



POLITICAL PARTIES REGISTRATION COMMISSION

OAU Drive, Tower Hill, Freetown, Sierra Leone.

26th October 2011.

PPRC meets with National Youth Commission, National Youth Coalition and the Young Men Christian Association

The Political Parties Registration Commission PPRC on Wednesday 26th October 2011 met at its headquarters with representatives from the National Youth Commission, National Youth Coalition and Young Men's Christian Association.

In his opening remarks, the Chairman of the Commission Hon. Justice Samuel Ademosu says the meeting is geared towards a consensus in a bid to target selected communities in the Western Area. The programmes he said aimed at sensitizing youth to imbibe the culture of non violence and political tolerance as the country gradually enters the 2012 Multitier General Elections. He maintained that non violence and political tolerance will be actualized with candid networking of major Youth Serving Organizations who are interested in the development of youth.

He affirmed that the Commission was grateful to have a planning phase with these stakeholders in other to collectively engage vulnerable youth in the selected communities to be non violent and politically friendly irrespective of their divergent political ideologies and opinions. He also encouraged all present to create a reasonable ground for peaceful coexistence among the youth, and to engage in constructive experience sharing in addressing youth issues. He maintained that the planning phase is a step in the right direction to convince youth to be non violent and embrace political tolerance. He reminded all to be more professional in selecting violent prone areas to achieve remarkable results.

In her statement, Madam Aminata Sillah, Deputy Commissioner NYC, expressed her Commission's commitment in collaborating with PPRC and other institutions in addressing youth challenges. She admonished the meeting to identify violent prone communities and frequently interface with them to ensure a violent free society.

The National Youth Coalition and YMCA made meaningful contribution in the various stages of the planning.

The selected communities identified are:

a) Lumley and its environs
Grassfield, Kamayama, Beach Area, Juba Area, Mallama, Crab town, and Babadori.

b) Aberdeen and Murray Town
The Rock, banana water, and Holoshoro.

c) Congo Cross and its environs

Congo Town, Ascension Town, Friends of the Dead, Black Street, & Gray Bush

d) Krootown Rd and its environs
Kingtom, Kroobay, Krootown Rd, & St. John

e) Brookfields and its environs
Red pump, Congo Market, Wash Car Youyi BLG, Baycon Fields, Nicol St.

f) New England, Sumalia Town, Dwarzak, Sorie Town, Mend St, PWD Pademba Rd.

g) Central 1 District & environs; Govt Wharf, Falcon Bridge, Belgium, and Swizzy.

h) Magazine, Susans Bay, Kanikay, Mu Wharf

i) Kissy and its environs; Shell, Brima Lane, Ferry Junction, and Kissy Industrial

j) Wilberforce, Hill Station, Tengbeh Town, and Hill Cut

k) Wellington; Old Wharf, Bottom Oku, Industrial Estate, SLPMB

l) Calaba Town; Foamex

IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

1. Work with community leaders/ chiefs
2. Work with Councilors
3. Local Police Partnership Boards
4. Youth leader
5. Women's leader

The time frame to frequently engage these communities will be determined by PPRC. The vote of thanks was delivered by Ibrahim Amara Kamara, Youth Affairs Officer

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