

## **Local News 5-5-10**

### **Hundreds to be locked out voter registration for lack of IDs**

Hundreds of people in Lugari district will not take part in the upcoming referendum, after a hospital laid claim on their identity cards over unpaid bills. Former Lugari MP Enoch Kibunguchy says many poor people who surrendered their ID's to Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital after failing to settle their bills have not registered as voters.

Fish FM's Carolyn Koech says the registration exercise closes today and the IIEC chairman Ahmed Isack has ruled out the possibility of extending the exercise. More than 10 million voters have so far been registered countrywide.

### **Residents say they will participate in referendum.**

As the voter registration draws to an end some residents of Eldoret town say they are going to participate in the referendum vote rather than the presidential elections. They register willingness in the referendum voting saying that they are safer than the presidential elections. The I.I.E.C therefore has the obligation of winning the trust of the citizens depending on how they handle the referendum elections.

Meanwhile, the government has been urged to take action to relocate IDPs as they have been waiting for the move to happen for more than two years since the post election violence.

Speaking to fish FM, the residents of Eldoret say it is a shame to see fellow Kenyan refugees in their own country.

### **Voter registration closes today.**

More Kenyans have today turned up in droves at various voter registration centres around the country to beat the 5 pm deadline set by the Interim Independent Electoral Commission.

Wednesday marks the end of the 45The time set for the manual national voter registration exercise ends today with the electronic one set to continue for two more weeks. IIEC commissioner Winnie Guchu has urged everyone who has not yet taken a voter's card to do so in the remaining few hours noting that there will be no extension of registration time. She says the commission is this time going to countercheck the entries of voters to ensure accuracy through the verification process and avoid past mistakes that compromised the voting process. Speaking this morning, Guchu says the interim commission is neutral on the draft constitution and has left the work of interpreting the law to the committee of experts. Guchu says Kenyans have made IIEC's dream of registering 10 million people come true owing to their will to realize change.

### **Expose physically challenged children parents told.**

Parents have been urged not to hide their physically challenged children but instead get assistance from relevant institutions. Uasin Gishu District Children's Officer, Philip Nzenge cited that many families have been hiding physically challenged children thus hindering them from realizing their potential in the society. The officer warns such parents risk prosecution as it is against the law to deny the underprivileged children an education and parental love.

Nzenge said various institutions were there in the country to address such difficulties and the high cost of catering for children should not discourage parents from exposing them. He further reveals that his team is out to the grassroots levels and efforts have been put in place to spearhead the sensitization of parents on the importance of assisting physically challenged children. He was speaking to Fish FM today ahead of the 'day of an African child' celebrations in June.

### **Student assured of security as they return to school.**

Parents need not to worry about the security of their children as they travel back to school this term, Eldoret OCPD Bernard K. Muinde has assured. Speaking to fish fm Wednesday Muinde said that cases of mugging in the town have gone down to almost non existence. In addition, Muinde cited that commuters have an obligation to observe road safety, as police officers cannot be deployed to each and every Matatu. The OCPD also said his department will not relent in the fight against illicit brews.

### **African News 5-5-10**

#### **South Africa bus in deadly crash**

Twenty four people have died and more than 10 others have been seriously injured in a bus crash in South Africa. The bus was travelling on a motorway towards the city of Cape Town when the driver apparently lost control. The bus overturned in Western Cape province about 150km (90 miles) north-west of Cape Town, reports AFP news agency. South Africa, which will host the World Cup in June, has a poor road safety record, with thousands killed yearly. Some of the injured have been taken to hospital by ambulance and helicopter, he said.

### **International News 5-5-10**

#### **Election campaign into final day**

Gordon Brown, David Cameron and Nick Clegg are into their final day push for votes ahead of the UK election. After campaigning through the night Mr Cameron, the Conservative leader, said the election was "close" and he was fighting "for every vote". Mr Brown, Labour leader, visited market workers in Leeds and said he wants as many Labour votes as possible - rather than backing anti-Tory tactical voting. Lib Dem leader Nick Clegg is visiting Eastbourne, Durham and Sheffield. They are trying to win over undecided voters ahead of what is expected to be the closest contest in years. Mr Cameron campaigned overnight, talking to bakers, fishermen and

ambulance drivers in Cumbria, Lancashire, Yorkshire and Lincolnshire.

### **Sport 5-5-10**

#### **Pressure on Man City - Redknapp**

Tottenham boss Harry Redknapp says the pressure is on Manchester City ahead of Wednesday's potentially decisive clash in the race for fourth place. A win will put Spurs in the Champions League, but if City triumph they will be favourites to secure the final spot. But City boss Roberto Mancini countered: "There is no pressure. It is a football match, not a war." Rather than feel burdened by the pressure of the occasion at a sell-out Eastlands, Mancini has urged his players to see the game as an opportunity to "change the history of the club". Victory for Spurs will guarantee them at least fourth place in the Premier League, and a first appearance in the qualifying stages of the Champions League. Meanwhile, a draw would still leave Spurs' destiny in their own hands for the final-day trip to Burnley. But if City win, they will travel to West Ham on the final day knowing that matching Spurs' result will see them finish in the top four.