



RASSED statement end of the second day of candidates registration process for Decentralization and Municipalities Elections

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- **The total number of local elections' candidates rises to 5521 with the end of the second day of registration.**
- **539 male and female candidates for Mayor positions.**
- **4 women registered candidacy for Mayor positions in Irbid, Tafila and Karak.**
- **A total of 884 (16%) women registered candidacy for municipal and governorates councils' elections in the first two days.**
- **Jerash and Karak record the highest percentages in women's candidacy and Amman records the lowest.**

Within the framework of monitoring Jordan's 2017 local elections, RASSED team monitored the proceedings of the second day of candidates' registration for municipal and governorates councils' elections, where 350 Long Term Observers (LTOs) were deployed across all registration centers to aggregate systematic observations and track violations and irregularities.

On the second day, a total of 1,565 candidates successfully completed their registration for the municipal and governorates' councils across Jordan's 12 governorates. A total of 94 candidates were registered for Mayor positions, while a total of 242 candidates, including 30 women, are running for governorate councils' membership. On the other hand, 1229 candidates, including 291 women, were registered for the local councils' seats (and municipal councils for municipalities with a single local council) during the second day of the registration process.

As for the breakdown of the number of candidates, Irbid recorded the highest number of candidacy applications during the first two days of the registration process, where a total of 1279 applications were submitted for the municipal and governorates councils' elections. Followed by Mafraq, where a total of 814 candidacy applications were submitted during the two days of the registration process. Aqaba, on the other hand, recorded the lowest number of candidacy applications with total number of 129 submissions during the two days. However, it should be noted that these absolute figures are in harmony with the proportionality of candidacy applications against allocated seats.



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Irbid and Mafrqa recorded 37.9% of the total number of candidacy applications in the kingdom during the two days, while Amman recorded 11.3%. The lowest percentage was recorded in Aqaba candidates with 2.3%, which is reflective of the narrow districting and minimal seat allocation.

As for the gender analysis of candidacy applicants in each governorate, the number of female candidates for municipal and governorates councils reached a total of 884 candidates during the first two days of registration process. Irbid received the highest number of female candidates nation-wide with a total of 209 female candidates, followed by Mafrqa with a total of 143 registered female candidates, and Aqaba remains the lowest with only 17 female candidates registered.

Jerash recorded the highest percentage of female candidates among all governorates of with 19.9% of the total number of applicants at the governorate level, followed by Karak with 19.3%. Amman, on the other hand, recorded the lowest percentage of female candidates by 11% only during the first two days.



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5,521 Total No. of Candidates

539 for Mayor

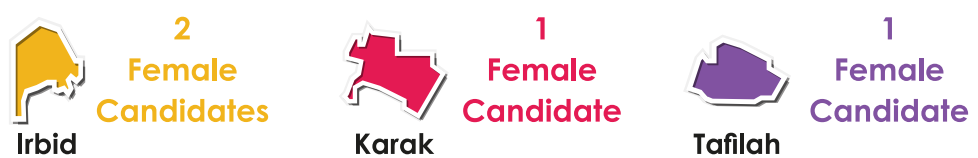
3,916 Local Councils

1,066 Governorate Councils



Governorate	Mayor	Local Council	Governorate Council
Amman	47	393	185
Zarqa	31	357	114
Balqa	33	301	97
Madaba	32	136	69
Mafraq	106	589	119
Irbid	121	1,019	139
Ajloun	27	231	70
Jerash	27	189	60
Karak	52	340	70
Ma'an	20	149	47
Tafilah	28	144	50
Aqaba	15	68	46

Total No. of Female Candidates for Mayor



Total No. of Female Candidates in each Governorate

