# KENYA DEMOCRACY FOR CHANGE (KDC)



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## PARTY CONSTITUTION

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#### **PREAMBLE**

We, the members of KENYA DEMOCRACY FOR CHANGE(KDC);

**ACKNOWLEDGING** the Supremacy of the people and that the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya is supreme and basic law of the land

**HONOURING** our heritage as Kenyans and our forefathers who struggled to **liberate** our country from the chains of colonialism to bring justice to our people;

**NOTING** the aspirations of our members for a Democratic, Just and Accountable government based on freedom social justice and the rule of law

**GRATEFUL** of our ethnic, cultural, religious diversity and determined to live in peace, harmony and unity as one indivisible people

**RECOGNIZING** the aspirations of our members to form a government based on the essential values of democracy, human rights, Equality, freedoms, social justice and the rule of law

**PROUD** of our ethnic, cultural and religious diversity and **COGNIZANT** that our political processes and political class are a major cause of disharmony manifesting in tribalism and our citizens voting along ethnic lines, determined to eliminate any form of tribalism and live in peace and unity as one people one Kenya;

**RESOLVE** to form a national, all-inclusive, democratic, transparent, accountable and progressive mass political party to actualize the hopes, dreams and aspirations of the people of Kenya from all walks of life.

**PLEDGING** the principles of Nationalism, Patriotism, Liberty, Democracy and Unity and our loyalty and allegiance to the people and Republic of Kenya

**EXERCISING** our sovereign and inalienable rights to determine the form of governance of our party and having participated fully in the making of this constitution;

ADOPT AND ENACT and give this constitution to ourselves as Kenya Democracy for Change

#### CHAPTER 1-PRELIMINARY (DEFINITIONS /TERMS)

#### Article 1

This Constitution shall be cited as the KENYA DEMOCRACY FOR CHANGE (KDC) Constitution and shall come into operation on such day as it is approved by the National Delegates Conference

#### Article 2

In this Constitution, unless the context otherwise requires:

"Party" means the KENYA DEMOCRACY FOR CHANGE(KDC)

"Registrar" means the registrar of political parties designated as such under section 2 and 33 of the Political Parties Act. 2011.

"KDC" means KENYA DEMOCRACY FOR CHANGE(KDC)

"Political Party" means any association or organization of persons, which has for its objects or purposes proposing or supporting of candidates for National, or local authority elections.

"Polling Station" means polling station as defined by IEBC at the last General Election

"Office bearer" means any person who is elected by the members of the party to hold a particular office.

"Corporate" means a registered political party, which is a member of KENYA DEMOCRACY FOR CHANGEor *vice versa*.

"Group Member" means a registered organization e.g., Trade Unions, Professional Associations, Students' Unions, etc.

#### CHAPTER 2: NAME, SLOGAN AND PARTY SYMBOL

#### **Article 3 Formation:**

It is hereby formed a Political Party that shall be known as KENYA DEMOCRACY FOR CHANGE (KDC) (hereinafter referred to as "the Party"). The party shall be a corporate body with a common seal and shall have perpetual succession and as a corporate body may exercise all legal actions including instituting suits on its own name and defend suits brought against itself

#### **Article 4 Party Symbol**

The Party Symbol "Binoculars" engrained in Blue and White color.

#### **Article 5 Party Colours**

The Party colours are Light blue, white and Royal Cream.

#### Article 6 Slogan

The Party's slogan is "Democracy for all"

#### **Article 3.5: Party Salute**

The Party salute is a high five {hand with five fingers raised up}.

Article 7 Party Physical Address and Offices,

The site of the National Headquarters of KDC shall be Mombasa Old Town, P. O Box 80853-80100 Mombasa.

Website: https://kdc.ke

**Article 8 Ideology** 

Social Democracy

#### **Article 9 The Constitution**

This Constitution shall be the Supreme organ of the Party.

#### **CHAPTER 3: VISION, MISSION AND VALUES**

#### **Article 10 Vision**

The Party's vision shall be to establish a prosperous, nation where every citizen enjoys social, economic and democratic rights

#### **Article 11 Mission**

To build a social, democratic state and society in which all Kenyans will have a better life and feel at home as individuals and cultural, marginalized communities and people living with disabilities.

#### **Article 12 Guiding Principles and Values**

The KENYA DEMOCRACY FOR CHANGE Values and Guiding Principles of governance include;

- i. Nationalism and patriotism
- ii. Commitment to absolute fairness and equal opportunities for all
- iii. Social justice
- iv. Protection and non-discrimination of minorities and Persons with disability
- v. Equality, Equity, Tolerance and Inclusivity
- vi. Respect for Human rights and fundamental Freedoms
- vii. Respect for constitutionalism and the rule of law
- viii. Peaceful, harmonious and cohesive co- existence with mutual understanding
- ix. Unity in diversity, Integrity and honesty

#### **CHAPTER 4: GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

#### **Article 13 Goals and Objectives**

The KDC goals and objectives are;

- a) To establish a Democratic, transparent and accountant Government for the people of the Republic of Kenya based on democratic principles of good governance founded on the rule of law, justice, fairness, equality, liberty, unity, harmony and Peace.
- b) To provide an accountable Leadership to the people of Kenya in all forms of governance devoid of corruption, nepotism and discrimination
- c) To compete fairly with other political parties for the purposes of winning elections and forming government by nominating and fielding of candidates in all elective offices including Presidential, Parliamentary, Gubernatorial and County Assembly
- d) To promote political governance founded on the popular will of the people exercised through grassroot participation in Party activities and Universal suffrage aimed at the total eradication of all forms of negative ethnicity, sectionalism, racism, sectoralism oppression, discrimination, suppression and exploitation.
- e) To establish and entrench sound economic institutions and fiscal policies to ensure a sustainable development that is transparent, accountable and offers a free and fair distribution of public resources
- f) To encourage and promote Alliances and coalition building among political parties pursuing similar objectives in Kenya
- g) To safeguard the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya and ensure that any changes or subsequent amendments are made in the interests of the majority of its citizens
- h) To protect and promote the enjoyment of Human rights as enshrined in the constitution of Kenya and any International conventions and treaties to which Kenya is a signatory.
- i) To End Poverty, Hunger and disease and to enhance food security through improved nutrition and sustainable Agriculture, endure a health National and well-being of all citizens
- j) To preserve National Heritage, history cultural diversity, national monuments, historical sites and archives for the good and enjoyment of posterity and enhancement of the cultural lives all Kenyans
- k) To take urgent action against climate change and its impacts by regulating emissions, raising mass awareness on adaptation, mitigation, afforestation, reforestation, climate smart agriculture, geothermal clean and renewable energy developments.

- To develop and promote sound environmental and conservation policies that would ensure sustainable development and a responsible utilization of Kenya's Natural Resources
- m) To mobilize financial resources for the Party including but not limited to borrowing, pledging, mortgaging and charging Party assets to secure loans, engaging in any commercial activity or undertaking, investing any of it monies in securities or ventures as approved by the relevant party organs.
- n) To promote the full participation of women, youth, Persons with disability, minorities, marginalized or any other disadvantaged groups in the management of public affairs and national development through affirmative action and mainstreaming their participation in party programs and all structures at all levels.
- o) To pursue and promote Gender Equality and mainstream it
- p) To promote social programs that provide every citizen with quality life, education, adequate Human settlements and ensure full realization of human rights as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya
- q) To create a Nation driven by collective consciousness, empathy, compassion, benevolence, integrity, cohesion, harmony, understanding, Unity, Peace, dialogue, integration, reconciliation and safe guard National interests from sectarianism, negative ethnicity and racism
- r) To confer awards or marks of distinction to any person, institution or organization that has rendered exemplary service to the Party or otherwise contributed to the advancement of the Party's interests, objectives and values.
- s) To defend National sovereignty and territorial integrity and to resist any adverse alien domination, influence and ideology that would corrupt the moral and social fabric of the Kenyan citizens.
- t) To promote and strengthen the cooperative movement, trade unions, welfare associations, professional organizations and non-governmental and involve them in party activities so as to garner support for the Party and build a strong foundation for a Democratic system of governance in Kenya.
- u) To collaborate and work with any local, National and international organizations to promote the Party's interests, goals and objectives.
- v) To conduct civic awareness to all citizens on public matters, party policies and programs with a view of enhancing and maintaining a just and Democratic system and society
- w) To safeguard the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya
- x) To ensure the strengthening of Parliamentary and County assembly groups with an effective legislative agenda for the Party
- y) To form Branches countrywide
- z) To recruit Party members

### CHAPTER 5: MEMBERSHIP, RIGHTS AND DUTIES

#### **Article 14 Membership**

- a. Membership of the Party shall be open to all Kenyan citizens in possession of a valid National Identification card or Passport, irrespective of gender, race, colour or creed and who accept principles, objects, policies, programs, directives and discipline of the Party and are prepared to profess and abide by this Constitution and rules made there-under provided that such person is not a member of another Political Party within the meaning of the Political Parties Act, 2011.
- b. Any person who, upon application has manifested a clear identification with the Party and its principles, objects, policies, programs, directives, discipline and is resident in Kenya.
- c. Any person who, upon application is a citizen of the Republic of Kenya though not ordinarily resident in Kenya and has manifested a clear identification with the Party, its principles, objects, policies, programs, directives and discipline. Such a member temporarily residing abroad for a continuous period of more than twelve months may retain his/her membership but shall notify Party Headquarters of his/her forwarding address.
- d. No person otherwise disqualified under the Political Parties Act, 2011 shall be eligible for membership as a founding member within the meaning of that Act.
- e. All members shall be issued with a unique electronic membership number
- f. All members shall, before being issued with a membership number or certificate subscribe to the Party's ideals, code of conduct and pledge their commitment to the values of the party.
- g. All members shall, before being issued with a membership number or certificate pay prescribed fees for membership

#### **Article 15 Categories of Membership**

i. The National Executive Committee shall have powers to create or abolish any category of membership for the advancement of the Party's interest as the circumstances may permit

- ii. The Party shall for the time being, have the following categories of membership;
  - a. Ordinary Member
  - b. Silver Member
  - c. Gold Member
  - d. Group Member
  - e. Corporate Member
  - f. Diaspora Member
- iii. All members are equal save that Gold Members are those members who voluntarily decide to support the growth and welfare of the party through special financial or non-financial contribution.
- iv. Group Membership shall be made upon an application to the NEC and shall be open to organizations including but not limited to Trade unions, professional bodies, business associations, cooperative societies, student unions or any other organization that subscribes to this Constitution Committee
- v. A Member may convert their category of membership at any time upon paying the prescribed member fees for the desired category

#### **Article 16 Member Party Register**

- i. The Secretary-General shall be the custodian of the Party register and maintain it in such a manner as to ensure at all times it is up-to-date
- ii. The membership register shall contain the following, identification details, region, ethnicity, disability, gender, and county
- iii. The branch secretaries shall be the custodians of the branch register provided that they submit a copy of this register to the Secretary-General for safekeeping
- iv. The office of the Secretary-General shall have a corresponding register with each one kept at the Party Branches in the Country
- v. Membership register shall be continuously reviewed to accommodate new registrations

#### **Article 17 Rights of Party Members**

A member of the party shall have the right to:

- a) Participate in Party activities;
- b) Take a full and active part in the discussion, formulation and implementation of Party policies;
- c) Receive copies of Party documents including the Constitution, Members' Guide, Election and Nomination Rules, Party manifesto and available information about their local branch upon request;
- d) Receive and impart information on all aspects of Party policies and activities save where such right has been lawfully restricted;

- e) Offer constructive criticism of any member, official, policy, program or activity within the Party and its structures;
- f) Submit proposals or statements to the Branch, or National Executive Committee provided that such proposals are submitted through appropriate Party structures;
- g) Take part in elections through voting and be eligible for Party and National Elections at all levels upon nomination.

#### **Article 18 Duties of Party Members**

#### A member of the Party shall

- i. Take all necessary steps to understand and carry out the objects, policies and programs of the party;
- ii. Explain the objects, policies and programs of the Party to others;
- iii. Combat propaganda detrimental to the interests of the Party and defend the objects, policies and programs of the Party;
- iv. Popularize the Party;
- v. Observe discipline, the Party Code of Conduct and obey lawful decisions made by regular Party organs;
- vi. Refrain from publishing and or distributing through the media any information deemed confidential, or any other view purporting the same to be the view of the
- vii. Party without proper authority or mandate of a regular organ of the Party;
- viii. Ensure that he or she is registered as a voter within any of the constituencies in the country and take all steps to vote during Party and national elections;
  - ix. If a member holds an elective office in any sphere of governance at National, Branch or local level, be a member of the appropriate Party caucus and function within its articles, abiding by all lawful decisions under general provisions of this Constitution and structures of the Party;
  - x. Be liable to pay such fees as shall be prescribed by the Party;
  - xi. Support the Party financially and materially when called upon to do so for a good cause.

#### **Article 19 Termination of Membership**

- i. A member of the Party shall cease to be one:
  - a) Upon written resignation to the relevant Branch. Membership shall terminate with effect from the date of the receipt thereof, provided that the termination shall not absolve the member from performing any outstanding obligations owed to the Party or other members qua members;
  - b) By a resolution passed by the National Executive Council and ratified by the National Governing Council;

- c) By accepting an office, subscribing to or promoting activities of a Political Party or Organization whose aims and objectives are in competition with or in conflict with those of KDC;
- d) Upon death
- e) By an operation of any prescribed law.
- ii. A person who has terminated his or her membership:
  - a) shall not be entitled to a refund of fees or subscriptions made by him or her to the Party prior to termination, and all rights, privileges and responsibilities or facilities granted to or enjoyed by him or her by virtue of his membership shall automatically terminate with effect from the date of receipt of written resignation from the Party;
  - b) Shall return all party property within his custody, possession or control, failure to which the Party shall have a right to lay claims against such person for any money due or owing to the Party or for any damage or loss occasioned to Party property which was in his custody, possession or control prior to termination of membership;
  - c) Shall have his/her name struck off from the register of Party members.

#### Article 20 Inspection of Accounts and Membership Registers

The books of accounts and all documents relating thereto and the list of members of the Party shall be available for inspection at the registered office of the Party by any relevant official, members of the Party, and members of the public by giving not less than fourteen days' notice in writing.

#### **CHAPTER 6: NATIONAL PARTY OFFICIALS**

#### **Article 21 National Officials**

The Party shall be managed by the following officials who shall be known as The National Officials:

- i. Party Leader
- ii. Deputy Party Leader
- iii. National Chairperson
- iv. 1st Deputy National Chairperson (operations)
- v. 2nd Deputy National Chairperson (Programs)
- vi. Secretary General
- vii. National Treasurer
- viii. National Organizing Secretary
- ix. National Woman Leader
- x. National Youth Leader
- xi. Secretary Special Interests Group
- xii. Secretary Persons with Disability
- xiii. Director of Campaigns and Political affairs
- xiv. Leader of Parliamentary Group
- xv. Leader of County Assembly Group

#### Article 22 Duties and Responsibilities of National Officials

The duties of the Party Officials shall be;

#### i. Party Leader;

The Party Leader shall be the political head of the Party and ensure Party unity, cohesion and efficiency within the Party ranks these functions shall include but not limited to:

- a. Provide leadership and vision to the Party
- b. Articulate the party's values and objectives.
- c. Promote unity and cohesion among party members
- d. To imbue party members with charisma and inspire them to be royal and patriotic to the Party's ideology, values and objectives.
- e. Ensure that the Party fully participates in National issues and champions the party's campaign to form the next Government.
- f. Lead the party to political negotiations with any party or other parties to form alliances or coalitions to form Government or create majorities or any other purpose provided it is in alignment with the party's values and objectives.
- g. Provide wise counsel to National Officials and party members on any matter in dispute or under controversy within any party organ or any party member.
- h. Confer honors of recognition distinction, merit awards, accolade to party members and any other person who in the opinion of NEC has made an outstanding contribution to the Party in the achievement of its objectives, goals, policies and programs

#### ii. Deputy Party Leader

- a. Shall be the principal assistant of the Party Leader and shall perform such duties and functions as might be expressly delegated by the Party Leader
- b. Shall assist the Party Leader in offering leadership, counsel and guidance

#### iii. National Chairperson

The National Chairperson shall

- a. Provide leadership and ensure sound overall management and running of the party
- b. Defend the Party Constitution and articulate the Party policies and programs to the public in order to attract more members.
- c. Ensure discipline and proper order within the party in accordance with the Party Constitution
- d. Impart into party membership
- e. Forge a strong sense of unity and ensure a harmonious relationship within the Party organs and among party members
- f. Convene and preside over the National Delegates Convention, NGC, NEC and any other meetings requiring the Chairperson 's attendance
- g. Ensure that there is Order at all meetings of the Party Organs
- h. Receive and consider periodic reports on accountability and performance of the Party in consultation with the Party Leader
- i. Ensure that all national officials perform their functions
- j. Undertake any duties as may be assigned by the National Executive Council and the Party Leader

#### iv. 1st Deputy National chairperson (Operations)

The 1st Deputy National Chairperson (Operations) shall assist the National Chairperson in all matters pertaining to logistics and administrative operations of Branches, the Women and Youth Leagues and perform any other assignments as the Chairperson may delegate from time to time

#### v. 2nd Deputy National Chairperson (Programs)

The 2nd Deputy National Chairperson (Programs) shall assist the National chairperson in all matters relating to party policies and programs, oversee and coordinate all ad hoc and national committees of the Party and perform any other assignments as the Chairperson may delegate from time to time

#### vi. Secretary General

The Secretary General shall be the Party spokesperson and custodian of all party's records and shall be responsible to the National Executive Committee for the management of the National Secretariat;

The Secretary General shall;

- a. Ensure all Party meetings including the National Executive Council, the National Governing Council and the National Delegates Convention take place as stipulated in this Constitution and there resolutions are recorded thereof.
- b. Keep proper records of all minutes of the Party meetings and ensure timely dissemination to all concerned members once approved.

- c. Be in charge of Party communication and Correspondences
- d. Prepare annual reports on the work of the National Executive Council and National Governing Council and present them at the National Delegates Convention
- e. Ensure the implementation of all party policies, programs and strategies
- f. Be the depository and custodian of all Party Documents, the Party Seal, Party minutes register, instruments of intellectual property rights, and an inventory of party assets
- g. Coordinate all party meetings and host all party visitors and delegations
- h. Develop a party manifesto and its subsequent revisions
- i. Maintain a Party Register of all members of the party in all categories of membership.
- j. Be the signatory of all nomination certificates and other statutory documents of the party candidates
- k. A signatory to all party bank accounts and transactions
- I. Shall correspond and consult with the Registrar of Political parties as the authorized Party Official

#### vii. National Treasurer

The National Treasurer shall be in charge of all party finances and shall supervise all financial transactions at all party levels under the direction of the National Executive Council

The National Treasurer shall

- a. Receive and bank all monies on behalf of the NEC and operate a banking account together with such other signatories as the NEC
- b. Shall prepare annual Party budget estimates
- c. Keep such books of accounts as may be necessary to record the clear financial position of the Party.
- d. Prepare or cause to be prepared and submit to the NEC financial statements quarterly and ensure that copies of duly audited annual statements are submitted to all delegates at the same time the notice convening the National Delegates Convention is sent out.
- e. Ensure the execution of prudent stewardship standards and best practices in financial management are in place to protect the Party's finances.
- f. Maintain a record of all financial partners, well-wishers and coordinate their activities and submit periodic reports to NEC
- g. The National treasurer shall be a signatory to the Party bank accounts and transactions
- h. Be responsible and in conjunction with the finance and resource mobilization committee formulate and execute resource mobilization strategies to raise funds for the party's operations

#### viii. The National Organizing Secretary

The National organizing Secretary shall supervise the organization of the party and in particular;

- a. Shall be responsible for recruitment of party members
- b. Formulate and coordinate outreach programs and report to the NEC quarterly
- c. Ensure there is a physical office in every Branch
- d. The organization of Party meetings, meet the people tours and functions
- e. Be Responsible for promoting and mobilizing party activities at branch levels including the recruitment of members at branch levels
- f. Coordinate effective functioning of all the Party Branches
- g. In consultation with the Secretary General supervise the organization of the National Delegates Convention and National Governing Council

#### ix. The National Woman Leader

- a. Shall coordinate the women League to galvanize political support for the party policies and programs
- b. Advice the Party and implement strategies that solicit maximum recruitment of women into the party.
- c. Form partnerships and lobby with women networks and organizations with similar interests

#### x. The National Youth Leader

- a. The National Youth Leader shall be a member of the party and shall be not more than thirty-five years of age at the time of election or appointment.
- b. Shall mobilize and coordinate the youth and student organizations to galvanize support for party activities
- c. Shall advise on all matters affecting the youth

#### xi. Secretary Special Interests Group

i) Shall be responsible for promoting the interests of special interest and minority groups in the party ensuring their participation in party structures and programs and representation.

#### xii. Secretary Persons with Disability

Shall be responsible for the promotion and advocacy of the rights of persons with disabilities in the Party and shall advise the party on all matters pertaining to disability and public policy.

#### xiii. Director of Campaigns and Political affairs

Shall be in-charge of all party campaign and advise on the party's political affairs including the following

- a) shall be the National campaign coordinator
- b) advise and implement party strategies on voter registration and mobilization
- c) advise on campaign strategies and mobilise and direct campaign resources

- d) consult and liaise with the National Elections Board on party elections and nominations and report to the National Executive Committee
- e) Shall be the linkage with other political parties, private sector, community leaders, civil society, national and international partners on political matters;
- f) Shall assess the popularity of the party members in selection of candidates in general elections.
- g) Shall collect political intelligence and advise the party on political strategies of popularizing the party at the grassroots in consultation with the Secretary General carry out periodic Assessments of the popularity of the party

#### xiv. Leader of Parliamentary Group

- a. Shall be the leader of the Party's elected and nominated members of Parliament
- b. Shall be responsible for galvanizing support for the Party 's legislative and political agenda
- c. Shall enforce party discipline among the members in Parliament

#### xv. Leader of County Assembly Group

- a. Shall be the Leader of all the Party's elected and nominated members of the County Assemblies
- b. Shall be responsible for galvanizing support for the party's legislative and political agenda in the County Assemblies

#### Article 23 Election of National Officials

- (i) The National officials shall be elected by the National Delegates Electoral College convened in accordance with the provisions of the Party Constitution.
- (ii) Eligibility of Delegates: The National Elections Board shall ensure that only delegates whose names appear in the National Delegates Convention Register and present at the Convention shall be eligible to vote.

#### (iii) Quorum:

- a. The National Elections Board shall ensure that there is a quorum before the commencement of business of elections in accordance with the Party Constitution.
- b. The quorum for conducting elections at the National Delegates Electoral College shall be at least fifty percent of the members eligible to attend and vote
- (iv) Mode of Voting: Elections at the National Delegates Electoral College shall be by consensus, secret ballot or any other method approved by the delegates present.
- (v) Assumption of Office: Persons elected as national officials shall assume office upon declaration of results.
- (vi) Custody of Election Materials
  - a. The National Elections Board shall immediately after the announcement of the results surrender all election documents and

materials to the National Secretariat for safe custody for a period of three months.

#### (vii) **Procedure**

It is hereby provided, in respect of elections and functions of National Officials, as follows:

- a. Subject to this Constitution, the election of National Officials shall be conducted by the National Delegates Convention.
- b. The election of National Officials shall be conducted on the guiding principle that not more than two thirds of the members shall be of the same gender.
- c. All National Officials shall be elected by the National Delegates Convention other than the following members;
  - 1) National Youth Leader,
  - 2) National Woman Leader
  - 3) Leader of Parliamentary Group,
  - 4) Leader of County Assembly Group,
  - 5) Secretary Persons With Disability, and
  - 6) Executive Director who is an *ex-official* member
- ii. The National Officials shall hold office for a term of five years.
- iii. Elections shall be through secret ballot or any other method of voting acceptable to the delegates present and voting, where an office is contested by more than one candidate, the vote shall be decided by a simple majority. Where only one candidate is nominated to an office at the close of the nominations, that candidate shall be declared duly elected to the office for which he/she was nominated.
- iv. All office bearers shall perform their functions within the spirit and provisions of this Constitution and shall ensure that they are guided by the objectives and values of the Party.
- v. Any National Official may attend any meeting(s) organized by a Branch as an *ex-officio* member.

#### **Article 24 Rights of National Officials**

- i. Every National Officials has a right to;
  - a. To receive and discuss reports from the branches
  - b. Attend any Branch meeting(s) as an observer
  - c. Right to Party information and documents
- ii. National Officials should not be Partisan in elections of Party Officials or those seeking to be nominated as a Party Candidate

#### Article 25 Dismissal from office

The National Officials shall be dismissed before the expiry of their term;

- a) The official resigns in writing,
- b) Expelled from the party
- c) Becomes of unsound mind or is incapacitated to discharge their duties.
- d) Absconds duties
- e) Is declared bankrupt
- f) Joins another Political Party
- g) Abandons the Party
- h) Dies

#### **CHAPTER 7: PARTY ORGANS**

#### **Article 26 Party Organs**

There is hereby established the following party Organs:

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i.	National Delegates Convention	(NDC)
ii.	National Governing Council	(NGC)
iii.	National Executive Committee	(NEC)
iν.	National Steering Committee	(NSC)
ν.	County Coordinating Committee	(CEC)
νi.	Constituency Executive Committe	e (CEC)
νii.	Ward Steering Committee	(WSC)
νiii.	Polling Station Management Com	mittee (PSSC)
ix.	Party Parliamentary Group	(PG)
x.	Party County Assembly Group	(CAG)
xi.	KDC Women League	(KDCWL)
xii.	KDC Youth League	(KDCYL)
xiii.	KDC Disability League	(KDCDL)
xiν.	National Elections Board	(NEB)
χv.	National Secretariat	(NS)

#### **Article 27 National Delegates Convention (NDC)**

- i. The National Delegates Convention shall be the Supreme organ of the party with powers to determine party policy
- ii. The National Officials shall be elected as provided in Article 22 at the National Delegates Convention. The other delegates shall be members by virtue of being elected from the branches and the composition shall be as follows;
  - a. All National officials
  - b. All Members of the National Executive Committee
  - c. All elected Governors
  - d. All members of the Parliamentary Group
  - e. All members of the County Assembly Group
  - f. All Chairperson's of the County Executive Committee
  - g. Seven (7) members of the Constituency Executive Committee comprising of the
    - i. Chairperson
    - ii. Secretary General
    - iii. Organizing Secretary
    - iv. Woman Leader
    - v. Youth Leader
    - vi. Secretary Special Interests Group
    - vii. Secretary Person's with Disability
  - h. The chairperson of the Diaspora branch
  - i. All members of the National Elections Board
  - j. The Chairpersons of the Party's standing committees
  - k. All Founder Members
  - I. The National Executive Committee may invite party members not exceeding five who have made outstanding contributions to the Party.

#### Provided that one third of the members shall be of either gender

## iii. The National Delegates Convention shall have the following specific duties and Functions:

- a. To approve party policies and programs and give directions regarding the organization of the Party
- b. To consider, review, modify, amend the party Constitution, manifesto, rules and regulations of the party and party policy documents and those governing its subsidiary organizations and their operations
- c. To receive, examine and approve annual Financial statements presented by the National Executive Committee for the period since the previous ordinary session of the National Delegates Convention
- d. To receive and discuss annual reports submitted by the National Governing Council and the National Executive Committee
- e. To elect ,from among eligible party members , the National Officials of the party who shall constitute the National Executive Committee for a term of five years as set out in this Constitution
- f. To delegate or confer any of its powers and duties to the National Governing Council and National Executive Committee in addition to their respective functions.
- g. To appoint party auditors and fix their honorarium
- h. To nominate the party's Presidential candidate for the election of the President of the Republic of Kenya.
- i. To elect or appoint any other standing committee of the party and assign specific duties to perform
- j. To review annual dues payable by party members
- k. To initiate and or perform all other activities and duties that in its opinion will further the aims and objects of the party

#### iv. Meetings of the National Delegates Convention

There shall be two types of meeting of the NDC

- a. An Ordinary session
- b. A Special session

#### v. Procedure of meetings of the National Delegates Convention

#### i) Ordinary Session of the National Delegates Convention;

- a. An Ordinary Session of the National Delegates Convention shall be convened by a resolution of the National Executive Committee and held once every five years but not later than the 31st December of the fifth year at a time ,place and date to be determined by the National Executive Committee
- b. The notice and agenda convening the meeting shall be sent out by the Secretary General at least fourteen (14) days before such meeting
- c. The quorum of the Ordinary Session of the National Delegates Convention shall be at least fifty percent of the members eligible to attend present and voting.
- d. Decisions shall be by secret ballot, consensus, or any method acceptable by the Delegates present

#### ii) A Special Session of the National Delegates Convention

- a. A Special Session of the National Delegates Convention shall be summoned by the Chairperson upon the decision of NEC or upon a requisition signed by two thirds of the delegates eligible to attend and vote at an ordinary session of the National Delegates Convention.
- b. The notice and agenda convening the Special Session shall be sent by the Secretary General at least twenty one days before such date.
- c. The National Chairperson shall preside over the Special Session of the National Delegates Convention or in his/her absence any one of the two deputies Chairpersons
- d. Only the Agenda circulated and as prepared by the National Executive Committee or as may be requisitioned by delegates and sent to the Secretary General at least sixty five days before the date of such meeting.
- e. The quorum of the Special Session of the National Delegates Convention shall be at least two thirds of the members eligible to attend and vote at the Ordinary Session of the National Delegates Convention.
- f. Decisions shall be by secret ballot, consensus, or any method acceptable by the Delegates present

#### **Article 28 National Governing Council**

- i. There is hereby established the National Governing Council which shall be the second highest organ of the Party and shall consist of the following members.
  - a. All members of NEC
  - b. All Chairpersons of County Coordinating Committee
  - c. All Chairpersons of County women League
  - d. All Chairpersons of County Youth League
  - e. All Chairpersons of County Disability League
  - f. All elected Governors
  - g. All members of the Parliamentary Group
  - h. All members of the County Assembly Group
  - The Chairperson and Secretary of the National Elections Board

#### Provided that one third of the members shall be of either gender

- ii. The members of the National Governing Council shall be in office by virtue of their elections as;
  - a. National Officials,
  - b. County coordinating committee,
  - c. County Women and Youth Leagues
  - d. Elected Governors and Members of Parliament

**AND** 

- e. The appointed chairperson and secretary of the National Elections Board by the National Executive Committee
- iii. The National Governing Council shall have the following functions and rights;
  - a. To ensure that all its resolutions are effected by the National Executive Committee and other organs of the Party.
  - b. To review and/ or formulate policies of the party to be approved by the National Delegates Convention.
  - c. To receive reports from the National Executive Committee on the operations of the Party.
  - d. To establish specialized Committees and other advisory bodies to carry out aims and objects of the party
  - e. To make policy and administrative decisions on behalf of the National Delegates Convention if in the considered opinion of the National Executive Committee such decisions cannot await the National Delegates Convention provided that such decisions shall be ratified at the next ordinary session of the National Delegates Convention.
  - f. To make decisions on behalf of the National Delegates Convention in between the National Delegates Convention
  - g. To review and consider the Party 's legislative and political agenda for the Parliamentary and County Assembly groups
  - h. To approve the Agenda of the National Delegates Convention as prepared by NEC or the National steering committee or any other party member. A notice to include any other agenda item to the National Delegates Convention by a party member must reach the Secretary General a not later than twenty-one working days before the session of the National Governing Council.
  - i. To initiate all other activities that might further the aims and objects of the party

## iv. Procedure of meetings at the National Governing Council The Procedure of meetings at the National Governing Council shall be:

- a) The National Governing Council shall be convened by notice sent out by the Secretary General upon a resolution of the National Executive Council and shall meet at least once every two years
- b) The quorum at the National Governing Council shall be 50% of eligible members present
- c) The chairperson of the party shall chair the meeting

#### **Article 29 National Executive Committee**

- i. The National Executive Committee shall be the executive organ of the party and shall be composed of the following members
  - a. Party Leader
  - b. Deputy Party Leader
  - c. National Chairperson
  - d. 1st Deputy National Chairperson (operations)
  - e. 2nd Deputy National Chairperson (Programs)
  - f. Secretary General
  - g. National Treasurer
  - h. National Organizing Secretary
  - i. National Woman Leader
  - j. National Youth Leader
  - k. Secretary Special Interests Group
  - I. Secretary Persons with Disability
  - m. Director of Campaigns and Political affairs
  - n. Leader of Parliamentary Group
  - o. Leader of County Assembly Group
  - p. The Party's Executive Director, who shall be an ex- officio member
- ii. The members of the National Executive Committee shall be elected at the National Delegates Convention for a term of five years **save** for the Leader of the Parliamentary and County Assembly Groups who shall be elected by their respective Group and the Party Executive Director who shall be *an exofficio* member
- iii. The election to the National Executive council shall be a preserve of fully paid-up members and delegates of regular standing
- iv. The National Executive Committee shall have the following functions and duties:
  - a. To act as the executive body and carry out the resolutions of the National Delegates Convention and the National Governing Council
  - b. To prepare the agenda, reports, financial statements and convene the meetings of the National Delegates Convention and the National Governing Council
  - c. To supervise the National Party Secretariat and take out measures as it deems necessary to enforce the resolutions and programs of the Party as laid out by the National Delegates Convention and the National Governing Council.
  - d. To issue directives to the County and grassroot organs of the party and receive reports of these organs.
  - e. To oversee the operations of the women, youth and disability leagues and the Parliamentary and County Assembly groups.
  - f. To operate and determine the manner in which party accounts, funds and finances shall be prudently managed.
  - g. To set up Committees as it may deem necessary from time to time for specified tasks and to determine their terms of reference.

- h. To make and amend Elections and Nomination Rules and Regulations and any other Regulations for the Party.
- i. To recommend to the Party Leaders individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to the Party in the achievement and furtherance of its aims and objects for the conferment of awards, honors of recognition, distinction merit, accolade in accordance with the party scheme of merits and rewards.
- j. To nominate and present a Party list to the Independent Electoral Boundaries and Commission in accordance with the provisions of the law
- k. To nominate any other party list as may be required by law by Parliament or any relevant institution.
- I. To receive and consider reports from standing, ad hoc and special committees
- m. To liaise with the Party National Elections Board in order to ensure coordination of elections of Party Officials at all levels and Party nominations for Presidential, Gubernatorial, Parliamentary and County Assembly candidates for the general elections
- n. To put in place internal dispute resolution mechanisms
- o. To develop party policy documents including the party manifesto, party manual and programs, finance manual, resource mobilization manual, investment policy, utilization of party funds manual, and any other relevant party policy document subject to approval by the National Delegates Council.
- p. The National Executive Council may delegate any of the Party Committees to develop any of the Party Policy Documents.
- q. To recommend to party organs and all Committees programs aimed at stimulating party activities.
- r. To determine such honoraria or out of pocket expenses to National Officials so as to reasonably facilitate their attendance to party meetings and activities or to ameliorate their just and fair expenses
- s. The National Executive Committee shall meet at least once in every three months except for emergency meetings that may be convened by the Secretary General according to exigencies of time, in consultation with the Chairperson or Party Leader.
- t. Any vacancy arising in the National Executive Committee during the course of the term hereby made, before the next National Delegates Convention shall be filled by the National Executive Committee on an acting capacity until the vacancy is substantially filled in the next National Delegates Convention.
- i. To initiate all such activities that may further the aims and objects of the party.

#### **29.1** Rights of NEC Members

In addition to the rights a member of the party is entitled to, member of the governing body has a right to;

- i. A right to question decisions made by the leader that threaten the very existence of the party.
- ii. A right to information of sources of party funds and how such funds received are managed
- iii. A right to contribute to the policy making process of the party including development of policy papers such as HR, finance, accounting and asset policy, manifesto, election platforms, party nomination rules and procedures.

#### 29.2 Procedure of meetings at the National Executive Committee

- i. The Procedure of meetings at the National Executive Committee shall be:
- ii. The National Executive Committee shall be convened upon notice of not less than 14 days sent out by the Secretary General to the members
- iii. The quorum at the National Executive Committee shall be 50% of eligible members present
- iv. The chairperson of the party shall chair the meeting. The secretary will draft the minutes and email copies to the members for them to read before the meeting; then members can come to the meeting prepared with any corrections.
- v. The most efficient way of approving minutes is for the chair to assume the motion and obtain unanimous consent that the minutes be approved as distributed (or as corrected).
- vi. The meeting can begin by dealing with the agenda of the day.
- vii. NEC meeting shall be once in three months or may be convened by the Secretary-General according to exigencies of time in consultation with the National Chairperson.

#### 29.3 Decision making powers of NEC members

- 1) Call any special sittings of the party organs as and when needed.
- 2) Receive, consider, approve, implement reports from various committees and to advise the NGC accordingly on the reports and their decisions.
- 3) Make rules and regulations to govern anything that requires to be done under this Constitution for the better management of the party and towards achieving the goals and objectives of the party and prepare party reports including the annual financial report.
- 4) To approve the terms and conditions of services of the staff members employed by the party;
- 5) To receive, consider, approve and implement reports and recommendations from the various standing, ad hoc and
  - i. specialized committees or individuals;
- 6) To receive and approve the annual financial budget, audited accounts and programmes for the Party;
- 7) To establish, co-ordinate and conduct various schemes aimed at stimulating party activities;

- 8) To make or cause to be made rules and/or regulations for prescribing anything which requires to be prescribed under this Constitution and generally for the better carrying out of the provisions of this Constitution and matters incidental thereto:
- 9) To designate any of the deputies to act and undertake the duties and roles of the respective substantive office holders or in the absence of deputies, any other official to act where circumstances warrant or where, in the opinion of NEC, the office holder is unable to perform the duties of that office;

#### **Article 30 National Steering Committee**

- i. There shall be established the National Steering Committee of the National Executive Committee constituted of the following members;
  - a. Party Leader
  - b. Deputy Party Leader
  - c. National Chairperson
  - d. 1st Deputy National Chairperson (operations)
  - e. 2nd Deputy National Chairperson (programs)
  - f. Secretary General
  - g. National Treasurer
  - h. National Organizing Secretary
  - i. National Woman Leader
  - j. National Youth Leader
  - k. Secretary Special Interest Group

Provided that one third of the members shall be of either gender

#### ii. Procedure of the meeting of the National Steering Committee

The Procedure of meetings at the National Steering Committee shall be;

- a) The National Steering Committee shall be convened upon a notice sent out by the Secretary General
- b) The quorum at the National Steering Committee shall be 50% of eligible members present
- c) The National Chairperson shall chair the meeting

#### iii. The functions and duties of the National Steering Committee shall be to

- a. Formulate policies and programs for consideration for the National Executive Committee
- b. To coordinate and supervise the conduct of all party activities.
- c. To appoint the staff members of the National Secretariat and determine their terms and conditions of service.
- d. Be responsible for the development of Human Resource, Finances and Audit, administration and management
- e. policies and procedures.
- f. They shall be responsible for the day-to-day administration.

#### iv. Procedure for elections of members of the National Steering Committee

The members of the National Steering Committee being National Officials shall be elected by the National Delegates Conventions

#### **PARTY BRANCHES**

#### **Article 31 County Coordinating Committee**

There is established the County Coordinating committee in every County in the Republic of Kenya.

- The County Coordinating Committee shall be composed of the following members
  - a. The County Coordinating officials elected by the county electoral college composed of County Chairperson, County Deputy Chairperson, County Secretary, County Treasurer, County Organizing Secretary, County Woman leader, County Youth leader, County Secretary special interest Groups, County Secretary disability, the Elected Party Governor (if elected) Leader of the County Assembly Group
  - b. All Constituency Chairperson
  - c. All Constituency Deputy Chairperson
  - d. All Constituency Secretary General
  - e. All Constituency Treasurer
  - f. All Constituency organizing Secretary
  - g. All Constituency woman Leader
  - h. All Constituency Youth Leader
  - i. All Constituency disability Leader
  - j. Five officials of the Constituency Women League
  - k. Five officials of the Constituency Youth League
  - I. Five officials of the Disability League
  - m. All Elected Party Members of Parliament
  - n. The Elected Party County Governor
  - o. All members of the Party County Assembly Group
  - p. County Coordinator; ex-officio

- ii. The County Coordinating Committee members shall be elected at the County Electoral college for a term of five years during the party elections as per the provisions of the Party Elections and Nomination Rules save for the County Coordinator who shall be an ex-officio member.
- iii. The functions and duties of the County Coordinating Committee shall be;
  - a. To implement the resolutions of the National Delegates Convention and the National Governing Council
  - b. To receive and consider reports by the Constituency Executive Committee
  - c. Elect officials of the County Coordinating Committee who shall hold office for a term of five years

- d. Manage harmonize and coordinate the county party activities.
- e. Submit yearly reports of its activities to the National Executive Committee
- f. To keep an updated Party County register
- g. Party outreach activities and party popularization.
- h. Membership recruitment and membership list updating.
- i. Maintenance of records of all-party officials and all party elected representatives.
- j. Offer a caucus platform for its elected members and its officials
- k. Act as a link for the party members at grassroot level with its headquarters
- I. Prepare regular reports to the party head office.

#### iv. Procedure of the meeting of the County Coordinating Commitee

The Procedure of meetings of County Coordinating Committee shall be;

- a. The County Coordinating Committee shall be convened upon a notice sent out by the County Secretary
- b. The quorum at the County Coordinating Committee shall be 50% of eligible members present
- c. The County Chairperson shall chair the meetings

#### **Article 32 Constituency Executive Committee**

- i. There is hereby established the Constituency Executive Committee
- ii. The Committee shall be composed of the following members
  - a. Constituency Chairperson
  - b. Constituency Deputy Chairperson
  - c. Constituency Secretary
  - d. Constituency Treasurer
  - e. Constituency Organizing Secretary
  - f. Constituency Woman Leader
  - g. Constituency Youth Leader
  - h. Constituency Secretary special interest group
  - i. Constituency Secretary for disability
  - j. Elected Party Member of Parliament (if elected)

- iii. The Constituency Executive Committee members shall be elected at the Constituency Electoral college for a term of five years during the party elections as per the provisions of the Party elections and nomination rules.
- iv. Their duties shall be;
  - a. Recruit members into the Party
  - b. Promote party activities and programs in the Constituency in order to realize the party's aims and objects
  - c. Represent the Constituency views and interests at the County Coordinating Committee, National Governing Council and National Delegates Convention
  - d. Ensure party discipline is maintained within the Constituency and investigate and make recommendations to the National Executive Committee
  - e. Keep an updated constituency party register
- v. Procedure of the meeting of the Constituency Executive Committee

The Procedure of meetings of Constituency Executive Committee shall be;

- a. The Constituency Executive Committee shall be convened upon a notice sent out by the Constituency Secretary
- b. The quorum at the Constituency Executive Committee shall be 50% of eligible members present
- c. The Constituency Chairperson shall chair the meetings

#### **Article 33 Ward Steering Committee**

- i. There is hereby established a ward committee in every ward in the Republic of Kenya
- ii. The Committee shall be under the control of the Constituency Executive Committee and shall be composed of a;
  - a. Ward Chairperson
  - b. Ward Deputy Chairperson
  - c. Ward Secretary
  - d. Ward Treasurer
  - e. Ward Organizing Secretary
  - f. Ward Woman Leader
  - g. Ward Youth
  - h. Ward Secretary Special interest group
  - i. Ward Secretary Disability
  - j. Ward The Ward Member of the County Assembly (if elected)

- iii. The Ward Steering Committee members shall be elected at the Ward Electoral College for a term of five years during the party elections as per the provisions of the Party elections and nomination rules.
- iv. The duties of the Ward Steering Committee shall be similar to the Constituency Executive Committee save that they shall be performed at the ward level.
- v. The Ward Chairperson may invite one or more of the local opinion Leaders to attend as observers.
- vi. The Committee shall send its reports to the Constituency Executive Committee
- vii. Procedure of the meeting of the Ward Steering Committee

The Procedure of meetings of Ward Steering Committee shall be;

- a. The Ward Steering Committee shall be convened upon a notice sent out by the Ward Secretary
- b. The quorum at the Ward Steering Committee shall be 50% of eligible members present
- c. The Ward Chairperson shall chair the meetings

#### **Article 34 Polling Station Management Committee**

- i. There is hereby established a Polling Station Management committee in every polling station in the Republic of Kenya
- ii. Each Polling Station Management Committee shall be composed of the following elected officials:
  - a) Poll Chairperson,
  - b) Poll Deputy Chairperson,
  - c) Poll Secretary,
  - d) Poll Treasurer,
  - e) Poll Organizing Secretary,
  - f) Poll Woman Leader Women,
  - g) Poll Youth Leader,
  - h) Poll Secretary Special Interest Groups Representative,
  - i) Poll Secretary for Persons with Disability Representative

- iii. The Poll Management Committee members shall be elected at the Polling Station Electoral college for a term of five years during the party elections as per the provisions of the Party elections and nomination rules.
- iv. The duties of the Poll Station Management Committee shall be similar to the Ward Steering Committee save that they shall be performed at the polling station level.
- v. The Poll Chairperson may invite one or more of the local opinion Leaders to attend as observers.

- vi. The Poll Secretary shall keep an updated register of all their polling station members.
- vii. The Committee shall send its reports to the Ward Steering Committee

#### viii. Procedure of the meeting of the Poll Station Management Committee

The Procedure of meetings of Poll Station Management Committee shall be;

- a) The Ward Steering Committee shall be convened upon a notice sent out by the Ward Secretary
- b) The quorum at the Ward Steering Committee shall be 50% of eligible members present
- c) The Ward Chairperson shall chair the meetings

#### **Article 35 Diaspora Coordinating Committee**

- i. The National Executive Committee shall register a Diaspora Coordinating Committee save that there shall not be more than one in each Country Except in the United States of America there shall be one in every State.
- ii. Each Diaspora Coordinating Committee shall have at least twenty one (21) members and meetings shall be presided by the chair of that committee with a quorum of at least fifty percent (50%)
- iii. The Diaspora Coordinating Committee shall be composed of the following
  - a. Chairperson
  - b. Deputy Chairperson
  - c. Secretary
  - d. Treasurer
  - e. Organizing Secretary
  - f. Woman Leader
  - g. Youth
  - h. Secretary Special interest group
- iv. The duties of the committee shall be
  - a) Recruiting party members in diaspora
  - b) Mobilize for financial resources for the party
  - c) Keep an updated party register of all diaspora members
  - d) To promote the Party's programs and agenda
  - e) To promote the full participation of women, youth persons with disabilities, minorities and other disadvantaged group in the management of the party's programs
  - f) To collaborate and work with any international organization to promote the party's interests, goals and objectives

#### 35.1 Functions of the Diaspora Chapter

- i. Convene the Diaspora Chapter as required by this Constitution;
- ii. Supervise the day-to-day conduct of the party activities at the Diaspora branch;
- ii. Propagate party policies within the Diaspora Branch;
- iii. iv. Submit to the National Executive Committee the prospective candidates seeking to be considered for ambassador positions in their region subject to PSC vetting. However, the positions are open to ALL qualified Kenyans.
- v. Supervise of the running of the Diaspora Chapter;

- vi. Implement the decisions of the National Executive Committee at the Diaspora level:
- vii. Coordinate fundraising and publicity of the party;
- viii. Recruit new members to the party.
- ix. Perform other functions as may be assigned to it by the National Executive Committee.

#### Article 36 KDC Women League (KDCWL)

- i. There is established a women's league to be known as KDC Women League and whose membership shall be open to all Party women members
- ii. The Women League shall be an integral party of the party and shall be subject to the general directions of the National Executive Committee
- iii. There shall an Executive Committee of the women league at all levels of the party National, County, Constituency, Ward, Poll consisting of
  - a. Chairperson
  - b. Deputy Chairperson
  - c. Secretary
  - d. Treasurer
  - e. Organizing Secretary
- iv. The officials of the Women League shall be elected simultaneously and in the same manner as their counterpart party officials in accordance with the provisions of the Party Elections and Nominations rules.

#### v. Duties and functions shall be;

- a. Pursue and Promote gender equality and ensure it is mains streamed in all party organs
- b. To promote the full participation of women members in the management of all party activities and programs at all levels
- c. To promote Affirmative action and mainstream it at all levels
- d. To mobilize and recruit many women in the party
- e. To conduct civic awareness to women on party programs and policies, public matters with a view of popularizing the party
- f. To mobilize women and campaign for the party candidates during the general elections
- g. To coordinate fellow women to galvanize political support for the party policies and programs
- h. Implement strategies that solicit maximum recruitment of women into the party.
- i. Form partnerships and lobby with women networks and organizations with similar interests

#### vi. Procedure of meetings

- a. The meeting shall be convened by a notice sent to the league members by the secretary with the approval of the chairlady.
- b. The quorum at the meeting shall be 50% of eligible members present
- c. The chairlady shall chair the meeting

#### **Article 37 KDC Youth League**

- i. There is established a Youth league to be known as KDC Youth League and whose membership shall be open to all Youth who are Party members and below the age of thirty-five years (35).
- ii. The Youth League shall be an integral part of the party and shall be subject to the general directions of the National Executive Committee
- iii. There shall an Executive Committee of the Youth league at all Party levels; National, County, Constituency, Ward, Poll consisting of
  - a. Chairperson
  - b. Deputy Chairperson
  - c. Secretary
  - d. Treasurer
  - e. Organizing Secretary
- iv. The officials of the Youth League shall be elected simultaneously and in the same manner as their counterpart party officials in accordance with the provisions of the Party Elections and Nominations rule.

#### v. Duties and functions shall be;

- a. To mobilize and coordinate the youth and student organizations to galvanize support for party activities
- b. To advise the party on all matters affecting the youth
- c. Pursue and Promote gender equality and ensure it is mains streamed in all party organs
- d. To promote the full participation of youth members in the management of all party activities and programs at all levels
- e. To mobilize and recruit many youth to the party
- f. To conduct civic awareness to youth on party programs and policies, public matters with a view of popularizing the party
- g. To mobilize youth and campaign for the party candidates during the general elections

#### vi. Procedure of meetings

- a. The meeting shall be convened by a notice sent to the league members by the secretary with the approval of the chairlady.
- b. The quorum at the meeting shall be 50% of eligible members present
- c. The chairperson shall chair the meeting

#### Article 38 KDC Disabilities League (KDCDL)

- i. There is established a Disabilities league to be known as KDC Disability League and whose membership shall be open to all Party Persons with Disability members
- ii. The Disability League shall be an integral party of the party and shall be subject to the general directions of the National Executive Committee
- iii. There shall an Executive Committee of the Disability league at all levels of the party National, County, Constituency, Ward, Poll consisting of
  - a. Chairperson
  - b. Deputy Chairperson
  - c. Secretary
  - d. Treasurer

- e. Organizing Secretary
- iv. The officials of the Disability League shall be elected simultaneously and in the same manner as their counterpart party officials in accordance with the provisions of the Party Elections and Nominations rules.

#### v. Duties and functions shall be;

- a. To promote and advocate for the rights of persons with disabilities in the party
- b. To advise the party on all matters on disability and public policy on disability
- c. To mobilize and recruit persons with disability to the party
- d. To ensure that the persons with disability are mainstreamed at all levels of the party
- e. To promote the full participation of persons with disability members in the management of all party activities and programs at all levels
- f. To conduct civic awareness to persons with disability on party programs and policies, public matters with a view of popularizing the party
- g. To mobilize persons with disability and campaign for the party candidates during the general elections

#### vi. Procedure of meetings

- a. The meeting shall be convened by a notice sent to the league members by the secretary with the approval of the chairlady.
- b. The quorum at the meeting shall be 50% of eligible members present
- c. The chairperson shall chair the meeting

#### **Article 39 Party Parliamentary Group**

- i. There is established a Party Parliamentary Group composed of the following members;
  - a. The Party Leader
  - b. Deputy Party Leader
  - c. Chairperson
  - d. Secretary General
  - e. All party elected and nominated members of Parliament
- ii. The duties of the Party Parliamentary group shall include
  - a. espousing and defending the Party's policies and objects and legislative agenda in Parliament
  - b. to promote and popularize the party's political agenda
  - c. to defend and promotes the party policies in public fora
- iii. The Party Parliamentary Group shall make its own rules and regulations to govern its meetings with the approval of the National Executive Committee

#### **Article 40 Party County Assembly Group**

- i. There is established a Party County Assembly Group composed of all the Party' elected and nominated County Assembly members.
- ii. The duties of the Party County Assembly group shall include;
  - a. espousing and defending the Party's policies and objects and legislative agenda in their respective County Assemblies.
  - b. to promote and popularize the party's political agenda
  - c. To defend and promotes the party policies in public fora

iii. The Party County Assembly Group shall make its own rules and regulations to govern its meetings with the approval of the National Executive Committee.

#### **Article 41 National Elections Board**

- i. There is hereby established the KENYA DEMOCRACY FOR CHANGE National Elections Board whose mandate will be to plan, organize and conduct party elections and nominations of party candidates
- ii. The members of the National Elections Board shall be appointed by the National Executive Committee and shall be comprised a Chairperson and two members and the Chairperson shall chair the meeting
- iii. The members of the Board shall be respected and knowledgeable persons of high integrity who do not hold any elective position in the party and at least one third shall be of either gender.
- iv. The members of the Board shall serve for a term of five years and shall be eligible for reappointment for a further term subject to a maximum of two consecutive terms.
- v. A person shall qualify to be appointed as a Chairperson of the National Elections Board if the person
  - a. is a member of the Party
  - b. Holds a degree from a recognized university
  - c. Is qualified to hold the office of Judge of the high court
  - d. meets the requirements of chapter six of the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya

#### 41.1 Duties of the National Elections Board shall include:

- a. To ensure a free and fair electoral process.
- b. The vetting of all candidates aspiring for Party election or nomination in accordance with provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya, applicable electoral Laws, Party Constitution, Party Nomination and Election Rules and the Party Code of Conduct,
- c. Appointment of County Returning Officers, Constituency Returning Officers, Polling and Tallying Clerks,
- d. Accreditation of election observers.
- e. Receiving election results from Returning Officers.
- f. Taking all necessary measures to ensure Party elections and nominations are transparent, peaceful, free and fair.
- g. Devise or formulate rules of procedure for the County Election Disputes Appeals Tribunal.
- h. To grant a candidate an automatic nomination upon written approval by the National Executive Committee (NEC)

#### 41.2 Rules and regulation for party primaries and party list

The party shall conduct open, free, fair and transparent nominations in national and county elections through consensus, secret ballot, or through the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) or other democratic method acceptable to the members under the supervision of the National Elections Board and the County Elections Board

## 41.2.1Party Nominations

- i. The party may nominate presidential, gubernatorial, parliamentary and county assembly candidates for General and by-elections.
- ii. All registered party members shall be eligible to vote in their respective constituencies and /or wards for the nominations of the party candidate(s).
- iii. The Party Nomination Rules and Regulations for county assembly, parliamentary, gubernatorial and presidential candidates for general and by-elections shall be prepared by the National Executive Committee and nominations shall be conducted in accordance with such rules and regulations.
- iv. The nomination certificates at all levels shall be signed by the Party leader or the designee, Party Chairperson or the designee and the Secretary General or the designee and issued by the Chair of the elections board.
- v. The NEB will issue interim certificates to candidates duly elected or nominated;
- vi. The NEB will issue final list of duly elected and nominated members to the NEC for final approval and ratification.

### 42.2.2 Nomination of Candidates to Political Party Lists

Criteria of election of members for National Assembly, Senate and County assemblies for Party list seats specified under Article 97(1) (c and 98(1)(b) (c) and (d) and article 177 (1) (b) and (c) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 shall be on the basis of proportional representation and in accordance with article 90 of the constitution:

- i. Twelve (12) persons for consideration as nominated Members of the National Assembly to represent special interest including the youth, persons with disabilities and workers.
- ii. Sixteen (16) women for consideration as nominated Members of the Senate.
- iii. Two (2) members, being one man and one woman for consideration as nominated members of Senate representing persons with disabilities. iv. Persons for consideration as nominated Members of County Assembly to represent special interest including the youth and persons with disabilities v. The party list shall alternate between male and female candidates in the priority in which they are listed and shall reflect the region and ethnic diversity of the people of Kenya.
- vi. Persons who are nominated to the respective party lists shall be persons who meet the requirements of any written law as well as academic and professional qualifications to be elected to parliament and county assemblies respectively.
- vii. The qualifications and disqualifications prescribed for Members of Parliament and County Assembly shall apply to the Party List.

- viii. The list is a closed list and valid for the term of parliament.
- ix. List is never amended unless by court order or if all the members in the list have been considered and there is need for more.
- x. Prior to the elections the party shall set rules and procedures to declare that the party lists are in compliance with the set rules and procedures, should be done at least 45 days before the election. The NEC shall issue a public notice in print or electronic media with national circulation and coverage specifying the vacant positions for party lists.
- xi. The process of vetting will be accordance to the party Nomination and Election Rules.

#### Article 42 National Secretariat and its operation

- There is established a National Secretariat that shall function under the
   Supervision of the Secretary General and headed by an Executive Director
- ii. The appointment of members of the National Secretariat and their remuneration, salaries and benefits shall be determined by the National Steering Committee
- iii. The National Secretariat shall be responsible for;
  - a. The overall coordination of party activities, budget, resources and program management, and
  - b. Facilitate and coordinate party operations
  - c. implement party decisions and resolutions made by party organs
  - d. Recruit party members and conduct voter outreach programs of party
  - e. Voter outreach and membership recruitment
  - f. Registration, mobilization and maintenance of voters or members register
  - g. Coordination, facilitation and synchronization of party activities and events
  - h. Public relations, communication and media outreach
  - i. Fundraising and resource mobilization
  - j. Operations and logistics
  - k. Party policy and research. .
- iv. The members of Staff of the National Secretariat shall be guided by a party code of service.

#### **42.1 DOCUMENTS**

## **42.1.1Policy Documents**

i. KDC policy documents shall govern the day-to-day operations of the party, such as, Human Resources and Administrative policies, financial and audit and administration and management policies.

- ii. The policy documents shall be developed by the National Executive Committee (NEC).
- iii. Once the NEC develops the policies, they shall be circulated to the National Governing Council (NGC) for final review and approval. Should there be comments from the NGC review process, the policy documents shall be sent back to the NEC for corrections and or clarifications before final approvals.
- iv. The approved policies shall be implemented by the party secretariat.
  - v. The policy documents shall be reviewed periodically every three years. If there are no changes to the policies, then, they will be re-issued as effective until the next periodic review of three years. If there are changes on the policies, then, the policies will be set to draft and updated by following the development, review and approval process described herein.

#### **42.1.2** Policy Reporting Document

- i. KDC reporting documents are public such as financial and strategic policy reports.
- ii. KDC reporting documents shall be generated from within the responsible functions. E.g., Financial Reports will be developed within the treasury function.
- iii.Once the reporting documents are generated from responsible functions, they shall be forwarded to the National Executive Committee for final review and approval before being published. Should there be comments from the NEC review process, the reporting documents shall be sent back to the respective functions for corrections and or clarifications before final approvals.
- iv. Reporting documents shall be generated annually.
- v. The reporting documents shall be published as hard copies for circulation in party meetings such as the Annual General Meetings.
- vi. For reference at any other time, the reporting documents shall be published on the party website.
- vii. The policy for reporting documents shall be reviewed every three years. If there are no changes to the policy, the reporting documents shall be generated following the process outlined herein. The reporting documents shall always follow the most recent policy for reporting documents.

#### Article 43 Employment details and terms of employment for secretariat staff

The Party prides itself on being an Equal Opportunity employer as stipulated in the Employment Act 2007 which protects the below characteristics:

- i. Race
- ii. Colour
- iii. Language iv. Religion
- v. Political
- vi. Nationality, Ethnic or social origin
- vii. Disability, Pregnancy, Mental Status or HIV status

43.1 The terms of employment for the secretariat staff will be permanent and pension and casual as the case may be

#### **Article 44 Removal from office**

Any person holding an office in the party shall cease to hold such an office

- i. Upon the expiry of the term of office
- ii. Upon resignation from the said office or the party
- iii. Upon death
- iv. Upon being declared bankruptcy
- v. Upon the resolution of the National Executive Committee made by two thirds of the members and based on the recommendation of the disciplinary Committee.

#### **Article 45 Term of Office**

All Party Officials shall be in office for a term of five (5) years.

## **Article 46 Party Elections**

All Party elections shall be held after every five years and in accordance with the Party and Elections and Nomination Rules.

### **CHAPTER 8: PARTY COMMITTEES**

#### Article 47 Resource mobilization and Finance Committee

- i. The National Executive Committee shall appoint a Resource Mobilization and Finance committee as a standing committee comprising of three members chaired by the National Treasurer and ensure that at least one third are of either gender.
- ii. The Committee shall be responsible for mobilization of resources for party activities
- iii. advise the National Executive Committee on strategies to help raise financial resources for the Party
- iv. The Committee shall ensure that the party books of finance are audited by the appointed auditors
- v. developing principles of stewardship financial discipline and best practices to guide the party in matters of fiscal planning and management
- vi. The Resource Mobilization and Finance Committee shall work closely with the National Executive Committee and shall submit yearly reports to the NEC on Finances and budgets of the Party.
- vii. The Committee members shall serve for a term of five years and are eligible for reappointment.

## Article 48 Strategic planning committee

- i. The strategic planning committee shall be appointed by the National Executive Committee as a standing committee and shall comprise of three members ensuring that at least one third are of either gender
- ii. The Strategic planning Committee shall be responsible for developing the party's strategic plan, proposing policies, conducting research and opinion polls to engage the party's popularity
- iii. The Committee members shall serve for a term of five years and are eligible for reappointment

#### **Article 49 Legal Committee**

- i. The legal Committee shall be appointed by the National Executive Committee as a standing committee of the party and shall comprise three members ensuring that at least one third are of either gender
- ii. The Committee shall provide legal advice to the party and any other assignments that NEC may assign it.
- iii. The committee members shall serve for a term of five years and are eligible for reappointment.

### **Article 50 Disciplinary Committee**

- i. The NEC shall appoint a disciplinarian Committee comprising of a Chairperson and four respected party members of high integrity and provided that at least one third are of either gender.
- ii. The members of the committee shall be able to demonstrate respect for the party members, leadership and promote confidence in the office that they have been elected to serve

- iii. The Committee shall make their own rules of procedure provided they shall submit them to the NEC for approval and shall comply with the laws of Kenya, rules of natural justice
- iv. The Committee shall have powers to receive, hear and determine all cases of discipline concerning party members.
- v. Any party member or Organ of the party may by a written and signed complaint refer to the committee an issue of discipline.
- vi. A disciplinarian issue shall arise on the grounds of gross misconduct and a member shall be liable to the party's disciplinarian.
- vii. If he/she engages in any conduct proscribed by this Constitution, the party's election and nomination rules or any other written law.
- viii. The Disciplinarian Committee shall afford a fair hearing to such member complained against with reasonable opportunity to defend themselves against the charges or allegations made in accordance with the rules of natural justice and in accordance with the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya and also as provided for in the party Elections and Nominations rules
  - ix. The Disciplinarian Committee shall after a determination based on facts on the complaint make recommendations to the National Executive Committee which have the power to pass a penalty including but not to Reprimand, Censure, Sanction, Suspension for a definite period or Expulsion.
  - x. A decision to Suspend or Expel a member shall be ratified by two thirds of the members of the National Governing Council and their decision shall be final. Any vacancy arising shall be filled as provided in this Constitution
  - xi. No other Organ shall have powers to Suspend of Expel a member other than the manner provide in this Article.
- xii. The Committee members shall serve for a term if five years and are eligibility reappointment.

#### **Article 51 General Provisions for Committees**

- i. it is hereby provided that all Committees will develop their own rules of procedure
- ii. it is further provided that upon the committees developing their rules they submit them to the legal Committee for review and thereafter to the National Executive Committee for adoption.
- iii. A member of any committee may be removed from office for gross misconduct failure to adhere to this Constitution or any other misconduct upon a resolution of National Executive Committee.
- iv. The committees will elect their own chairperson and secretary

#### **CHAPTER 9: FINANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT**

## **Article 52 Party Funds**

- i. The National Executive Committee shall establish rules to govern the collection, management and expenditure of party funds.
- ii. All withdrawals shall be against the expenditures in the approved budget or by resolutions of the National Executive Committee.
- iii. The source of funds for the party shall include the following;
  - a. Membership contribution in form of fees and donations
  - b. Exchequer
  - c. Voluntary contribution from lawful sources
  - d. Donations, bequests, grants from any other lawful source other than a non-citizen, foreign government, intergovernmental or non-governmental organization.
  - e. Fundraising
  - f. The proceeds from any investment projects, publication, printing press or undertaking in which the party has an interest.
  - g. Nomination and election Fees
  - h. Net income from publications and consultancies
  - Contributions from party Members of Parliament, Governors and Members of the County Assemblies
- iv. The Purpose of the Party funds shall be used for purposes compatible with democratic principles including:
  - a) Promoting the Party's goals and objectives, party activities and programs
  - b) promoting the representation in Parliament and in the County Assemblies of women, persons with disabilities, youth, ethnic and other minorities and marginalized communities;
  - c) promoting active participation by individual citizens in political life;
  - d) covering the election expenses of the political party and the broadcasting of the policies of the part
  - e) conducting of civic education in democracy and other electoral processes;
  - f) Grassroots mobilization and party recruitment.
  - g) To pay the party auditor such honorarium for services rendered as approved by the National Delegates Convention
  - h) bringing the political party's influence to bear on the shaping of public opinion;
  - i) Administrative expenses of the party which shall not be more than 30% of the monies allocated to the party by the Political Parties Act.

And it is hereby provided that the Party funds will not be distributed among members

v. The National Treasurer shall submit audited accounts made upto date which shall be not less than four weeks and not more than two months before the date of the National Delegates Convention.

- vi. The party shall operate account(s) with bank(s) according to modalities laid by the National Executive Committee
- vii. The signatories to the Party's accounts shall be
  - a. The National Chairperson
  - b. The Secretary General
  - c. The National Treasurer

Upon a resolution of the National Executive Committee.

#### **Article 53 Accounts and Audit**

- i. The National Executive Committee shall cause to be kept proper books and records of accounts of the income, expenditure, assets and liabilities of the party.
- ii. The National Executive Committee shall appoint or reappoint a qualified registered Auditor to audit the books of the party to be submitted to the National Delegates Convention. The Auditor will not be an office bearer or a member of any committee.
- iii. The National Executive Committee shall within three months after the end of each financial year submit to the Auditor General the accounts of the party in respect of that year.
- iv. All Party records, accounts and documents shall be open for inspection by the Auditor at any time.
- v. The Auditor shall be paid such honorarium for services rendered as approved by the National Delegates Convention

#### Article 54 Inspection of accounts and Membership Registers

The books of accounts and all documents relating thereto and the list of members of the party shall be available for inspection at the registered office of the party by any officer, party member and member of the public by giving not less than fourteen days' notice in writing.

#### **Article 55 Liability**

No office bearer shall be held personally liable for any reasonable act or omission in good faith in the performance of their duties as an official.

## **Article 56 Contractual Liability**

No instrument shall bind the party or create legal relationship with the party unless the person executing it has written authorization from the National Executive Committee and such authorization shall indicate the extent of the authority

#### **Article 57 Party Seal**

- i. The party shall have a seal which shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary General.
- ii. The Party Seal shall be authenticated by appending to the document under seal upon a written resolution by the National Executive Committee

### **Article 58 Authorized Signatories**

- (i) All Party Documents and reports required under the Political Parties Act and any other written law shall be signed under the Party Seal and authenticated as follows:
  - a) Mergers and Coalitions by the Secretary General and the National Chairperson
  - b) Annual Report to Registrar of Political Parties by the Secretary General
  - c) Financial Reports by the National Treasurer
  - d) Nomination Certificates by the National Chairperson and the Secretary General
  - e) Any other reports that may be required by the Political Parties Act will be signed by the Secretary General.

#### **Article 59 Press and Publication**

- The party may own and/ or operate a printing press, radio and or Television station as well as an interest or shares in any existing entities.
- ii. The Party may publish its own Literature, Newspaper, Periodical Magazine, Pamphlets and Books among others

## CHAPTER 10: PARTY ELECTIONS AND NOMINATIONS

## **Article 60 General**

It is the commitment of the KDC to conduct, free, fair and transparent party elections and nominations

- The Party shall carry out free and fair elections for its Party officials and nominate Candidates for Presidential, Gubernatorial, Parliamentary and County Assembly members
- ii. The procedure and conduct of Party Elections and Nominations of Party Candidates shall be more specifically set out in the Party Elections and Nominations rules that shall be promulgated by the National Executive Committee.

#### **CHAPTER 11: GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### Article 61 Affiliations, Alliances, and Coalitions

- The Party may enter a pre-election or post-election coalition, alliance with one or more political parties upon a resolution of the National Executive Committee supported by at least two thirds of the members of the National Delegates Convention
- ii. The National Executive Committee shall appoint a five-member ad hoc Coalition Alliance Committee to advise the party on setting up the coalition.
- iii. The Ad hoc Coalition Committee shall be the Party's negotiations team for the purpose of settling the terms of the coalition, alliance or merger Agreement for the National Executive Committee's approval.
- iv. The Party shall by a resolution supported by at least two thirds of the National Delegates Conventions approve, vary, amend, vitiate and/or terminate a coalition, alliance or merger agreement.
- v. The coalition, alliance or merger Agreement shall be executed by the National Chairperson and the Secretary General and deposited with the Registrar of Political Parties in accordance with the provisions of the Political Parties Act.
- vi. The Secretary General shall keep custody of the Coalition Agreement.

#### **Article 62 Party Mergers**

- The Party may enter a pre-election or post-election merger with one or more political parties upon a resolution of the National Executive Committee supported by at least two thirds of the members of the National Delegates Convention
- ii. The National Executive Committee shall appoint a five member ad hoc Merger Committee to advise the party on setting up the coalition. Three members form the quorum.
- iii. The Adhoc Coalition Committee shall be the Party's negotiations team for the purpose of settling the terms of the merger Agreement for the National Executive Committee's approval.
- iv. The Party shall by a resolution supported by at least two thirds of the National Delegates Conventions approve, vary, amend, vitiate and/or terminate a coalition, alliance or merger agreement.
- v. The coalition, alliance or merger Agreement shall be executed by the National Chairperson and the Secretary General and deposited with the Registrar of Political Parties in accordance with the provisions of the Political Parties Act.
- vi. The Secretary General shall keep custody of the Merger Agreement.

#### **Article 63 Internal Dispute Resolution**

The National Executive Committee shall develop rules for the establishment of Internal Dispute Resolution Mechanisms in which the following provisions shall be considered:

- i. The National Executive Committee shall appoint a five member committee and decisions by simple majority..
- ii. The Committee shall be independent of the Party Officials and institutions.
- iii. the procedure for dispute resolution shall be in writing
- iv. Upon receiving a dispute, the committee shall have for a meeting and determine the merits and demerits of the dispute.
- v. decisions of the dispute resolution committee shall be in writing
- vi. the Internal Dispute Resolution shall hear and determine all nomination disputes expeditiously and in any case no later than ninety days to the date of the General Elections.
- vii. in making their determination the committee shall consider the following;
  - a. rules of natural justice shall apply,
  - b. this Constitution and
  - c. the Party Election and Nomination Rules.
- viii. The party shall amicably resolve internal wrangles between members and party organs or among officials or dissatisfied aspirants by way of an internal dispute resolution mechanisms as prescribed in this Constitution and the Party Election and Nomination Rules.
  - ix. The resolution of disputes between the party and its coalition partners shall be as set out in the coalition Agreement
  - x. Any dispute that cannot be solved by the Tribunal shall be adjudicated through arbitration. The aggrieved party or parties shall agree on three arbiters. The National Elections Board shall submit the determination of the arbiters to the National Governing Council for ratification.
  - xi. Should the aggrieved parties still be dissatisfied then they may submit their grievances to the Political Parties Dispute Tribunals.

#### **Article 64 Amendment of the Constitution**

- The National Executive Committee may propose or receive proposals for the amendment of this Constitution from any grassroot party organ or party member. Which proposals shall be presented for approval by at least two thirds of the members eligible to attend the National Delegates Convention and vote.
- ii. The quorum for any meeting at which the amendment of the Party Constitution is proposed shall be two thirds of the delegates eligible to attend and vote at an Ordinary Session of the National Delegates Convention.

# Article 65 Amendment of the Party Name, Symbol, Slogan and Colours

i. The National Executive Committee may propose the amendment and/or change of the Party Name, Symbol, Slogan and colours which proposal shall be presented for approval to the National Delegates Convention and whose quorum shall be at least two thirds of the members eligible to attend and vote.

#### **Article 66 Dissolution**

- i. The Party may be dissolved by a resolution of two thirds majority of members at a Special Session of the National Delegates Convention called expressly for the dissolution of the Party.
- ii. In such Dissolution all properties and funds of the party less liabilities shall be distributed in a manner as shall be determined by the Special Session of the National Delegates Convention at which the resolution in favour of Dissolution is passed. Such assets shall be granted to one or more organizations in Kenya whose objectives conform to those of the Party.
- iii. The quorum for the Dissolution of the Party shall be two thirds of the members eligible to attend and vote at the National Delegates Convention.
- iv. The resolution to dissolve the Party shall be supported by at least two thirds of the members eligible to attend and vote at the Special session of the National Delegates Convention
- v. Voting in motion for the Dissolution of the Party shall be by secret ballot only.

## Article 67 Gender and Affirmative Action

- i. In the endeavour to achieve the objective of full representation of women in all party organs and structures of decision making. The party shall implement affirmative action of at least one third of either gender in all party organ or structures of decision making.
- ii. The party shall ensure that the minorities and marginalized groups are represented in all Party Organs and structures of decision making.

#### **Article 68 Vacancies**

i. Any vacancy occurring in the party during the course of the term before the next National Delegates Convention or party elections as the case may be shall be filled in acting capacity by the National Executive Committee

#### **Article 69 Saving clause**

#### i. Interim Officials

The constitution hereby grants the power and authority to the Founding members to appoint and hereby appoints the following interim National

Party officials to serve on interim basis to set up the party structures and organs as provided herein and shall be in office until the next Party elections of substantive Party Officials

- 1) The Party Leader
- 2) Deputy party leader
- 3) National Chairperson
- 4) 1st Deputy Chairperson (Operations)
- 5) 2nd Deputy chairperson (Programs)
- 6)Secretary General
- 7) National Treasurer
- 8) National Organizing Secretary
- 9) National Woman Leader
- 10) National Youth Leader
- 11) Secretary Special interest Groups
- 12) Secretary for Disability
- 13) Director of Campaigns and political affairs

#### Article 70 Miscellaneous

The National Executive Committee shall have the power to make rules for the better carrying out of all matters provided in this Constitution. Such Rules shall be consistent with the provisions of this Constitution and, where inconsistent, such rules made shall be void to the extent of the inconsistency thereof.

## Article 71 Compliance to the Constitution and the Rule of Law

KDC affirms its commitment to upholding the provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya and the rule of law in its intents and operations

### **SCHEDULE**

## **Schedule I: Party Symbol**

The KDC Symbol is Binoculars



## Schedule II: Party Flag

The KDC flag is compost of Light blue, white and Royal Cream

## **Schedule III: Party Colours**

The KDC colours of the party are Light blue, white and Royal Cream

## Schedule IV: Party Slogan

KENYA DEMOCRACY FOR CHANGE slogan is "Democracy for all "

## Schedule V: Party Salute

The Party salute is a high five {hand with five fingers raised up}

## Schedule VI: Membership fees

The membership fee of each category of members shall be reviewed annually and availed at the parties National and County Offices as well at published at the Party's Website.

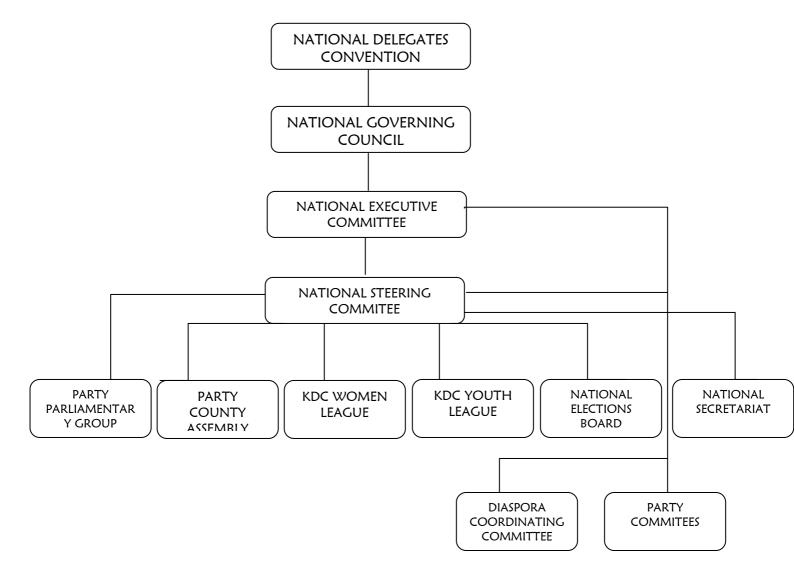
The Party's Membership fees shall be ratified by the National Executive Committee

	Category	Joining	Annual subscription
1.	Ordinary	50	nil
2.	Silver	10,000/=	1000/=
3.	Gold	20,000/=	2,000/=
4.	Corporate	100,000	3000/=

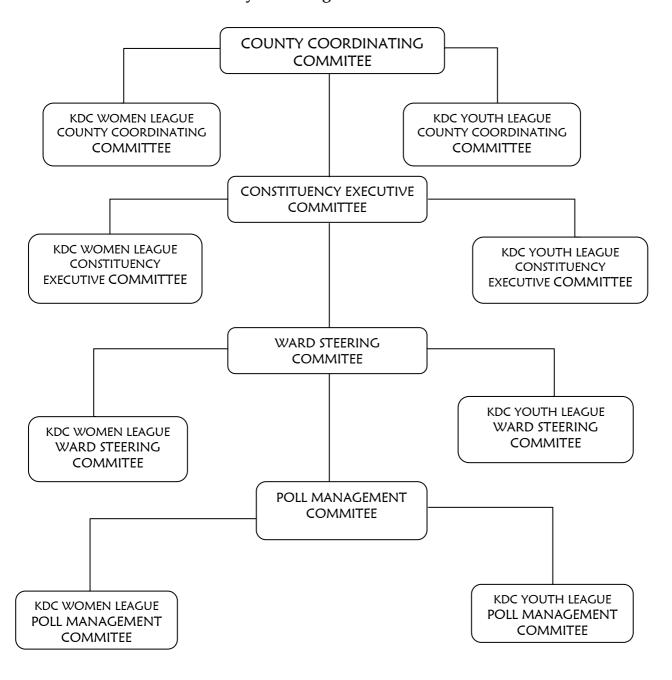
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### Schedule VII KDC ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

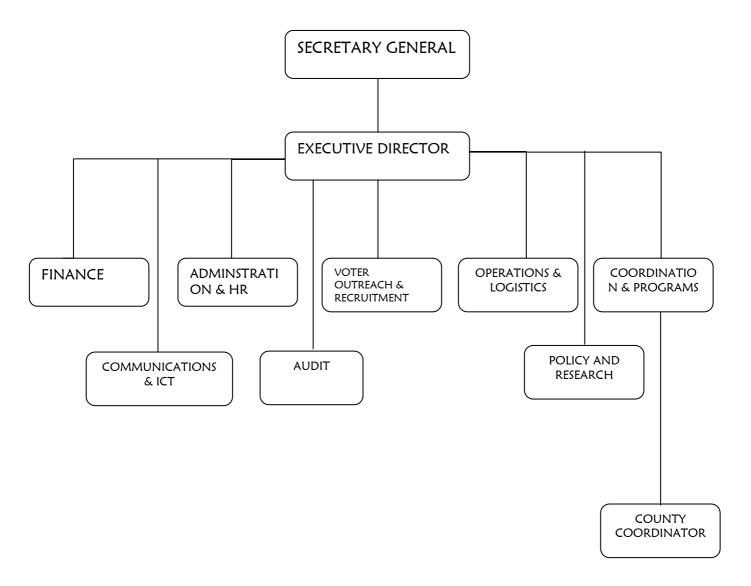
## a. KDC National Organizational Structure



## **B. KDC County Level Organization Structure**



## C. National Secretariat



# **Schedule VII Counties**

1.	Mombasa	25.	Samburu
2.	Kwale	26.	Trans Nzoia
3.	Kilifi	27.	Uasin Gishu
4.	Tana River	28.	Elgeyo/Marakwet
5.	Lamu	29.	Nandi
6.	Taita/Taveta	30.	Baringo
7.	Garissa	31.	Laikipia
8.	Wajir	32.	Nakuru
9.	Mandera	33.	Narok
10.	Marsabit	34.	Kajiado
11.	Isiolo	35.	Kericho
12.	Meru	36.	Bomet
13.	Tharaka-Nithi	37.	Kakamega
14.	Embu	38.	Vihiga
15.	Kitui	39.	Bungoma
16.	Machakos	40.	Busia
17.	Makueni	41.	Siaya
18.	Nyandarua	42.	Kisumu
19.	Nyeri	43.	Homa Bay
20.	Kirinyaga	44.	Migori
21.	Murang'a	45.	Kisii
22.	Kiambu	46.	Nyamira
23.	Turkana	47.	Nairobi City
24.	West Pokot		