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Teachers denounce collection of voters' card numbers

Teachers in Beira say lists are circulating in schools and they are being required to fill in their name and their voter's card number, for reasons which are never explained. Lists are being circulated at Manga Secondary School and some others, allegedly by a teacher who is a member of Frelimo.

A similar list was circulated at Massinga (Inhambane) secondary school, but schools officials said it was not compulsory to provide the information. @Verdade reports a similar list at 29 de Setembro secondary school in Maxixe (Inhambane).

Unpaid electricity bill problems in Matola

Registration is being disrupted at schools which have not paid their electricity bill, because there are frequent power cuts. This has occurred at EPC Primeiro de Maio and at Matola and Zona Verde secondary schools, as well as others in Maputo and Matola.

These cuts are frequent, admitted STAE director general Felisberto Naife. "We are paying for electricity in the schools where we have registration posts, but in some schools with enormous debts to EDM (Electricidade de Moçambique), even where we have tried to pay, the schools continue without electricity."

Registration posts should be open from 08.00 to 16,00 and continue functioning until everyone in the queue is registered.

Chimoio registers only 44%

Chimoio has only registered 44% of the expected voters, admitted the president of the Manica Provincial Elections Commission, António Massilau Vilanculos. Elsewhere in the province, Bárue has registered 100%, and the new municipality of Sussundenga (which only started registration on 20 June) has reached 36%.

Quelimane: registration declining after busy start

Quelimane, where the opposition MDM won a surprise by-election victory in 2011, saw long

queues as many people tried to register in the first month. Turnout is now declining while there are more registration teams, so registration teams are able to relax by late afternoon.

At primary schools 3 de Fevereiro and Quelimane, which have had high turnouts because many people are registering to be closer to where they work, rather than to where they live as set out in the electoral law, queues are short and people are being registered quickly. At 3 de Fevereiro a second registration team and computer has been added, meaning they can register more than 100 people a day.

Vilanculos (Inhambane) had registered 16,293 voters, 60% of those expected, by 29 June. Vilanculos STAE director Francisco Tsoiuane said there were repeated technical problems with the registration equipment, but they had been able to keep going because all problems were resolved in less than an hour.

Maixe (Inhambane): Our correspondent notes a particularly high registration of young people, 18-25 years old, confirmed in interviews with registration teams.

Mandimba (Niassa): Voters are complaining that the photos on the voters' cards are so smeared as to be unrecognizable.

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