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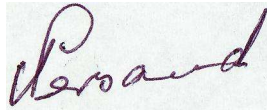
FOUR NEW REGISTRATION OFFICES ESTABLISHED BY GECOM

The Guyana Elections Commission (GECOM) recently established four additional Registration Offices in Registration Districts 1, and 4 with the aim of ensuring that eligible persons living in the target areas could present themselves to become registered with more ease. Another Registration Sub-Office will soon be opened at Mahaica, East Coast Demerara, bringing the total to 28 Offices accessible to persons eligible for registration. The details of the four new Registration Offices, which have been Gazetted, are as follows:-

1. The Office of the Elections Commission located at Port Kaituma Waterfront in the North West District is responsible for registering eligible persons living at Barima Head to Matarkai, Matarkai, Kapoia, Masowah, Matthews Ridge, Arakaka, Sebai to Kaituma, Barima Head, Whanamparu, Debai, Little Anabisi and their respective surrounding areas. This Office serves as a Sub-Registration Office to the Office of the Elections Commission located at the Regional Democratic Council Building, Mabaruma Compound, Mabaruma, North West District.
2. The Office of the Elections Commission located at Lot 49, Sheriff and William Streets, Campbellville, Georgetown, is responsible for registering eligible persons living at Bel Air & Bel Air Springs, Prashad Nagar, Campbellville, Lamaha Gardens, Sophia, Liliendaal, Cummings Lodge, Pattensen, Turkeyen and including all of their respective surrounding areas. This Office serves as a Sub-Registration Office to the Office of the Elections Commission located at the Former Prime Time Building, Church Street, Company Path, Cummingsburg, Georgetown.
3. The Office of the Elections Commission located at the premises of the Church of the Transfiguration, Mandela Avenue, Georgetown is responsible for registering eligible persons living at Lodge Housing Scheme, Durban Backlands, Meadow Brook Gardens, North Ruimveldt, Housing Scheme, Guyhoc Park, South Ruimveldt Park, South Ruimveldt Gardens, Roxanne Burnham Gardens, East Ruimveldt, North East La Penitence, Festival City and including all of their respective surrounding areas. This Office serves as a Sub-Registration Office to the Office of the Elections Commission located at 17, Croal Street, (Action Tyre Building), Stabroek, Georgetown.
4. The Office of the Elections Commission located at Block M, Soesdyke Junction, Soesdyke, Coverden NDC Building, East Bank Demerara is responsible for registering eligible persons living at Moblissa, La Vilette, Elizebeth, Loo Creek, Loo Creek, Kairuni, Kairuni, Moblissa, Loo Lands, Uitspa, Vryheid, Low Wood, Haimaruni, Haibu, Sans Souci, New St. Euastatius, Yarow Kabra, Kururu, Kuru Kuru, Hauraruni, Madwini, Marudi, Kuru Kuru, Badarima, Temehri, Soesdyke, Den Heuvel, Huist Coverden, Caledonia, Land of Canaan and including all of their respective surrounding areas. This Office serves as a Sub-Registration Office to the Office of the Elections Commission located at

The decision to establish the two new Offices in Georgetown was influenced by the population density in the target areas. It was also influenced by advice received from the Guyana Police Force pertaining to security matters. The establishment of the new Offices at Soesdyke and Port Kaituma was found to be necessary because of the conclusion that the distance eligible persons living in the respective target areas were required to travel to become registered would have proven to be discouraging.

GECOM wishes to assure all stakeholders that calls for the establishment of new Registration Offices in other Registration Districts are being considered. It should be noted however, that the establishment of new Registration Offices poses several handicaps, not lastly because of (i) the difficulties encountered in acquiring suitable locations, (ii) the availability of suitable human resources and (iii) budgetary constraints. Nonetheless, GECOM has been dispatching Mobile Registration Units to far flung riverain and hinterland communities to provide easier access for eligible persons to become registered.

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