## COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS (COMELEC)

## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

MANDATE

The COMELEC is mandated with the following functions:
1.Enforce and administer all laws and regulations relative to the conduct of and elections, plebiscite, initiative, referendum, and recall.

2.Exercise exclusive original jurisdiction over all contests relating to the elections, returns, and qualifications of all elective regional, provincial, and city

officials, and appellate jurisdiction over all contests involving elective municipal officials decided by trial courts of general jurisdiction, or involving elective

barangay official decided by trial courts of limited jurisdiction. 3.Decide, except those involving the right to vote, all questions affecting elections, including determination of the number and location of polling places, appointment

of election officials and inspectors, and registration of voters. 4.Deputize, with the concurrence of the President, law enforcement agencies and instrumentalities of the Government, including the Armed Forces of the Philippines, for

the exclusive purposes of ensuring free, orderly, honest, peaceful credible elections.

 $5. {\tt Register}$ , after sufficient publication, political parties, organizations, of coalitions which, in addition to other requirements, must present their platform or

program of government; and accredit citizens arms of the Commission on Elections.

6. File, upon a verified complaint, or on its own initiative, petitions in court for inclusion or exclusion of voters; investigate and, where appropriate, prosecute

cases of violations of elections laws, including acts or omissions constituting election frauds, offenses, and malpractices.

7.Recommend to the Congress effective measures to minimize election spending, including limitation of places where propaganda materials shall be posted, and to prevent

and penalize all forms of election frauds, offenses, malpractices, and nuisance candidates.

8.Recommend to the President the removal of any officer of employee it has deputized, or the imposition of any other disciplinary action, for violation or disregard of,

or disobedience to its directive, order, or decision.

9. Submit to the President and the Congress a comprehensive report on the conduct of each election, plebiscite, initiative, referendum, or recall.

VISION

Independent, empowered and fully modernized institution conducting transparent electoral processes with credible results in strong partnership with election stakeholders.

MISSION

We, the guardians of the sovereign will of the Filipino people commit ourselves to conduct clean, credible, free, honest, orderly and modernized electoral exercises and to empower the electorate toward a vibrant Philippine democracy.

SECTOR OUTCOME

: People-centered, innovative, clean, efficient, effective, and inclusive delivery of public goods and services

ORGANIZATIONAL OUTCOME : 00 : Free, orderly, honest and credible political exercises