



**ELECTORAL COMMISSION FOR SIERRA LEONE
(ECSL)**

O. A. Drive, Tower Hill
Freetown



PRESS STATEMENT ON DEFERMENT OF VILLAGE HEAD ELECTIONS

The public is hereby informed that the elections of Village Heads in the Western Area Rural District scheduled for 11th February, 2023, has been deferred to **21st October, 2023**.

The published election timeline indicates that voter registration card distribution is scheduled to take place from 17th - 26th March, 2023. Card distribution exercise should precede the Village Head elections as voters for these elections need to have their voter cards as a means of identification.

Consequently, the ECSL, in consultation with the Ministry of Local Government has postponed the conduct of Village Head elections to 21st October, 2023. The ECSL commits to assure the general public of its commitment and determination to conduct free, fair, credible and transparent elections at all times.

Dated 1st February, 2023

