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CONSTITUTION OF THE NATIONAL FORUM PARTY (NFP)



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1. NAME AND ABBREVIATION

The name of the political party shall be the National Forum Party, abbreviated as NFP. The abbreviation may be used in official communications and branding purposes.

2. LOGO, SYMBOL, AND PARTY COLOURS

The official emblem of the Party is a stylized human figure rising alongside two green leaves. The human figure represents Kenyans celebrating freedom, unity, and the promise of a better future. The two leaves symbolize the growth and prosperity of our nation.

The symbol shall be associated with unity, dignity, and progress.

The Party colours shall be:

- Green: representing hope and renewal.
- Black: representing the dignity of the Kenyan people.
- Red: representing the sacrifice and struggles for freedom.

3. OBJECTS OF THE POLITICAL PARTY

The objects of the National Forum Party shall be to:

- a) Promote national unity, good governance, and ethical leadership.
- b) Advance democratic principles, justice, and constitutionalism.
- c) Champion economic empowerment and equitable development.
- d) Enhance political participation and civic education.
- e) Advocate for the protection of human rights, minority groups, and gender equity.
- f) Promote youth, women, and disability inclusion in governance.

- g) Uphold environmental conservation and climate responsibility.
- h) Mobilize citizens toward peaceful co-existence and progressive politics.

4. VISION, MISSION, GUIDING PRINCIPLES AND VALUES

Vision:

To build a united, prosperous, and just Kenya anchored on truth, dignity, and participatory governance.

Mission:

To nurture people-driven leadership and inclusive governance through ethical politics and accountable representation.

Guiding Principles and Values:

- Inclusivity and non-discrimination
- Honesty and truthfulness in leadership
- Equity and social justice
- Democratic participation and constitutionalism
- Transparency and accountability
- Respect for human rights and rule of law

5. REGISTERED OFFICE

The physical and postal address of the registered office of the Party shall be:
Lumumba Drive, Apeal Apartments Ground Floor,
P.O. Box 41018-0100, Nairobi, Kenya.

5A. OFFICIAL WEBSITE

The official website of the Party shall be: <https://www.nfp.co.ke>

6. MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

6.1 Eligibility:

Membership is open to all Kenyan citizens aged 18 years and above who support the Party's vision, mission, values, and objectives.

6.2 Subscription Fees:

Every member shall pay a one-time registration fee and annual subscription fees as determined by the National Executive Committee (NEC).

6.3 Resignation and Termination:

A member may resign at any time in writing. Membership shall also cease upon death, expulsion, or joining another political party.

6.4 Rights of Members:

- Participate in Party activities, decisions, and elections.
- Access Party publications and forums.
- Be nominated for leadership and elective positions.

6.5 Duties of Members:

- Uphold the Party Constitution and Code of Conduct.
- Promote the Party's image and participate in its programs.
- Pay membership and subscription fees timely.

6.6 Membership Register:

The register shall include the following details:

- Full name, ID/Passport number, gender, age, county, region, ethnicity, and disability status.

The register shall be updated continuously and verified annually by NEC.

6.7 Party Meeting Procedures

6.7.1 Annual General Meeting (AGM):

Held once every five years by the National Delegates Convention (NDC) to:

- Review policies and programs.
- Elect national officials.
- Receive audited accounts and reports.
- Amend the Constitution if needed.

6.7.2 Special Meetings:

May be convened as required by the NEC or 1/3 of eligible delegates.

6.7.3 Quorum and Procedures:

- Quorum shall be 30% of eligible delegates.
- Decisions made by consensus or simple majority.
- All resolutions shall be minuted and signed.

6.8 Updating of the membership register

The party shall adhere to the requirement by the Registrar to continually update the membership register.

7. GOVERNING BODY AND STRUCTURE

7.1 The governing body of the Party shall be known as the National Executive Committee (NEC).

7.2 Eligibility for election to the governing body:

Candidates must be registered members in good standing and nominated by their respective branches or organs.

7.3 Positions, Titles, and Terms of Office:

- Party Leader, Deputy Party Leaders, Chairperson, Secretary General, Deputy Secretary General, Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, National Organizing Secretary, Committee Secretaries.

Each official shall serve a five-year term and shall be eligible for re-election.

7.4 Rights and Duties:

- Make policy decisions, manage finances, and coordinate Party programs.
- Supervise all branches and leagues.
- Appoint committees and convene meetings.

7.5 Election Procedure:

NEC officials shall be elected by the National Delegates Convention (NDC) through secret ballot or consensus.

7.6 Governance Guidelines:

- The NEC shall meet quarterly.
- Quorum is 1/3 of the NEC.

- Decisions shall be made by simple majority.
- Minutes of all meetings must be recorded, signed, and archived.

8. MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE AND SYSTEMS

8.1 The management structure shall be documented and include:

- Employee contracts detailing terms of service, roles, and responsibilities.
- HR, Financial, Audit, and Administrative Policies to ensure efficiency and accountability.

8.2 Sub-branches shall be established at the:

- County level (47 counties),
- Constituency level (290 constituencies), and
- Ward level (1,450 wards).

9. PARTY BRANCHES AND DIASPORA STRUCTURES

9.1 The Party shall establish branches in all counties, constituencies, and wards in Kenya.

9.2 Diaspora branches may be formed in any country where there are at least 50 registered members.

9.3 Roles and Responsibilities:

- Promote Party programs and mobilize members.
- Coordinate local political activities.
- Serve as a liaison between members and NEC.

10. FINANCIAL STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

10.1 Financial Oversight:

- The NEC shall be responsible for budgeting, fundraising, expenditure, and compliance.
- The National Treasurer shall maintain records and submit quarterly reports to NEC.

10.2 Audits:

- Annual audits shall be performed by certified external auditors.
- Reports shall be submitted to the NDC and Registrar.

10.3 Fund Usage:

- Funds shall only be used for political education, operations, campaigns, party programmes, and development projects.
- Distribution of Party funds among members is strictly prohibited.

11. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE AND COUNTY GOVERNANCE

11.1 The Party shall operate through structured organs at national, county, constituency, and ward levels.

11.2 County Executive Committees will be responsible for executing the Party's policies within their respective counties and shall regularly provide progress reports to the National Executive Council.

12. PARTY CAUCUSES IN LEGISLATURES

12.1 The Party shall establish caucuses for elected members in:

- National Assembly
- Senate
- County Assemblies

12.2 These caucuses shall coordinate legislative strategies, communicate Party policy, and ensure discipline and cohesion.

13. DISCIPLINARY MEASURES

13.1 The Party shall establish Disciplinary Committees at national and county levels.

13.2 Methods and Procedure:

- Initiation of complaint in writing
- Right to a fair hearing (Articles 47 and 50 of the Constitution)
- Decision with written reasons
- Right to appeal

13.3 Disciplinary Actions:

- Verbal or written warning
- Suspension for a specified period
- Expulsion from the Party

13.4 Criteria and Consequences:

- Gross misconduct, corruption, disloyalty, or breach of Party policy
- Expelled members lose all Party privileges and positions at all levels.

14. RIGHT TO INSPECT RECORDS

14.1 Any Party member or citizen may apply in writing to inspect Party registers or books.

14.2 The NEC shall allow access within 14 working days, subject to Data privacy laws.

15. AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES

15.1 The following officials are authorized to sign Party documents:

- Party Leader
- Secretary General
- National Organizing Secretary

15.2 These officials shall sign:

- Membership registers
- Merger or coalition documents
- Annual and financial reports
- Nomination certificates
- Any other documents as required by law

16. POLICY DOCUMENT DEVELOPMENT

These documents shall include party:

- Constitution
- Party Nominations and Election Rules
- Mainifesto
- Policy on internal democracy
- Code of conduct
- Financial policy/Fund manangement policy
- Gender and inclusivity policy
- Communication and public relations policy
- Strategic Plan

16.1 Policy proposals shall be initiated by Party organs or members.

16.2 A Policy Committee shall draft proposals for NEC approval.

16.3 Approved policies shall be published on the Party website and reviewed biennially.

17. POLICY REPORTING

17.1 The NEC shall ensure quarterly and annual policy reports are produced. These reports include:

- Financial Reports
- Performance Reports
- Nomination and elections reports
- Gender and inclusivity reports
- Donor and contribution disclosure reports
- Policy implementation reports

17.2 These shall be approved by the NGC and shared with the public and Registrar

17.3 Approved policies shall be published on the Party website and reviewed biennially

18. ASSET AND FUND MANAGEMENT

18.1 All Party assets shall be recorded in an Asset Register maintained by the National Treasurer.

18.2 Custody and investment decisions shall be made by NEC with advice from the Audit Committee.

18.3 Disposal of assets shall follow transparent and accountable procedures.

19. PARTY ELECTIONS AND NOMINATIONS

As per NFP nominations and election rules:

19.1 The National Elections Board shall manage internal elections and nominations

19.2 Elections for Party officials shall be democratic, transparent, and inclusive.

19.3 Nominations for public offices and Party lists shall follow the guidelines approved by NEC.

20. AMENDMENTS

20.1 The Party Constitution, name, symbol, or colours and rules of the party may be amended by a two-thirds majority of the NDC.

20.2 All changes shall be filed with the Registrar within 14 days.

21. MERGERS

21.1 The Party may merge with other parties upon:

- NEC proposal,
- Two-thirds approval by the NDC.

21.2 The merger shall comply with the Political Parties Act and must be registered with the Registrar.

22. COALITIONS

22.1 The Party may enter coalitions for electoral or policy purposes.

22.2 Coalition agreements must be approved by NEC and ratified by the NDC.

23. DISSOLUTION

23.1 The Party may be dissolved by a resolution of two-thirds of the registered members at a special NDC.

23.2 Upon dissolution:

- All liabilities must be settled
- Remaining assets transferred to a public cause or registered charity as shall be determined by the special NDC

23.3 Notice must be filed with the Registrar.

24. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

24.1 The Party shall establish an Internal Dispute Resolution Committee.

24.2 Disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the Constitution (Articles 47 and 50).

24.3 Any dispute that cannot be resolved by Party organs shall be adjudicated through arbitration. The aggrieved party or parties shall agree on three arbitrators. The recommendations of the arbitrators shall be communicated to the National Governing Council in writing. The National Governing Council will make its decision and communicate in writing to the National Delegates Convention for ratification.

25. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION AND INCLUSION

25.1 The Party shall implement affirmative action for women, youth, persons with disabilities, minorities, and marginalized groups.

25.2 This shall apply to internal elections, nominations, and appointments.

26. HUMAN RIGHTS AND GENDER EQUITY

26.1 The Party shall uphold and promote human rights, gender equity, and democratic governance in all activities and decisions.

27. NATIONAL VALUES AND PRINCIPLES OF GOVERNANCE

27.1 The Party shall promote national values and principles of governance as enshrined in Articles 10 and 232 of the Kenyan Constitution.

27.2 These values shall guide leadership conduct, policy development, service delivery, and public engagement.