OVER HALF OF ALL PROVINCES DECLARE CERTIFIED FINAL RESULTS

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The Joint Electoral Management Body (JEMB) October 27 certified eleven more final results from this year’s Wolesi Jirga and Provisional Council elections. Badghis, Daikundi, Faryab, Ghor, Logar, Laghman, Jowzjan, Nuristan, Uruzghan, Wardak and Zabul joined the list of provinces whose election results are now final. More than half of Afghanistan’s thirty-four provinces now have final results certified by the JEMB, with the remaining results expected to be released over the coming days.

Bissmillah Bissmil, Chairman of the Joint Electoral Management Body said: “We are making good progress in certifying the final results from this year’s Wolesi Jirga and Provincial Council elections and expect to be able to certify the remaining provinces as soon as the Electoral Complaints Commission has adjudicated any outstanding complaints that could affect the outcome of the election result for the remaining provinces.

“We will make no compromises in our diligence as we complete the vital task of ensuring that each and every certified final result is an accurate reflection of the will of the millions of voters who came out to vote in last month’s historic elections.”

There is a five day period after the publication of each provisional result for complaints to be made; these will be adjudicated by the Electoral Complaints Commission before the JEMB can release certified final results for a province.

Certified final results for remaining provinces will continue to be published on the JEMB website: (www.results.jemb.org).

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