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Frelimo collecting information from registration computers in Namacurra

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Rain halts registration in Maputo

Torrential rain and flooding today (Sunday 24 March) caused widespread closures of registration posts in Maputo city, Matola and other zones in the south. Heavy rain is predicted to continue tomorrow and registration will be interrupted for several days due to flooding. Registration posts are inaccessible and some schools where the posts are installed could become accommodation centres for families whose homes have been inundated.

The law states that voter registration should not be held during the rainy season, but this year the registration began on 15 March, during the rains, due to the past electoral calendar. Last year, voter registration ahead of the municipal elections began on 20 April, after the rains had stopped.

Battery run down as computer used for games

In Balama district, Cabo Delgado, brigade members have nobody to register, and use their Mobile-IDs (registration computers) to play video games, which runs down the charge of the battery. When reporting to their superiors, the brigade members do not say that the battery lost its charge because of the games.

Illicit charges denounced in Cabo Delgado and Nampula

After the denunciation made by our correspondents in Niassa, today there are reports of illicit charges at the voter registration post in Cabo Delgado and Nampula. At the Nanhala EPC, in Chapa, Mueda district, Cabo Delgado voters said that members of the police were responsible for the illegal charges, jointly with the STAE brigade members.

Also in Cabo Delgado, a brigade member at registration post number 03, of brigade 02, in Muaria locality, Mecufi district, is accused of charging young people who want to register, so that they do not have to stay in the queue. The voters also accuse this brigade member of prioritising the registration of his acquaintances. The youths who are supposedly victims of illicit charges say it is normal to spend days without being able to register.

At the Nangade-sede EPC, the voters also complain of bribes demanded by the brigade members.

In Nampula, in the Namina Basic School, in Mecuburi district, our correspondents noted crowds and disorder in the queue. The voters accuse the police agent protecting voter registration agents who illicitly charge voters who arrive at the queues late so that they become the first to register.

Priority voters in Larde, Nampula

On the sixth day of registration, brigade 410 at Nathere EPC, in Larde, Nampula, facilitated queue jumping of “priority voters”. To disguise this, and to deceive the remaining voters, the brigade members also collected documents from other citizens. But, as from 13.00, those documents were returned and the brigade members claimed the computer system was out of order. The situation caused agitation among the voters.

Supervisor abandons post to take part in Frelimo event

The supervisor of the voter registration post at the primary school in Murrupula-sede, Nampula, abandoned his post on 19 March, to participate in the meeting which formalised the Frelimo Party’s district election preparation office.

Nampula recorded breakdowns and power cuts

Equipment problems plus power cuts and rain continue across the country. This is a report of Nampula province on the seventh day of voter registration, Thursday 21 March. Nampula province faced problems of machine breakdowns, power cuts and rain.

Reports from other provinces are below.

Our correspondents in Nampula identified at least seven posts with breakdowns: three Mobile-IDs out of order, three printers and one camera not functioning.

At the Luaze EPC, due to the breakdown of the machine, the work was halted for three days. The Mobile was not registering personal data. At the Makassa EPC, voter cards were not issued). At the Muhuluti school, the mobile ID does not print.

At the registration posts in the Mathapue EPC and Tapatero EPC the printer is also not printing cards.

At the registration post in the Napala-sede EPC, no work has been done since the second day, due to a malfunction of the camera.

At the Natoa Secondary School, in Rapale district, registration is slow. The brigade members claim it is the machines that are processing data slowly.

At the post in the Namthapa EPC, in Angoche, registration began late due to lack of electricity. At Lili2 EPC, the brigade members are resorting to the use of solar panels.

Also because of power supply problems, at the Carah EPC the work is progressing with difficulty. The panels they are using are not sufficient to recharge the two machines.

Other problems concern delays in opening the following posts: the Ampoense Basic School EPC, the Namina Basic School, and the Muthita EPC.

The post at the Nacuali EPC closed before the scheduled time because of a lack of voters.

The post at the Anpivine EPC is not issuing voter cards. It has no cards.

Solar panel problems

There are solar panels in registration posts which are off the electricity grid. But the panels do not generate enough electricity to power the Mobiles. This is the case with the posts at the Nhambonda EPC and the Nhambia EPC, in **Gondola** district, Manica province.

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In **Sofala**, at the Nhanguena registration post, in Ampara locality, in Buzi district, activities only began on Thursday, 21 March, because the Mobile was malfunctioning. In the Buzi EPC the printer is only printing bulletins and does not print voter cards.

At 1 May Basic School, in Muxúngue, the machine has been out of order since early today, and the activities are paralysed.

The post at the Pedreira EPC, in Muanza district, is not printing voter cards, and so the potential voters go home.

The printer at the Maguiguane EPC, in Manga, in Beira city, is working again after a day and a half when no voters were registered because of a breakdown.

In the Buzi EPC, in the district of the same name, in Sofala, the printer is only printing bulletins and does not print voter cards.

In Nhamatanda district, more than 5 registration posts were paralysed on Saturday (23 March) due to breakdowns in their solar panels. They are posts in the localities of Macorococho (2), Chiadeia (1), Nhampoca (1), and Bebedo (1).

At the post in the Chiparanja EPC, in Chibabava, there is a large crowd, caused by a lack of charge in the machines. This area is not on the electricity grid: the machines depend on the sun, and the temperature is not favouring them.

In **Nampula**, at the Erua EPC, in Muecate, work stopped because of rain. The Mobile works with solar panels, but there is no sunlight to recharge them.

At the Murrupelane EPC, in Nacala-Porto, in Nampula, the start of activities was delayed by 30 minutes due to a malfunction of the Mobile, and in the Mamialo EPC, there was no registration due to problems with electricity.

At the Nacurare EPC, in Murrupula, there have been failures in printing voter cards since yesterday afternoon (23 March).

In **Cabo Delgado**, at the Minheuene EPC activities were halted due to a breakdown of the machines, and at the Mavala administrative post, in Balama district, the registration was also paralysed due to a machine malfunction.

In Balama, five registration posts were not functioning due to printer breakdowns – namely at the Nacaca EPC, Mpaka, Tutua, Contocuane, and Muripa.

The brigade members at Nanlia locality, in Metuge district, are infuriated at the constant breakdowns of their printer.

Registration post no. 405 at the Josina Machel EPC, in Tenga neighbourhood, Moamba district, in **Maputo province**, has been out of operation for five days, due to a machine breakdown. Up until today, 24 March, the post had only registered 100 voters. According to the brigade supervisor, the machines have been taken to STAE for maintenance.

At the Uachihissa EPC, in Macia, in **Gaza**, registration has been paralysed since yesterday afternoon (23 March) because of lack of electricity.

Bulletin 229 - 22 March 2024 - Storm Filipo

In **Inhambane province**, the storm left a trail of destruction in the districts of Vilankulo, Inhassoro, Mabote, Funhalouro, Massinga, Murrombene, and Homoíne and in the cities of Inhambane and Maxixe.

STAE says that in these areas it will be necessary to reformulate the logistical plan, both for the operations to place the brigades in the voter registration posts, and to acquire tents to accommodate the brigades.

In **Gaza province**, the situation is worrying in the districts of Massingir, Chokwé, Chibuto, Guijá and Limpopo, because access roads have become impassable due to flooding.

In **Maputo province**, special attention is needed for access to the localities of Calanga, in Manhiça district, and Catuane, in Matutuíne district.

In **Sofala**, the storm was most severe in Machanga district, making communication difficult with three registration posts, namely Chichire, Mangueze and Javane, due to cuts in the road.

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Nampula

The rains falling in Mozambique Island and Larde districts had a slight impact on voter registration. At Mupuhula, in Larde, there was a poor turnout due to the rain that fell in the early morning. The same was true at the Sanculo and Jembesse posts. Likewise, because of the rain there were few voters at the Amapá EPC, Tocolo, Ilha Insula, and Namthapa EPC posts on Mozambique Island. Activities are paralysed at registration post number 241, Brigade number 224, at the Chuabo EPC, because the typist has caught conjunctivitis.

Maputo

At the Muzele EPC, in **Matutuine**, work came to halt because the machines malfunctioned. They were all collected by STAE for repairs.

In the Eduardo Mondlane EPC, in **Magude**, the printer had problems in printing the bulletins, and there are also problems with the electricity supply.

At the Macuácuá EPC, in **Namaacha**, the PVC machine does not print the bulletins.

Gaza

At the Ndhangué A Basic School, in **Mabalane district**, the machine has malfunctioned.

At the Hassane EPC, in **Combomune**, and the Mapai EPC, both in **Mapai district**, the registration of voters remains slow. The situation in Hassane is causing long queues to build up.

Inhambane

In the Chongoma and Chemane EPCs, in **Zavala district**, the machines have broken down.

At the post in the **Ngoluine EPC**, work has stopped because the printer is not functioning. The same thing has happened at the **Acaxane basic school**, in **Vilankulo**.

Manica

At the registration post in the **Machaze** secondary school, there was a high turnout of voters, but printing the voter card took a very long time.

In the Mombezi EPC, in Vanduzi, the brigade ran into delays in opening for technical problems. The entire computer kit was taken away for repairs.

Sofala

At the registration post in the Amilcar Cabral EPC, in **Beira**, no voters were registered on 21 March because the machine was out of order.

There was a large crowd of potential voters at the Nharifumbe registration post, in **Maríngué**. They had come from neighbouring posts, namely the Whatchite EPC, Senga-Senga Sede and Catolene (which is in Chemba district), because of machine breakdowns two days earlier.

At the registration post in the 1st May EPC, number 168, in **Gorongosa**, only one machine is working. The other is stopped because it has no electric charge.

At the post in the Josina Machel EPC, in the 1st May neighbourhood, in **Marromeu**, the Mobile was not starting.

A malfunction of the printer in the Maguiguane primary school, in **Manga neighbourhood**, compromised voter registration in Beira.

There are large crowds of voters at the post in the **Guara-Guara EPC, in Búzi**. But since 08.00 on 21 March the voters have not been receiving their cards because of problems with the printer.

The problem persists with the pvc printer which is not printing cards at the registration post in the Nhabia EPC, in **Maríngué**.

At the 1st May Basic School, in **Muxúngue, Chibabava**, registration was proceeding normally. But on 21 March activities halted because of problems with the printer.

At the Cálamo registration post, in **Chemba**, machine malfunctions are slowing down registration. However, the post is managing to register an average of 50 voters a day.

A power cut on 21 March, delayed the start of registration at the 7 April Primary School in **Chipangara** neighbourhood, in **Beira**. At this post, the brigade members could only start work at around 12.00.

Voters are complaining of slow attendance at the post in the Massange EPC, in Beira. The brigade members are taking between 20 and 25 minutes to register each voter.

Tete

In the first seven days, 10,174 voters were registered, which is 8.35% of the voters expected. This information was given by the deputy district director of STAE in **Tsangano**.

At the registration post set up in the locality of Nziwe, in the Nsadzo administrative post, in **Chifunde district**, there is a high turnout of voters.

Zambézia

At the registration post in the Samora Moisés Machel EPC, in **Micajune, Quelimane**, the machines have been out of order since 20 March at 13.00.

The post at the Nomuia EPC, in **Maganja da Costa**, has not been operational since 17 March, due to a breakdown of the mobile. The equipment is now at STAE for repair.

At the Juliua EPC, 42 km from the **Mulumbo district capital**, the registration post was operating smoothly. But as from 13.00 today (21 March) the machines stopped working.

The registration post at the UEM, in **Chuabo Dembe, in Quelimane**, has had difficulties in printing cards since the first day.

The registration post at the **Emília Dausse primary school, in Chinde**, is operating with limitations because the printer does not print cards.

In the post at the Pedreira Alta EPC, in **Alto Molócue**, the printer prints cards with poor quality. The cards have a dark stain on the photograph.

Niassa


Since the start of registration, on 15 March, the post at the Luchiringo-1 EPC, in Lichinga district, has been unable to register voters because, thanks to a malfunction, the machine says that all those who register are the same person. The same thing is happening at the Josina Machel Basic School, em Lichinga.

At the Filipe Samuel Magaia Basic School, also in **Lichinga**, there is despair among the voters who have been unable to register, despite arriving in the early hours of the morning, before the start of the day's activities. The monitors from the various political parties allocated to this post argue that priority in registration should go to citizens who failed to register the previous day.

Cabo Delgado

STAE staff do not have fuel to travel from **Balama town** to the Kuekue administrative post which is 23 kms distant.

STAE in **Mecúfi district** has demoted the supervisor Alberto Bernabe, allocated to Brigade 10, in Maueia locality, after he was found drunk on duty. Thus he has been demoted to the post of typist.

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