

**PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE RESULTS OF LONG-TERM  
OBSERVATION OF THE REPEAT ELECTIONS OF DEPUTIES  
TO LOCAL KENESHES IN THE CITIES OF BISHKEK, OSH  
AND TOKMOK, SCHEDULED FOR JULY 11, 2021**

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## ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

LTO	Long-term observer
JK of the KR	Jogorku Kenesh of the Kyrgyz Republic
RRCG	Rapid Response Coordination Group
KR	Kyrgyz Republic
Keneshes	Councils
PIN	Personal Identification Number
PP	Political Party
President of the KR	President of the Kyrgyz Republic
Media	Mass media
TEC	Territorial Election Commission
CEC	Central Commission for Elections and Referenda of the Kyrgyz Republic
PEC	Precinct Election Commission
Foundation	The Common Cause Public Foundation

## 1. SUMMARY

The Common Cause Public Foundation (hereinafter – the Foundation) has prepared a preliminary report on the results of long-term observation of the preparation and conduct of the repeat elections of deputies to city councils in the cities of Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok, scheduled for July 11, 2021

We note that the Foundation also faced several problems due to the growing incidence of COVID-19 and limited resources, was forced to apply some restrictions in its work. Despite the difficult epidemiological conditions, the Foundation decided to conduct full observation of the pre-election period and limited observation on election day at the repeated elections of deputies to city councils in the three above-mentioned cities.

The preliminary report covers the observation of the registration process of candidates from political parties in the repeat elections to city councils of the above-mentioned cities, the activities of election commissions, the procedures of forming and updating the voters' lists, informing and election campaigning, as well as the detection of violations of electoral legislation during the period from June 21 to July 4, 2021.

The pre-election period for the repeat elections to city councils is going on at the peak of the third wave of COVID-19 epidemic, various kinds of critical social and economic events in the country, political reforms, and the summer period, when the electorate is, a priori, passive in electoral processes. Under these conditions, it is assumed that the elections will be held with a low turnout, so the political parties are forced to adjust their strategy, accordingly, taking these factors into account.

Long-term observation shows that the activity of not only the electorate, but also of political parties in the repeat elections is decreasing, which perhaps suggests that the parties have limited resources that they have been able to accumulate for the repeat elections. At the same time, the competition between the parties becomes isolated; on the one hand, due to the fear of repeating the mistakes of the previous election campaign, and on the other hand, due to the expected low turnout, the parties need to campaign intensively.

Political parties interviewed by the Foundation's observers note as the main problem the low awareness of voters about the upcoming elections of local keneshes deputies and the difficulty of campaigning in the current conditions.

Despite the cancellation of the last elections, the practice of misusing administrative resources and vote buying by individual parties, as well as attracting heads of house and quarter committees for election purposes, persists in all three cities. The Fund also notes that vote buying in repeated elections is acquiring more hidden forms and that investigations into violations recorded at the past local elections have not been completed.

The Foundation also notes that the holding of the voting day and summing up the results of the repeated elections of deputies of local keneshes will be carried out by the new composition of the CEC.

The Foundation continues to monitor the election campaign, election day and the post-election period, based on the results of the observation, the Foundation will prepare a preliminary statement and a final report.

## 2. INTRODUCTION

The Common Cause Public Foundation is a non-profit organization established to monitor elections of various levels in the Kyrgyz Republic, implement civic education projects, and promote greater citizen participation in decision-making processes. The Foundation supports the conduct of free and fair elections and the development of civil society and democracy in Kyrgyzstan<sup>1</sup>.

The Foundation's activities are aimed at building effective interaction with the authorities and the population through dialogue, monitoring of important political processes, participation in decision-making processes and ensuring transparency of their promotion in order to protect the rights and freedoms of citizens, to take joint actions for the sustainable democratic development of the country.

The purpose of elections observation is to provide the citizens and election stakeholders with a professional, non-partisan and timely assessment of the compliance with international standards and the national legislation, including the information on potential violations, voter turnout and election results.

Long-term observation is conducted for the purpose of:

- ensuring a fair electoral process in accordance with international standards and national legislation.
- analyzing the electoral legislation in order to draw up recommendations for its further improvement.
- detecting violations and falsification of elections and reporting on them.
- providing verified, timely and unbiased information about the pre-election and post-election periods.

Long-term observation covers the procedures of nomination and registration of candidates from political parties, the formation and activities of election commissions at all levels, the informing and pre-election campaign period, the activities of election commissions on polling day and the summing up of the results of elections of deputies to local councils of the Kyrgyz Republic.

Long-term supervision of the Fund is carried out by the head office and 8 long-term observers present in all regions of the country. Observers collect information on the work of territorial and precinct election commissions, headquarters of political parties and their representatives, and monitor the progress of the campaign.

During the period of elections of deputies to local councils of the Kyrgyz Republic scheduled for July 11, 2021, the Common Cause Public Foundation carries out the following work:

- Informing voters about their rights;
- Conducting long-term observation of the process of preparation and conduct of elections, including the work of election commissions, election campaigning, informing citizens, as well as the post-election period;
- Carrying out short-term observation on election day;
- Monitoring election disputes

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<sup>1</sup> <https://commoncause.kg/about>

The Common Cause PF conducts **long-term observation** of the repeat elections of deputies to three city councils:

- 1) Bishkek city
- 2) Osh city
- 3) Tokmok city

In the course of long-term observation during the pre-election period, the Foundation monitors the activities of TECs, observes the activities of political parties (the Foundation conducts the polling of political party representatives), and records violations.

Violations are classified into 3 types of violations:

- 1) Form on the abuse of administrative resources, pressure, violence and threats.
- 2) Form on vote-buying
- 3) Form on violations of election campaigning rules

The head office staffs, legal experts, regional coordinators, three LTOs in Osh city and four LTOs in Bishkek city and one LTO in Tokmok city were involved to conduct long-term observation of the elections of deputies to local councils.

The head office, as part of the project on observing the elections of deputies to local councils, coordinates the process of long-term observation in the pre-election period.

### **3. ABOUT ELECTIONS**

Elections of deputies to local councils, including 28 city councils, were held on April 11, 2021. In 25 of them the elections were recognized as valid. In three cities (Bishkek, Osh, and Tokmok), election results were cancelled due to numerous violations. Therefore, repeat elections were called.

In accordance with the Decree of the President of the Kyrgyz Republic "On the appointment of repeat elections of deputies to Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok city councils of the Kyrgyz Republic" dated May 27, 2021 No. 231, elections will be held on July 11, 2021 in three cities of Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok.

On May 28, 2021, the CEC approved the "Calendar Plan" of the core organizational and practical measures for the preparation and conduct of repeat elections of deputies to Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok city councils of the Kyrgyz Republic, scheduled for July 11, 2021.

According to the legislation on elections of deputies to local councils, the time limit for repeat elections is reduced by one third. Thus, 20 days before election day, meaning on June 20, 2021, the registration of candidate lists of political parties for the elections of deputies to Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok city councils was completed.

In three cities, 121 deputies are to be re-elected to 3 city councils.

The results of the April 11 elections were cancelled due to the fault of several parties, but the CEC did not focus on the parties in its decision, and these parties were allowed to participate in the repeat elections again. However, the CEC notes that the candidates against whom the court ruled that they had violated the law in the April 11 elections will not be allowed to run in the repeat elections. Yet the law does not provide for the exclusion of the entire party from the repeat elections. Accordingly, territorial election commissions must take the court decisions into account and prevent the participation of these candidates.

Territorial election commissions in three cities have registered the lists of candidates from 25 parties.

The total number of candidates registered in the lists was 2359 people. There are 1,314 candidates from 18 parties in Bishkek, 691 candidates from 9 parties in Osh, and 354 candidates from 6 parties in Tokmok.

Lists of all candidates are published in the local media, as well as posted on the CEC website, in the "Talapker" system at <https://talapker.shailoo.gov.kg>, where the parties also submit their election programs for publication, and the information about the receipt and expenditure of party election funds.

In accordance with the legislation, 20 days (from June 20 to 8:00 am on July 10, 2021) are allocated for campaigning in the elections to the city councils of Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok. July 10 is the day of election silence and elections outside the voting premises will be held, where those citizens who submitted their applications 3 days before the election day will vote.

- Persons wishing to become deputies of city councils must be nominated as members of a party as well, that is, on party lists under the proportional representation system.
- The 7 percent threshold is maintained for parties wishing to be elected to the city councils of the aforementioned cities, as it was before.

#### **4. SOCIO-POLITICAL SITUATION**

The pre-election period in the repeated elections to city keneshes is taking place in the midst of the peak of the third wave of the COVID-19 epidemic, the tense socio-political situation in the country, political reforms and the summer period, when, a priori, the electorate is passive in electoral processes.

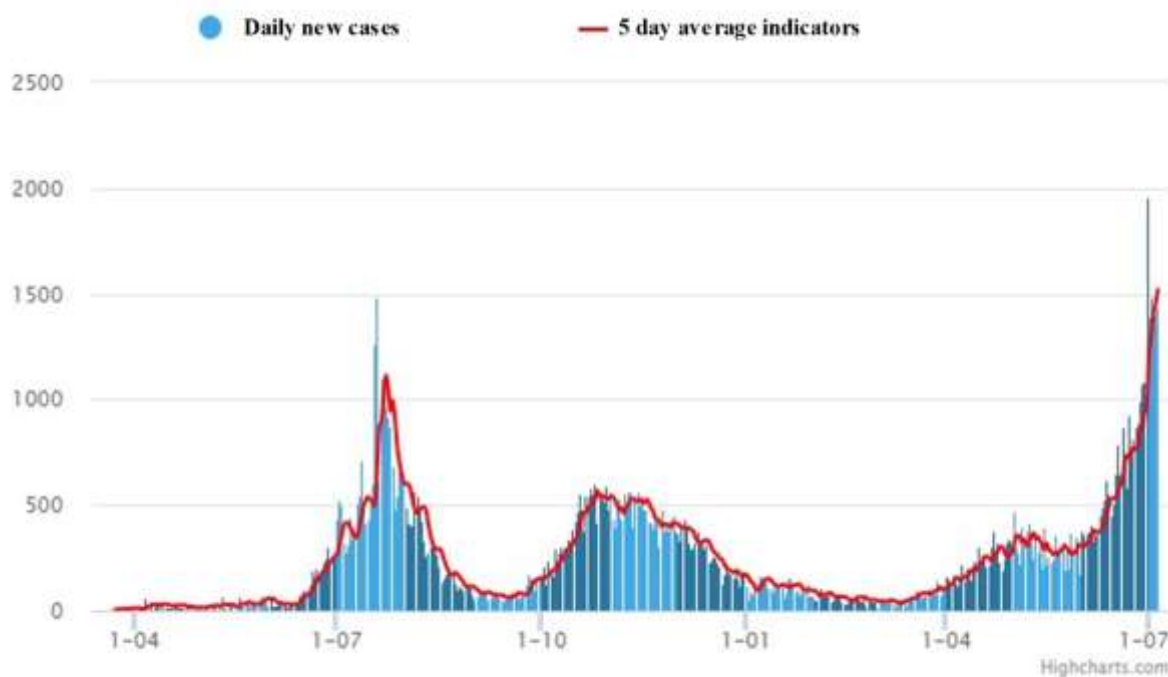
Regarding the social and economic situation in the country, the Fund notes that tensions among the population are increasing due to higher food prices, drought in certain regions, power and gas outages, growing unemployment, rising crime, low vaccination rates and an increase in the number of cases of COVID-19.

As of July 5, 2021, a total of 132,070 confirmed cases of COVID-19 infection were registered in the country, and over the last 24 hours, 1,432 new cases<sup>2</sup> were detected, of which 924 were in the city of Bishkek, 71 - in the city of Osh, 142 - in the Chui region, while for the last 2 weeks there has been an increase in the number of infected. The total number of deaths has reached 2046 people. The chart below shows that Kyrgyzstan is at the peak of the third wave of growth in the COVID-19 epidemic. Independent experts predicted the peak of COVID-19 infections in July 2021, while the issue of postponing the repeat elections in three cities to a later date was not considered, political parties themselves did not apply to postpone the repeated elections. This situation can lead to negative consequences in the future, namely, to a decrease in the level of trust in the elected deputies.

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<sup>2</sup> Ministry of Health data

**Chart 1. Statistics of COVID-19 cases, 2020-2021<sup>3</sup>**



## **5. ACTIVITIES OF ELECTION COMMISSIONS**

As noted earlier, the results of elections of deputies of city keneshes in the cities of Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok on April 11, 2021 were invalidated. Moreover, the responsibility of the Osh and Tokmok territorial election commissions was considered, as a result of which the Osh and Tokmok territorial election commissions were disbanded and approved in new compositions.

The Foundation also notes that holding the voting day and summing up the results of the repeated elections of deputies of local keneshes will be carried out by the new composition of the CEC.

The composition of the Bishkek TEC has also undergone changes, where the former chairman of the Bishkek TEC, Kairat Mamatov, became a member of the CEC, respectively, new TEC members were introduced from the reserve, Stamov Aibek Kubatovich was elected chairman of the Bishkek TEC, and Bakhadyr Arunovich Konurov was elected secretary.

In addition, due to the expiration of the term of office of the CEC, the deputies of the Jogorku Kenesh at a meeting on June 30 voted to elect 12 new members of the CEC.

According to the new constitutional law of the Kyrgyz Republic "On the Central Commission for Elections and Referendums of the Kyrgyz Republic" signed by President Sadyr Japarov, 50% of candidates for the CEC are nominated by the head of state, the remaining 50% are nominated by the Jogorku Kenesh of the Kyrgyz Republic. Thus, the new composition of the CEC is as follows:

CEC members from the JK KR:

1. Uzarbek Zhylykbaev (SDPK);
2. Akylbek Eshimov ("Kyrgyzstan") (re-elected);
3. Kairat Mamatov ("Republic - Ata-Zhurt") (former head of the Bishkek TEC);
4. Tynchtyk Shainazarov (Onuguu-Progress) (re-elected);

<sup>3</sup> <https://zdorovie.akipress.org/news:1692857>



5. Abdyzhapar Bekmatov (Bir Bol) (re-elected);

6. Iskender Gaypkulov (Ata Meken);

CEC members from the President of the Kyrgyz Republic:

7. Nurzhan Shildabekova (re-elected);

8. Mars Naspekov;

9. Anar Dubanbaeva;

10. Nurlan Koichukeyev;

11. Akbalik Zhumalieva;

12. Aidana Zhupueva.

It should be noted that all the above changes took place during the pre-election period of the repeated elections to local keneshes in three cities, the Fund expresses the hope that all the changes that have taken place will not affect the quality of the preparation and conduct of these repeated elections.

The Foundation's observers monitor the CEC and the following TECs:

1) Bishkek TEC

2) Osh TEC

3) Tokmok TEC

In local elections, the main burden is borne by the territorial election commissions, respectively, the role of each TEC in local elections is important, where more autonomy is required, unlike parliamentary and presidential elections, but the overall coordination and approval of the election results is taken by the CEC.

The observation showed that all TECs were formed in accordance with the requirements of the electoral legislation. The registration of public observers in all TECs took place without any particular difficulties when presenting the available directions.

During the reporting period, all three observed TECs were available for observation during the pre-election period. In two TECs (in Osh and Tokmok), Fund observers were able to take part in meetings that were held as usual in Bishkek due to the aggravation of the situation with the COVID-19 epidemic, Fund observers monitored the activities of the TECs remotely. The quorum at meetings was observed in all TEC meetings.

All three monitored TECs notified about the upcoming meetings, mainly in a personal meeting with TEC members. Observers noted that during the meetings in the Osh and Tokmok TECs, the sanitary rules were partially observed. At the same time, it is noted that election officials are at increased risk of infection with COVID-19 and some of them are in isolation.

When considering complaints, applications and appeals, TECs do not always comply with the terms of consideration, so in the city of Osh, when considering complaints and appeals, there is a delay in the process.

TECs adopted several decisions when considering violations committed by political parties.

On June 23, 2021, the working group for monitoring compliance with the election campaign procedure of the Bishkek TEC considered messages received from the RRCG of the CEC of the Kyrgyz Republic and posts published on social networks by the political parties "Ishenim",

“Reform” and “Stolitsa”, as well as a candidate from the political party “Ata-Jurt Kyrgyzstan” with signs of premature election campaigning and decided to issue a verbal warning to the candidate from the political party “Ata-Jurt Kyrgyzstan” K.K. Kongantiev, as well as to the political parties “Ishenim”, “Reform” and “Democratic Party”, “Capital” on the inadmissibility of violating the rules for conducting the rules of pre-election campaigning.

On July 3, 2021, at its meeting, the Bishkek TEC considered applications against the political party "Bizdin Kyrgyzstan" for using in its campaign materials a photo depicting a politician of another state, which is a violation of the requirements of part 2 of article 28 of the Law of the Kyrgyz Republic "On elections of local deputies keneshes".

Following the consideration, it was decided to issue a written warning to the political party "Bizdin Kyrgyzstan". Repeated violations of the electoral law may entail more serious sanctions against the party, up to the cancellation of the registration of the candidate or the list of candidates from the party.

In connection with the information disseminated in the media, according to a video published on a social network, where a candidate from the Kelechek-Future political party advocates the legalization of bigamy. The "Reform" party in its statement refers to the Constitution of the Kyrgyz Republic, the Criminal Code of the Kyrgyz Republic and the Law "On elections of deputies of local keneshes".

As a result of consideration, the Bishkek TEC found no violations of the Law "On elections of deputies of local keneshes", while it gave the applicant a recommendation to apply to law enforcement agencies to determine the signs of a criminal act in the appeal of the candidate N. Abdykaimova, and also to remove the published video in order to avoid creating negative public opinion.

Also on the basis of a video published on the Facebook social network, where the candidate from the Emgek party S. Doolotbakov paints a bench in one of the courtyards of the Oktyabrsky district of Bishkek, as well as photographs with children, having examined additional video materials submitted by the candidate, the Bishkek TEC did not reveal any violations the procedure and rules for conducting pre-election campaigning.

Several possible serious violations are still under consideration currently.

## **6. VOTER REGISTRATION**

The CEC of the Kyrgyz Republic on June 9, 2021, posted a preliminary voter list on the state portal of voters "Tizme" - <https://tizme.gov.kg/>, and on June 20, 2021, a checklist was posted for the repeated elections of deputies of local keneshes in the cities of Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok, the final list should be posted on the sites by July 9, 2021. At the same time, on July 2, 2021, the deadline for clarification in the lists of citizens and for applying with an application ended.

Voters could clarify their polling station (number and address) and check themselves in the voter lists on the state portal of voters "Tizme" - at the link <https://tizme.gov.kg/>, or by calling the short number 1255, as well as by calling or sending to number 119 SMS indicating your PIN - number indicated in your passport.

To participate in the elections of deputies of local keneshes, the address of registration of the place of residence of citizens must correspond to the indicated address / entry in the chip of the place of residence in the passport.

**Table 1. The number of voters in the checklist for the repeated elections of deputies of local keneshes in three cities, as of June 20, 2021.**

Name of areas	Number of PECs	Preliminary list. Qty on 06/09/2021	Control List. Qty on 06/20/2021	In comparison 06.09.21 / 06.20.21
Bishkek TEC	228	424 847	425 107	260
Osh TEC	78	148 144	148 224	80
Tokmok TEC	20	37 164	37 134	-30

**Table 2. The number of voters in the checklist for the elections of deputies of local keneshes, as of June 20, 2021, by gender and age.**

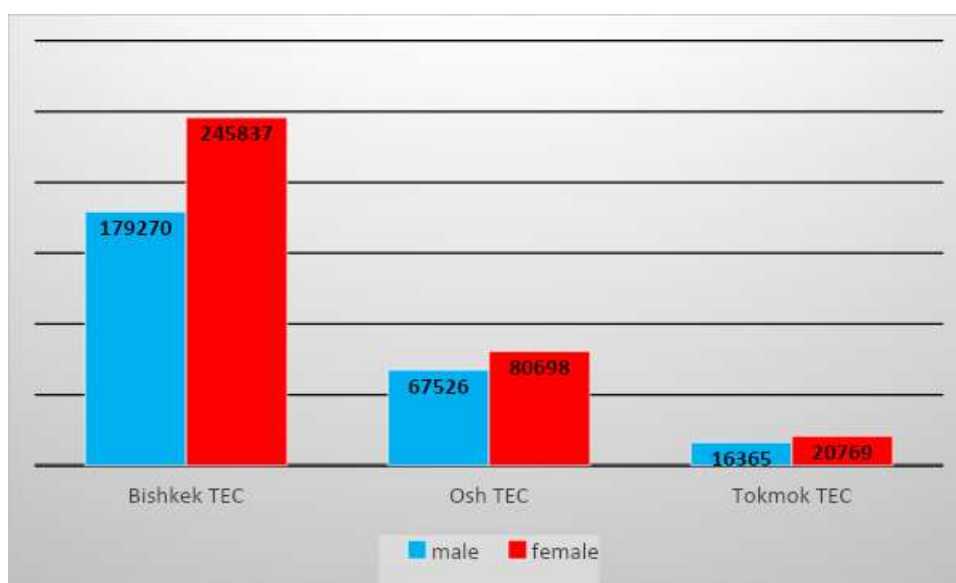
Territorial election commissions	Gender		In terms of age					
	male	female	~ 29	30 ~ 39	40 ~ 49	50 ~ 59	60 ~ 69	70+ ~
Bishkek TEC	179 270	245 837	100 817	99 529	77 311	68 649	48 740	30 061
Osh TEC	67 526	80 698	41 325	37 137	24 013	22 659	16 457	6 633
Tokmok TEC	16 365	20 769	9 999	8 420	6 357	5 890	4 410	2 058

As of June 20, 2021, the number of voters in the control list of voters for the repeated elections of deputies of local keneshes is as follows: in the city of Bishkek there are 425 107 voters, of which men - 179 270, women - 245 837 or 42.2% and 57.8 % respectively, while there is an increase in the number of voters by 260 people.

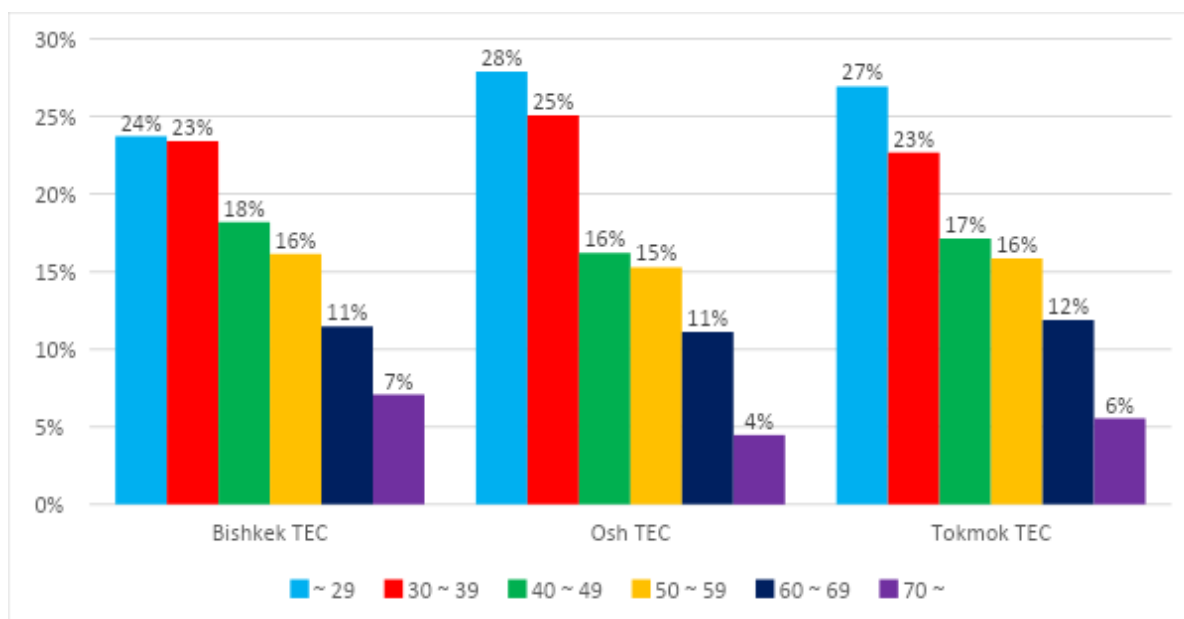
There are 148,224 voters in the city of Osh, of which 67,526 are men, 80,698 women, or 45.6% and 54.4%, respectively, an increase in the number of voters by 80 people.

There are 37,134 voters in Tokmok city, of whom 16,365 are men, 20,769 women, or 44.1% and 55.9%, respectively, which is curious in the city of Tokmok there is a decrease in the number of voters by 30 people.

**Chart 2. Gender representation of voters in Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok cities**



**Chart 3. Age categories of voters in the cities of Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok**



## 7. ELECTION CAMPAIGN

On June 13, 2021, according to the CEC calendar plan for the preparation and conduct of repeated elections of deputies of Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok city councils, scheduled for July 11, 2021, the stage of nominating lists of candidates from political parties for participation in the repeated elections of deputies of Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok city keneshes.

Candidates from 26 parties were registered for repeated elections to city councils of Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok cities. Of these, 18 were registered in the Bishkek City Council, nine in Osh and six in Tokmok.

**Table 3. Information on three city keneshes**

№	Name of the city kenesh	Number of mandates	Number of parties	Number of candidates	Male	Female
	<b>3 c/c</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2359</b>	<b>1459</b>	<b>900</b>
1	Bishkek c/c	45	18	1314	798	516
2	Osh c/c	45	9	691	440	251
3	Tokmok c/c	31	6	354	221	133

As a result, the Bishkek TEC registered lists of candidates from 18 parties: Emgek, Onuguu-Progress, Turan, Bizdin El, Zamandash, Capital, Green Party, Yntymak, Bizdin Kyrgyzstan, "Social Democrats", "Reform", "Strength in Unity", "Kelechek-Future", "Ata-Jurt Kyrgyzstan", "Ishenim", "Zhany Mezgil", "Uluu-Jurt", "Aikol Kyrgyzstan".

18 political parties nominated 1371 candidates, the Bishkek TEC registered 1314 candidates, 57 candidates nominated in the lists of candidates were denied registration.

691 candidates from 9 political parties were registered to the Osh Territorial Election Commission: Yntymak, Uluu Zhurt, Bir Bol, Bizdin Kyrgyzstan, Butun Kyrgyzstan, Ata-Zhurt Kyrgyzstan, Uluttar Birimdigi, Kelechek-Future, Nur.

Six political parties submitted lists of candidates for registration to the Tokmok TEC and were registered: El Birimdigi, Birge-Vmeste, Emgek, Patriot Yntymagy, Asyl Muras Zhashtary, Ata-Zhurt Kyrgyzstan.

The political party "Ata-Jurt Kyrgyzstan" intends to take part in the elections in three cities.

In two cities, lists of candidates were nominated by 5 parties (Kelechek-Future, Bizdin Kyrgyzstan, Yntymak, Uluu-Zhurt, Emgek).

The rest of the parties submitted lists of candidates only to one of the cities.

At the same time, some parties that won the elections on April 11 according to preliminary results refused to participate in the repeat elections for various reasons, and some parties are participating in this process for the first time.

In this regard, earlier the Social Democrats party demanded that new parties be denied registration. The Bishkek TEC decided to refuse to satisfy the application of the Social Democrats, referring to the fact that the Law does not contain provisions limiting the participation of new parties in repeated elections to local keneshes.

According to observers, there is a very low awareness of the population about the forthcoming re-elections in all three cities. Some citizens do not have information about the date of the upcoming re-election.

As part of the monitoring of local elections, long-term observers of the Foundation hold meetings with representatives of political parties. Thus, in Bishkek, meetings were held with 5 parties out of 18 registered. Full data on the results of meetings and questionnaires of political parties will be reflected in the final report.

On June 2, 2021, observers held meetings with 5 political parties in Bishkek:

- 1) PP "Turan"
- 2) PP "Social Democrats"
- 3) PP "Emgek"
- 4) PP "Capital"
- 5) PP "Ata-Jurt Kyrgyzstan"

As a result of the meetings, political parties noted the following:

1) The biggest concern of all polled political parties is the lack of awareness of the population about the upcoming elections to local keneshes on July 11, 2021 and the weak work of the relevant state bodies in this matter.

Considering these events, the polled political parties predict a record low voter turnout, which is also caused by the current negative epidemiological situation in the country, abnormally hot weather, the vacation season and citizens' fatigue from frequently repeated electoral processes.

2) The parties "Turan" and "Stolitsa" announced that they completely abandoned the production of printed materials and rental of banners, preferring campaigning work in social networks of the Internet space.

3) The Sotsial-Democrats party has expressed doubts about the reliability of the data from the electoral funds of individual parties, regarding the indication of the cost of rented advertising space at a price ten times lower than their market value.

4) The parties "Emgek", "Stolitsa" and "Ata-Zhurt Kyrgyzstan" expressed dissatisfaction with the large amount of "black PR" in relation to both the parties themselves and individual candidates.

5) Some parties note that despite the cancellation of the last elections, the practice of using administrative resources and bribery by individual parties, as well as attracting heads of house and quarter committees for election purposes, persists in all three cities.

## **8. VIOLATIONS AND COMPLAINTS**

Unlike a number of previous monitoring missions on a local and international scale, the Fund decided to monitor the elections of deputies of local keneshes of the Kyrgyz Republic with an emphasis on observing possible facts of abuse of administrative resources, threats and pressure on voters, bribery and violations of election campaign rules. For the purpose of effective monitoring, a team of long-term observers was trained, the main purpose of whose work is to monitor violations by the subjects of the electoral process and, in part, to monitor the activities of TECs. In order to promptly exchange information and respond, special, so-called incident forms for 3 types of violations were developed for the LTOs:

- Misuse of administrative resources, threats, pressure and violence against voters
- Vote-buying
- Violation instilled in election campaigning.

1. As of July 4, 2021, public observers of the Foundation sent information on 64 identified violations. Of these, 6 on the use of administrative resources, pressure, threats, and violence; 8 - in cases of vote-buying; 50 - in cases of violations of the election campaign. On 2 violations, the information was transferred to the Rapid Response Coordination Group (RRCG).

1) Administrative resource, pressure, threat, violence: in relation to PP "Emgek" - 3; PP "Asyl-Muras zhashtary" - 1; "It is not known in favor of which party" - 2.

By regions: Bishkek city - 2; Osh city - 1; Tokmok city - 3.

2) Vote-buying: in relation to PP "Ata-Zhurt Kyrgyzstan" - 2; PP "Birge-Vmeste" - 2; PP "Bizdin Kyrgyzstan" - 1; PP "El Birimdigi" - 1; PP "Onugu-Progress" - 1; PP "Emgek" - 1.

By regions: Bishkek city - 2; Osh city - 3; Tokmok city - 3;

Of these, 2 complaints were transferred to the RRCG.

3) Violation of the rules of pre-election campaigning: a total of 50 cases were identified.  
By regions: Bishkek city - 11; Osh city - 38; Tokmok city - 1;

## **9. RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **To Election Commissions:**

1. Strengthen the work on informing the population about the upcoming re-elections of deputies of local keneshes in the cities of Bishkek, Osh and Tokmok, and the need to strictly adhere to measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

### **To Law enforcement agencies:**

1. Strengthen work on timely response to incoming signals about the use of administrative resources and the use of bribery, as well as consideration of complaints on these signals as soon as possible.

### **To Political parties:**

1. Strictly observe the norms of the electoral legislation and refrain from using illegal and controversial forms of campaigning.

2. When conducting campaigning events, observe the rules of sanitary and epidemiological safety associated with COVID-19.