—

- a. Be responsible for membership recruitment under the general direction of the National Executive Committee.
- b. Be responsible for the organization, management of the public meetings, seminars, study groups, workshops, National Delegate Congress and National Governing Council under the general direction of National Executive Committee;
- c. Be responsible for publicity related functions; and,
- d. Delegate functions and responsibilities as appropriate.

#### 8. **DEPUTY NATIONAL ORGANIZING SECRETARIES**

The Deputy National Organizing Secretaries shall deputize the National Organizing Secretary in their respective portfolios.

#### 9. NATIONAL TREASURER

The National Treasurer shall—

- a. Be responsible for management of finances of the Party under the general direction of the national organs of the Party;
- b. Coordinate fundraising and resource mobilization;

- c. Supervise the financial matters of the various organs of the Party in accordance with the Public Finance Management Act, 2012;
- d. Prepare and present the annual budget and accounts of the Party to the National Executive Committee & National Delegate Congress;
- e. Maintain Party bank accounts as one of the signatories to those accounts and shall have access to all bank reports;
- f. Be an "authorized official" of the Party in terms of Section 15 of the Second Schedule of the Political Parties Act, 2011 and shall together with other authorized officials sign documents set out in Section 15 of the Second Schedule of the Political Parties Act, 2011 on behalf of the Party; and
- g. Perform such duties and functions as are inherent in or customary to the office of the National Treasurer.

#### 10. **DEPUTY NATIONAL TREASURERS**

The Deputy National Treasurers shall deputize the National Treasurer in their respective portfolios.

#### 11. SECRETARY FOR WOMEN AFFAIRS

The Secretary for Women Affairs shall—

- a. Articulate special interest and needs of women for incorporation into Party policy; and
- b. Educate and sensitize women on Party policies and the need for their participation in Party and national matters. Advice all Party organs on matters relating to women.

#### 12. SECRETARY FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS, SPORTS AND CULTURE

The National Secretary for Youth Affairs shall—

- a. Provide leadership in the overall mobilisation of the youth participation in the Party affairs;
- b. Provide leadership in the formulation of youth Party policies;
- c. Guide the Party in special needs and interests peculiar to the youth in the formulation of Party policies; and
- d. Organise relevant activities and programs for the youth in the country in liaison with the National Executive Committee.

## 13. SECRETARY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWDS)

The secretary representing persons with disabilities shall—

- a. Provide leadership in overall mobilisation of the PWD's participation in the party affairs;
- b. Provide leadership in the formulation of Party policies to incorporate PWDs interests;
- c. Guide the Party in special needs and interest's peculiar to the PWDs in the formulation of party policies; and
- d. Organise relevant activities and programs for the PWDs in the country in liaison with the National Executive Committee.

#### 14. SECRETARY FOR MARGINALISED AND MINORITY COMMUNITIES

The Secretary representing the Marginalized and Minority communities shall—

- a. Provide leadership in overall mobilization of the marginalized and minority participation in the party affairs;
- b. Provide leadership in the formulation of Party policies to incorporate Marginalized and Minority communities' interests:
- c. Organize relevant activities and programs for the Marginalized and minority communities in the country in liaison with the National Executive Committee.

#### 15. OTHER SECRETARIES

They shall—

- a. Act in their respective portfolios as shadow Secretaries to ensure that the party manifesto and ideals are delivered;
- b. Represent the party in national debates and/or meetings where their respective



- portfolio are involved in order to articulate the issues relevant to their dockets;
- c. Provide technical support to the party in preparation of the manifesto; and
- d. To ensure that each sector is duly covered in the manifesto with deliverables to monitor the implementation of the manifesto in their respective dockets.

## 64. COUNTY OFFICIALS

- The County Party Officials shall manage the Party activities at the County level and shall perform their functions within the spirit and provisions of this Constitution and shall ensure that they are guided by the objectives and values of the Party subject to any other duty expressly provided for by this Constitution.
- 2. The following County Officials shall be elected by the County Congress from among its members
  - a. Chairperson;
  - b. Deputy Chairperson;
  - c. County Secretary General;
  - d. Deputy Secretary General;
  - e. Treasurer;
  - f. Organizing Secretary;
  - g. Representative of Youth;
  - h. Representative of Women;
  - i. Representative of Persons with Disability;
  - j. Representative of MSMEs;
  - k. Representative of farmers;
  - I. Representative of the religious groups; and
  - m. Representative of professional groups.

#### 3. COUNTY CHAIRPERSON

- a. The County Chairperson shall be in charge of the Party affairs within the County;
- b. The County Chairperson shall preside over all County Party meetings and supervise the affairs of all Party branches within the County;
- c. The County Chairperson shall do all such duties as may be prescribed by the National Executive Committee, or any other relevant national Party organ;
- d. The County Chairperson is expected to use his or her skills and experience to promote Party objectives in the County.

#### 4. COUNTY DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON

The County Deputy Chairperson shall assist the County Chairperson in the discharge of their mandate and shall perform all responsibilities of the County Chairperson in the latter's absence.

#### 5. COUNTY SECRETARY GENERAL

- The County Secretary General shall prepare or cause to be prepared proper records of minutes and other activities undertaken by the Party within the County and in particular the County Executive Committee meetings; and
- b. The County Secretary General shall exercise the powers and responsibilities according to this Constitution or as directed by the County Executive Committee or the National Executive Committee.

#### 6. COUNTY DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL

The County Deputy Secretary shall assist the County Secretary in the performance of their duties. They shall also discharge any other function assigned to them from time to time by the County Secretary or the County Executive Committee.

#### 7. COUNTY TREASURER

The County Treasurer shall—

- a. Be in charge of all Party financial affairs in the County;
- b. Be responsible for all financial transactions within the County under the direction of

- the County Executive Committee; and
- c. Ensure that up-to-date and proper financial statements are kept.

#### 8. COUNTY ORGANIZING SECRETARY

- a. The County Organizing Secretary shall be in charge of County party publicity; and
- b. Shall publicize and send out notifications of County public meetings of the Party.

#### 9. COUNTY WOMEN REPRESENTATIVE

The County women representative shall—

- a. Promote and mobilize Party activities among women in the County and shall perform duties and responsibilities prescribed to them by the County Executive Committee;
- b. Be the coordinator of the Women Congress at the County level; and
- c. Convene and chair the county women congress.

#### 10. COUNTY YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE

County Youth Representative shall-

- a. The County Youth Representative shall promote and mobilize Party activities among the youth in the County; and
- b. The County Youth Representative shall, in addition, perform duties prescribed to them by the County Executive Committee.

# 11. COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE FOR SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS AND OTHER STAKEHOLDER GROUPS

County Representative for Special Interest Groups and other Stakeholder Groups shall—

- a. Promote and mobilize Party activities among the special interest groups in the County;
- b. Articulate the particular issues affecting the stakeholder group they represent and ensure their inclusion in the party programs; and
- c. In addition, perform duties prescribed to them by the County Executive Committee.

#### 65. CONSTITUENCY OFFICIALS

- 1. The Constituency Party Officials shall manage the Party activities at the Constituency Level and shall perform their functions within the spirit and provisions of this Constitution and shall ensure that they are guided by the objectives and values of the Party;
- 2. The Constituency Officials shall be elected by the Congress and shall consist of the following officials;
  - a. Chairperson and the Deputy Chairperson with each from either gender;
  - b. Secretary General and Deputy Secretary General with each from either gender;
  - c. Treasurer;
  - d. Organizing Secretary;
  - e. Representative of Youth;
  - f. Representative of Women;
  - g. Representative of Persons with Disability;
  - h. Representatives of MSMEs;
  - i. Representatives of farmers;
  - j. Representatives of religious groups;
  - k. Representatives of professional groups;
  - I. Seven (7) other members (with 3 of opposite gender)

#### 3. CONSTITUENCY CHAIRPERSON

The Constituency Chairperson shall be-

In charge of the Party affairs within the constituency;

- a. Preside over all Constituency Party meetings and supervise the affairs of all Party branches within the Constituency;
- b. Do all such duties as may be prescribed by the National Executive Committee, or any other relevant national Party organ; and,
- c. Expected to use his or her skills and experience to promote party objectives in the

#### 4. CONSTITUENCY SECRETARY GENERAL

The Constituency Secretary General shall—

- a. Prepare or cause to be prepared proper records of minutes and other activities undertaken by the Party within the Constituency;
- b. Be the Secretary to the Constituency Executive Committee meetings; and
- c. Exercise the powers and responsibilities according to this constitution or as directed by the Constituency Executive Committee.

#### 5. **CONSTITUENCY TREASURER**

The Constituency treasurer shall be—

In charge of all Party financial affairs in the Constituency;

- a. Responsible for all financial transactions within the Constituency under the direction of the Constituency Executive Committee (CEC):
- b. Ensure that up-to-date and proper financial statements are kept; and
- c. Mobilize and fundraise for the Party at the Constituency level.

#### 6. CONSTITUENCY ORGANIZING SECRETARY

The Constituency Organizing Secretary shall be—

- a. In charge of Constituency, Party publicity;
- b. Issue all notices for public rallies convened by the Party; and
- c. Publicize and send out notifications of Constituency public meetings of the Party.

#### 7. CONSTITUENCY WOMEN REPRESENTATIVE

The Constituency Women Representative shall:

- a. The Constituency Women representative shall promote and mobilize Party activities among women in the Constituency;
- b. They shall perform duties and responsibilities prescribed to them by the Constituency Executive Committee.

#### 8. CONSTITUENCY YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE

The Constituency Youth Representative shall—

- a. They shall promote and mobilize Party activities among the youthin the Constituency; and
- b. They shall, perform in addition to their duties prescribed to them by the Constituency Executive Committee.

#### 9. CONSTITUENCY REPRESENTATIVE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Constituency Representative For Persons With Disabilities shall promote and mobilize Party activities among the Persons with Disabilities in the Constituency.

## 66. WARD OFFICIALS

- The Ward Party Officials shall manage the Party at the Ward level and shall perform their functions in accordance with the spirit and provisions of this Constitution and shall ensure that they are guided by the objectives and values of the Party;
- 2. The Ward Congress shall elect from among themselves Ward officials to constitute the Ward Executive Committee consisting of the following officials;
  - i. Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson each from either gender;
  - ii. Secretary General and Deputy Secretary General each from either gender;
  - iii. Treasurer;
  - iv. Organizing Secretary;
  - v. Representative of Youth;
  - vi. Representative of Women;
  - vii. Representative of Persons with Disability;
  - viii. Representative of MSMEs;
  - ix. Representative of farmers;

- x. Representative of the religious groups; and
- xi. Representative of professional groups.

#### 3. WARD CHAIRPERSON

The Ward Chairperson shall be—

- a. In charge of the Party affairs within the ward;
- b. Preside over all ward Party meetings and supervise the affairs of the Party within the ward;
- c. Do all such duties as may be prescribed by the Ward Executive Committee, or any other relevant national Party organ; and
- d. Be expected to use his skills and experience to promote party objectives in the ward.

#### 4. WARD SECRETARY GENERAL

The ward Secretary General shall—

- a. Prepare or cause to be prepared proper records of minutes and other activities undertaken by the Party within their ward; and
- b. Exercise the powers and responsibilities according to the Constitution as directed by the Ward Executive Committee.

#### 5. WARD TREASURER

The Ward Treasurer shall—

- a. Be in charge of all Party financial affairs in the ward;
- b. Be responsible for all financial transactions within the ward to ensure that up-to date and proper financial statements are kept; and,
- c. Be responsible for fundraising and resource mobilization in the ward.

#### 6. WARD ORGANIZING SECRETARY

The Word Organizing secretary shall—

- a. Be in charge of Party publicity and shall carry out the functions at the ward level;
- b. Publicize and send out notifications of Ward public meetings of the Party.

#### 7. WARD WOMEN REPRESENTATIVE

Word Women Representative shall promote and mobilize Party activities among women within the ward and shall perform duties and responsibilities prescribed to them by this Constitution.

#### 8. WARD YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE

The Ward Youth Representative shall—

- a. Promote and mobilize Party activities among the youth within the ward; and
- b. Perform in addition to the duties prescribed by this constitution and the Ward Executive Committee.

## 9. WARD REPRESENTATIVE FOR SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS AND OTHER STAKEHOLDER GROUPS

Ward representative for special interest groups and other stakeholder groups shall—

- a. Promote and mobilize Party activities among the Persons with Disabilities in the Ward;
- b. Articulate the issues affecting the stakeholder group they represent and ensure their inclusion in the party programs; and
- c. Perform duties and responsibilities as shall be prescribed to them by the Ward Executive Committee.

#### 67. POLLING CENTRE OFFICIALS

- 1. The Party shall establish offices at its lowest level being at the polling Centre and shall perform their functions with the spirit and provisions of this Constitution and shall ensure that they are guided by the objectives and values of the Party.
- 2. The Polling Centre Committee Members shall elect from among themselves thirteen (13)



members who shall form the Polling Centre Executive Committee with officials consisting of—

- a. Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson with each of the opposite gender;
- b. Secretary and Deputy Secretary with each of the opposite gender;
- c. Treasurer;
- d. Organizing Secretary;
- e. Representative of Youth;
- f. Representative of Women;
- g. Representative of Persons with Disability;
- h. Representative of MSMEs;
- i. Representative of farmers;
- j. Representative of the religious groups; and
- k. Representative of professional groups.

#### 3. POLLING CENTRE CHAIRPERSON

The Polling centre Chairperson shall

- a. Be in charge of the Party affairs within the polling centre as established by law.
- b. Preside over all Party meetings at the polling centre and supervise the affairs of the Party.
- c. Do all such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution any other relevant national Party organ.
- d. They will be expected to use their skills and experience to promote Party objectives.

#### 4. POLLING CENTRE SECRETARY GENERAL

The Secretary General shall -

- a. Prepare or cause to be prepared proper records of minutes and other activities undertaken by the Party within the polling centre.
- b. Shall keep a proper register of members.
- c. Shall exercise the powers and responsibilities according to this Constitution or as directed by any relevant Party organ.

#### 5. POLLING CENTRE TREASURER

- f. The Polling centre Organizing Secretary shall be in charge of publicity and shall carry out the functions of the organizing secretary; and
- g. shall publicize and send out notifications of polling centre meetings of the Party.

#### 6. POLLING CENTRE WOMEN REPRESENTATIVE

Polling Centre Women Representative shall promote and mobilize Party activities among women within the polling Centre and shall perform duties and responsibilities prescribed to them by this Constitution.

#### 7. POLLING CENTRE YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE

Polling Centre Youth Representative shall promote and mobilize Party activities among the youth within the polling Centre. The Secretary shall, in addition, perform duties prescribed by this Constitution and the polling Centre Executive Committee.

## 68. DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

- a. There is hereby established a disciplinary committee comprising of nine (9) party members of good standing and integrity.
- b. Not more than two thirds of the members of the committee shall be of the same gender.
- c. The disciplinary committee members shall be appointed by the National Executive Committee.
- d. The chairperson shall be an Advocate of the High Court of Kenya of not less than fifteen years standing. The qualifications of the other members of the committee shall be as contained in the Rules and Regulations of the committee.
- e. The members of this Committee shall hold office for a period of five years, renewable.
- f. The Disciplinary Committee established under this Constitution shall have the power to

- receive, summon, hear and determine all cases of discipline concerning Party members.
- g. The committee may, on its own motion, initiate a disciplinary matter suo motu.
- h. Any party member may, by a written and signed complaint, refer the complaint to the Committee.
- i. Despite any other provisions of this Constitution, the quorum of the Committee shall be one third of its membership.
- j. In all its proceedings, the Disciplinary Committee shall afford every person a fair hearing with reasonable notice to defend themselves against the charges or allegations in accordance with the rules and regulations and this Constitution and other laws of Kenya.
- k. The Disciplinary Committee shall, upon hearing all the parties to the complaint render its determination and communicate to the affected member, and the National Executive Committee.
- I. The Committee may acquit, pardon, reprimand, fine, censure, sanction, suspend or expel the charged member.
- m. A member(s) has a right to appeal against the decision of the Disciplinary Committee to the National Executive Committee whose decision shall be final.
- n. The National Executive Committee upon receipt of the decision of the Disciplinary Committee may affirm the decision, alter the terms of the fine, or vary the decision with its own decision only upon appeal.
- o. The National Executive Committee shall ratify or vary otherwise a decision on expulsion of a member.
- p. Any Party member under a disciplinary process shall be entitled to represent themselves in person or by any representative who must be a Party member or an advocate of their choice.
- q. The committee shall provide the timelines for resolving disputes in their Rules and Regulations.
- r. A member of the Disciplinary Committee may be removed from office by a majority decision of the National Executive Committee for
  - i. Violation of the Constitution of Kenya, the Elections Act, or the Party's Constitution;
  - ii. Incompetence, neglect of duty, or inability to perform their functions;
  - iii. Gross misconduct or actions bringing the Party into disrepute;
  - iv. Breach of the prescribed qualification criteria for board membership.

### 69. MATTERS CONSTITUTING DISCIPLINARY MEASURES

- 1. Disciplinary action shall be instituted against a member in cases of
  - a. Allegiance to another political party;
  - b. Corrupt activities;
  - c. Conduct unbecoming;
  - d. Disloyalty to the party;
  - e. Failure, refusal or neglect to carry out directives or instructions of the Party
  - f. Failure to make remittance / or pay dues to the Party;
  - g. Failure to abide by the Code of Conduct;
  - h. Gross misconduct;
  - i. Lack of respect to decisions of the party and the organs of the Party;
  - j. Misappropriation of Party funds and/or misuse of the Party facilities;
  - k. Any other act or omission that may bring the party into disrepute.

#### 70. CODE OF CONDUCT

- All members of the Party shall subscribe to the Party's Values, Principles and Code of Conduct.
- 2. The officials of the Party and Party's nominees to any elective position shall all bind themselves by signing the Party's Code of Conduct.
- 3. Failure to comply with the Party's Code of Conduct shall constitute a disciplinary offence.
- 4. The Party's nominees holding elective positions shall comply with the Party's Position on any issue and failure to adhere shall constitute a disciplinary offence.



## 71. PARTY NOMINATIONS

- 1. The Party shall nominate Presidential, Gubernatorial, Parliamentary and County Assembly candidates for General and by elections.
- 2. All registered Party members shall be eligible to vote in their respective electoral areas during nominations of the Party candidate(s) for any elective office.
- 3. The party may undertake nomination of its candidates through direct party nominations or indirect party nominations or any other method as may be directed by the National Elections Board and in the best interest of the party.
- 4. The Nomination Rules and Regulations for County Assembly, Parliamentary, Gubernatorial and Presidential candidates for general and by-elections shall be prepared by the National Elections Board and ratified by the National Executive Committee. Party nominations shall be conducted in accordance with such rules and regulations.
- 5. The National Chairperson, and the Secretary General of the Party shall sign the nomination certificates for any nomination or election to any elective office.

#### 6. NOMINATION OF PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

- a. The election of the Party's Presidential Candidate shall take place at the National Delegates Congress.
- b. The National Executive Committee shall give notice-inviting applications from qualified members for nomination as the Party's candidate to contest for the office of the President.
- c. The notice shall be displayed in a conspicuous place in the Party's Constituency, county and National Offices and shall specify the closing date for application, which shall not be more than three (3) months prior to the holding of the National Delegates Congress.
- d. Any member may, prior to the expiry of the three (3) months' period above, submit an application for nomination as the Party's Presidential candidate.
- e. A member shall be entitled to be nominated as the Party's Presidential Candidate; if they:
- f. Are a member of the party;
- g. Have paid the prescribed fee for the Presidential Aspirants by the deadline set by the National Executive Committee:
- h. Satisfies the Constitutional and statutory requirements;
- i. Has signed the "Undertaking for Party code of conduct, and,
- j. Has at least one thousand (1000) members from at least twenty-four (24) counties who have endorsed the member's nomination.
- k. It shall be the obligation of the member seeking nomination as the Party's presidential candidate to satisfy the National Executive Committee that the conditions stipulated in the Constitution have been fulfilled. Any application which does not comply with these conditions shall be rejected.
- The National Delegates Congress or any other mechanism as shall have been determined by the National Executive Committee shall elect the Party's Presidential candidate.
- m. Where there is more than one (1) contestant, decisions shall be taken through the vote by consensus, voice vote, or secret ballot by a simple majority of the quorum forming members.
- n. Where, there is only one (1) contestant for nominations as the Party's presidential candidate, the National Delegates Congress shall acclaim their nomination as the Party's Presidential Candidate.
- o. Where a contestant obtains a simple majority of the votes, they shall be declared the Party's Presidential Candidate.
- p. In the event of a tie between two contestants, the run-off will continue until one contestant obtains a simple majority.

#### 7. SELECTION OF THE DEPUTY PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

The Party's Presidential candidate shall nominate a running mate from within the party or existing coalitions the party may have entered with.

#### 8. NOMINATION TO OTHER ELECTIVE OFFICES

The National Executive Committee in accordance with this Constitution and the Nomination Rules and Regulations and Procedures shall approve nominations to all other elective offices.

# 72. ELECTORAL AND NOMINATION DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

- a. There is hereby established committee referred to as the Electoral and Nomination Dispute Resolution Committee whose mandate is to receive, hear and determine disputes resulting from internal Party elections and party nominations.
- b. The Committee will be appointed by the National Executive Committee and will comprise of nine (9) members of good standing and integrity who do not hold any elective Party position. Not more than two thirds of the members of the committee shall be of the same gender.
- c. Despite any other provisions of this Constitution, the quorum of the Committee shall be one third of its membership.
- d. The members of this Committee shall hold office for a period of five years, renewable.
- e. National Executive Committee shall ensure that the Committee members represent regional diversity. The qualifications of the other members of the committee shall be as contained in the Rules and Regulations of the committee.
- f. The Committee shall make its own rules of procedure for conducting its hearings. The rules and regulations shall become effective upon approval by the National Executive Committee.
- g. The National Secretariat shall provide secretarial support to this committee.
- h. The decisions of the Committee shall be final.
- i. The committee shall provide the timelines for resolving disputes in their Rules and Regulations.

A member of the Electoral and Nomination Dispute Resolution Committee may be removed from office by a majority decision of the National Executive Committee for—

- a. Violation of the Constitution of Kenya, the Elections Act, or the Party's Constitution;
- b. Incompetence, neglect of duty, or inability to perform their functions;
- c. Gross misconduct or actions bringing the Party into disrepute;
- d. Breach of the prescribed qualification criteria for board membership.

## 73. RULES AND REGULATIONS

- a. The National Executive Committee shall have the power to adopt, make, amend AND/OR revise procedures, rules and regulations for prescribing anything that requires to be prescribed for the implementation of the mandates of the party and the management of all of the organs of the party at all levels.
- b. Party organs, Committees and sub-committees shall prepare for purposes of conducting its meetings, hearings and or decision-making procedural rules and regulations as per the provisions of this Constitution.
- c. The rules and regulations shall only become operative upon approval by the National Executive Committee or, on a provisional basis pending approval by the National Executive Committee
- d. All such rules and regulations shall be consistent with the Constitution of the party, and where the rules and regulations are inconsistent with this Constitution, the provisions of this Constitution shall prevail.
- e. All such rules and regulations made under this Constitution shall be filed with the Registrar of Political Parties and shall be applicable up and until they are repealed.

#### 74. FUNDS AND ASSETS

- I. The National Executive Committee shall establish rules governing the mobilization, management and expenditure of funds.
- 2. All disbursements shall be against expenditures in the approved budget or by resolutions of the National Executive Committee.
- 3. The source of funds for the Party shall include the following
  - a. Membership fees;
  - b. Funding by the Exchequer;
  - c. Fundraising;
  - d. Voluntary Contributions;
  - e. Grants, donations, loans, subventions and legacies accepted by the National Executive Committee on recommendations by party officials and its members;
  - f. Proceeds from any investments, project or undertaking in which the party has an interest:
  - g. Net income from Publications and Consultancies;
  - h. Nomination fee; and
  - i. Contribution from elected party members.
- 4. The financial year of the Party shall be aligned to the government's financial Year.
- 5. The Party shall operate bank Account(s) as approved by a resolution of the National Executive Committee.
- 6. The signatories to the Bank Account(s) shall be the Secretary General, the Executive Director, The Treasurer and the Party Chairperson and/or any other person as approved by a written resolution of the National Executive Committee.
- 7. Party funds shall be utilized only for purposes of furthering the objectives of the party in accordance with the approved budget.
- 8. No funds shall be distributed among party members and officials.
- 9. Party organs and officials may not incur expenditure in excess of the funds budgeted and disbursed and without written authority from the National Executive Committee.
- 10. The National Executive Committee shall appoint/recruit an internal auditor of the party to audit books of accounts annually.
- 11. The Executive Director, with the approval of the National Executive Committee, shall ensure that the books of accounts of the party are audited by the Auditor General in accordance with the provisions of the law, and the audited accounts shall be presented at the National Delegates Congress.
- 12. All Party accounts, records and documents shall be open to inspection by the auditor at any time.
- 13. The National Treasurer or the Executive Director shall produce and submit audited accounts made up- to date, which shall not be less than thirty (30) days and not more than sixty (60) days before the date of the National Delegates Congress.
- 14. The books of accounts and all documents relating thereto and the list of members of the Party shall be available for inspection at the registered office of the Party by any officer, members of the Party or any member of the public by giving not less than twenty-one (21) day notice in writing and upon payment of the prescribed fee.
- 15. The National Treasurer shall be the custodian of all Party Assets and investments funds and shall prescribe the Asset Management Policies and Procedures.
- 16. Any account opened for purposes of running activities of a particular organ of the Party, shall be held in the official name of the Party and only operated with the approval of the National Executive Committee and the signatories shall be appointed by National Executive Committee.

## 75. PARTY SEAL

- a. The Party shall have a seal which shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary-General.
- b. The design of the Party Seal may be amended by approval of the National Executive Committee as circumstances and interests of the party may dictate, provided any documents previously sealed shall continue to be valid as against the party.
- c. Save for documents which by law must be sealed, the National Executive Committee shall, by a resolution in writing, determine what class of contracts or documents must be sealed.
- d. The Party Seal shall be authenticated by appending to the document under seal the signature of the National Chairperson and the Secretary General or, in absence of either, any other member of the National Executive Committee specifically mandated to do so by the National Executive Committee by a resolution in writing.
- e. The affixation of the seal on a document and corresponding authentication by the signature of the National Chairperson and Secretary-General shall be presumed to have been duly authorized and binding on the Party.

### 76. PRESS AND PUBLICATIONS

- a. The Party may own and/or operate a Printing Press, Radio Station, Television Station, and Electronic Media as well has an interest or shares in any existing entities as directed by the National Executive Committee.
- b. The Party may publish its own Literature, Newspaper, Periodical Magazine, Pamphlets, and Books or run broadcast programs for its own use, sale and/or public consumption.
- c. The Party's Press and Publications shall inform and convey the Party's Vision, Mission and Agenda.
- d. The Secretary General shall be in charge of the Party's Press and Publication.
- e. The National Executive Committee shall establish rules and regulations to manage the media and electronic press to meet the objectives of the party.

## 77. MERGERS AND COALITIONS

- 1. Coalitions and Co-operation Agreements
  - a. The Party with the approval and determination of at least two-thirds of the National Executive Committee may enter into a Pre and Post-Election Political Coalitions, Cooperation Agreements, Partnerships or Mergers with likeminded political parties or persons.
  - b. Whenever the Party intends to enter a Pre-election or Post-election arrangement, a Coalition Committee shall be constituted consisting of
    - i. The Party Leader;
    - ii. The National Chairperson;
    - iii. The Secretary General;
    - iv. The Secretary for the Coalition Committee;
    - v. Technical persons possessing skills and knowledge on Mergers and Coalitions nominated by the Party Leader; and
    - vi. Three (3) other persons nominated by the National Executive.
  - c. The Party Leader or his nominee shall be the chairperson of the meetings of Coalition Committee.
  - d. The Coalition Committee shall consider proposals for Pre-election or post-election agreements and make recommendations to the National Executive Committee for ratification.
  - e. The Coalition Committee shall ensure continuous monitoring and evaluation of coalition, cooperation and merger arrangements and advice the National Executive Committee accordingly.
  - f. The instrument of a pre- and post-election arrangement shall be signed by the National Chairperson and the Secretary General and witnessed by the Party Leader



- before sealing with the Party Seal and submission to the Registrar of Political Parties by the Secretary General and the Executive Director.
- g. All signed pre- and post-election arrangement agreements shall be presented to the next meeting of the National Executive Committee by the Secretary General for ratification.
- h. The Executive Director shall be the custodian of all pre- and post-election arrangement instruments.
- i. The primary rights of members of the party are protected under this Constitution and upon entering into a coalition, merger or partnership agreement, the Coalition Committee of the Party shall ensure such rights are protected under the coalition, merger or partnership agreement.
- j. The party reserves the right to withdraw from a coalition if the coalition's policies or actions deviate from the Party's principles, interests, ideologies and if the coalition's effectiveness in achieving its stated or intended goals is compromised.
- k. Such withdrawal shall be communicated to the coalition partners by a written resolution of the Coalition Committee.

#### 2. Pre-Election Arrangements

- a. The Party may, prior to elections, cooperate and form alliances or coalitions with other likeminded political parties, persons and organizations situated abroad.
- b. The Party may merge with other likeminded political parties and persons for the purpose of winning National Elections and forming a government.
- c. The Coalition or partnership agreement may include provision for the party ceding election positions to another partner of the coalition, merger or partnership.
- d. The Coalition Committee may propose a pre-election arrangement for consideration and approval by two-thirds of the National Executive Committee.
- e. Where the National Executive Committee rejects a proposed pre-election arrangement, such arrangement shall be deemed to have failed.
- f. A pre-election arrangement shall comply with the provisions of the Constitution of Kenya, the Political Parties Legislations and this Constitution.

#### 3. Post- Election Arrangements

- a. The Coalition Committee may negotiate for a post-election arrangement with such political parties or persons as shall be determined appropriately by the Party and submit a report to the National Executive Committee for ratification.
- b. The National Executive Committee may pass a resolution to commit the Party to a Post-Election arrangement or terminate any Pre-election arrangement entered by the Party.
- c. A Post-election arrangement shall be for purposes of addressing Parliamentary strength of the Party in Parliament or in a County Assembly and sharing of executive power and positions.
- d. Any post-election arrangement process shall be in compliance with the provisions of the Constitution of Kenya, Political Parties Act and this Constitution.
- e. Any dispute arising between a party and a coalition, partnerships or Mergers shall be resolved in accordance with the terms of the coalition, partnerships or Mergers agreement. Failure to have the dispute resolved any aggrieved party may refer the dispute before the Political Parties Disputes Tribunal.

## 78. INTERNAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

- a. There is established an Internal Dispute Resolution Committee (IDRC) which shall consist of Seven (7) members to be drawn from among the members of the following organs;
- b. Two members from National Governing Council, two Members from the National Executive Committee, two Members from National Steering Committee and one member from the National Policy Committee;
- c. The members drawn to form the Internal Dispute Resolution Committee (IDRC) shall each be appointed by their respective party organs based on the organ's own Rules and Regulations;

- d. Not more than two thirds of the members of the committee shall be of the same gender;
- e. The Committee shall be a standing committee with a two-year renewable term;
- f. Any dispute other than an electoral dispute arising out of party elections and nominations and disciplinary issues shall be adjudicated by the Internal Dispute Resolution Committee (IDRC).
- g. The decisions of the IDRC shall be final.
- h. The committee shall employ alternative dispute resolution mechanisms where applicable.
- i. The Committee may seek technical and expert support on a need basis in order to deliver on its mandate;
- j. The quorum of the Committee shall be three (3) members of the committee; and
- k. The committee shall provide the timelines for resolving disputes in their Rules and Regulations.

#### 79. AMENDMENTS OF THIS CONSTITUTION

- 1. The Constitution of the Party may be amended upon a proposal made by
  - a. The National Executive Committee;
  - b. Any organ of the Party; or
  - c. A petition signed by not less than twenty percent (20%) of the registered Party members.
- 2. Any proposed amendment(s) to the Constitution shall be published in the party's website and at least two daily newspapers of wide circulation and the Party through the Executive Director shall receive comments from its registered members within a period of 7 days.
- 3. The proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted in writing to the National Executive Committee at least ninety (90) days before the date of the meeting of the National Executive Committee at which such amendment is to be considered.
- 4. Upon receipt of a proposed amendment, the National Executive Committee shall within thirty (30) days review, deliberate and give a determination on the proposal. The National Executive Committee shall have the authority to approve, reject, or modify the proposed amendment by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of its members present and voting.
- 5. Proposed amendments affecting the core values, leadership structures, foundational principles, or the governance framework of the Party shall, upon approval by the National Executive Committee, be referred to the National Delegates Congress for ratification. The National Executive Committee shall consider these amendments for ratification within thirty (30) days of receipt and such amendments shall require a two third (2/3) majority of the delegates present and voting at the National Delegates Congress.
- 6. Amendments that do not affect the core values, leadership structures, foundational principles, or governance framework of the Party, for instance, amendment of the Party Symbol, Slogan and Colours, shall take effect upon approval by the National Executive Committee and shall not require ratification by the National Delegates Congress.
- 7. The National Executive Committee may establish a Special Constitutional Review Committee to assess and recommend amendments, ensuring comprehensive consultation with Party members, before approval of proposed amendments, however the final decision on approval, modification or rejection of proposed amendments rests with the National Executive Committee.
- 8. Any amendment passed by the National Executive Committee shall be presented by the Secretary General to the Registrar of Political Parties for approval. Upon approval, the amendments shall take effect immediately unless otherwise specified in the resolution adopting the amendment.

## **80. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS**

- a. The provisions of this Constitution shall come into force immediately upon approval by the National Executive Committee unless specified otherwise in the transitional arrangements herein.
- b. The National Executive Committee shall establish a Transitional Committee to oversee the implementation of constitutional amendments and facilitate a smooth transition of the Party's operations.
- c. The Transitional Committee shall develop and oversee the transitional arrangements, including timelines, roles, and responsibilities for the implementation of new structures or provisions, subject to approval by the National Executive Committee.
- d. All office bearers and Party organs shall continue to function in their current capacity until the new structures, roles, or procedures are fully operational as prescribed in the amended Constitution and approved by the National Executive Committee.
- e. A review of the implementation of transitional arrangements shall be conducted within six (6) months of their commencement. The Transitional Committee shall report the findings of such review to the National Executive Committee, which shall determine compliance and effectiveness.

## 81. DISSOLUTION

- a. The Party shall only be dissolved following a comprehensive consultative process with all key stakeholders and upon a resolution passed by not less than three-quarters (3/4) of the members of the National Executive Committee, and subsequently by the National Delegates Congress.
- b. Prior to any resolution for dissolution, the National Executive Committee shall commission an independent assessment of the implications of dissolution, including the impact on members, assets, liabilities, and ongoing obligations of the Party.
- c. A Dissolution Committee shall be constituted by the National Executive Committee to manage the dissolution process, which shall include the settlement of outstanding obligations, disposal of Party assets, and proper communication of the dissolution to all Party members.
- d. Upon dissolution of the Party, any remaining funds and assets of the Party shall be distributed with in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations ensuring transparency and accountability in the process.
- e. The decision to dissolve the Party and the process thereof shall be communicated to the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties and any other relevant authorities as required by law, from the onset of the dissolution through to completion of all dissolution procedures as directed by the National Executive Committee.











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