



**Press Release:**

**MKENYA DAIMA CONGRATULATES KENYANS FOR MAINTAINING PEACE  
DURING THE ELECTIONS PERIOD**

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**Nairobi, Kenya, August 17, 2022.** The Mkenya Daima Initiative would like to congratulate and thank all Kenyans who came out to exercise their democratic right and cast their vote during the August 9, 2022, general elections, and for showcasing that Kenyans are peace loving and thereby maintained peace as the country eagerly waited for the announcement of the Presidential results by the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC). Truly Kenyans have taken responsibility and adopted the Wajibu Wangu ethos and that makes us all proud as Kenyans.

We congratulate all the duly elected incoming Leaders across the board and as the country moves forward, we urge all these Leaders to unite the country as we were divided during campaigns **but now is the time to take the lead in ensuring the country moves forward peacefully**. Our tomorrow depends on how we conduct ourselves today, and for justice to be our shield and defender, we will and must protect the sanctity of the Peace, Love and Unity that we all cherish as a country.

We would like to thank the different stakeholders including the IEBC, the National Police Service and all security agencies involved, the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP), the National Cohesion and Integration Commission (NCIC), election Observers, the Diplomatic Community and all stakeholders who took their rightful role to ensure that Kenya had a peaceful election. In addition, we thank the responsible media who objectively reported the news and informed the country on the real issues, and urge them to continue in the spirit of **WAJIBU WANGU (Our Responsibility)**.

We also applaud all the private sector, religious leaders and civil society organizations including community & grassroots organizations alongside the youth and women groups, that came out strongly to champion for peace. We encourage them **to continue doing so** while creating opportunities for open dialogue and mediation for mutual and peaceful solutions, where there may be disagreement as a result of the elections.

Finally, Mkenya Daima strongly condemns the killing of the IEBC returning officer for Embakasi East, Mr. Daniel Mbolu Musyoka whose body was discovered in Kajiado County. Elections should never be a matter of life and death, and no life should be lost because of an electoral process.

In keeping with the Mkenya Daima rallying call of '**Nitatenda Wajibu Wangu**', let us all continue maintaining peace wherever we may be across the country.

***Mkenya Daima ni Yule Jirani Mwema, Tutekeleze Wajibu Wetu.***

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## **About Mkenya Daima**

MKENYA DAIMA is a non-partisan multi-stakeholder platform formed in 2012 with the primary purpose of inspiring peaceful elections and a smooth leadership transition, thus creating stability, which is essential for business continuity and prosperity for Kenya as a nation. Previous initiatives under Mkenya Daima saw the country experience peaceful elections in 2013 and 2017.

The initiative is inspired by the private sector but is for all Kenyans and brings together representatives of various stakeholder groups, including the business community, religious leaders, civil society, media, youth, and women leaders, among others.

Building on the interventions and lessons learnt from previous phases, in 2012 and 2017, Mkenya Daima 2022, under the auspices of the KEPSA Foundation will focus on encouraging and supporting the conduct of peaceful elections and smooth leadership transition afterward but also seeks to build more on 'Wajibu Wangu' (my responsibility) to "Nitatenda Wajibu Wangu" which is a rallying call for Kenyans to be responsible for Kenya and to choose the right leaders at every level.