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RASSED's STUDY ON THOSE WISHING TO RUN IN THE 2020 PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

- 1076 Jordanian men and women want to run in the upcoming parliamentary elections.
- 19% of all those who wanted to run were female.
- Al-Mafraq's district is the highest in the percentage of females who want to run, with 48%.
- Jerash's district is the highest in the percentage of males who wish to run with 93%.

* This work was carried out by long-term monitors as part of the process of monitoring the parliamentary elections 2020



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Hayat - RASED's team for monitoring the parliamentary elections has implemented a step by step observation of the parliamentary election scene in Jordan, by gathering information on citizens who intend to run for the 19th parliament elections scheduled for 11 / 10 / 2020, in all of the country's districts. The RASED's field teams used a methodology consisting of personal interviews and election pages via various social media and personal accounts of people who intend to run.

The results of the implemented monitoring effort showed that as of August 26, 2020, the number of those who intend to run in the upcoming parliamentary elections has reached 1076 candidates. Out of the 1076 candidates, there were 206 women intending to run, with a rate of 19% of the total number of candidates, while the percentage of male candidates reached a total of 81%. Moreover, at the electoral districts level, Al-Balqa district topped the electoral districts with the highest number of candidates, with a rate of 10% of the total number of candidates, followed by Al-Karak district, with a rate of 9.5% of the total number of candidates. As for the districts with the least number of parliamentary candidates, were the Southern Badia's district and Irbid's third district, with 2% for each of them out of the total candidates.

Dr Amer Bani Amer, Director of Hayat-RASED, stated that the increased number of candidates for the 19th Parliament elections indicates a great interest by Jordanians in the electoral process and that the increased number of candidates will in return increase the expected participation rate, especially since we still have 41 days separating us from the date of the official start of candidacy, which means that the opportunity is still available for increasing the number of candidates.

Dr. Bani Amer also emphasized that the electoral scene must be in harmony with the need to improve the parliamentary output, in order to harmonies with the aspirations of the electoral voter bases, as well as with the priorities of the Jordanian state regarding all of its files.

At the governorate level, the number of candidates in the capital reached 243 candidates, with a percentage of 23% of the total number of candidates, followed by Irbid Governorate, with 156 candidates, which make up 15% of total candidacy, while Aqaba governorate had the least number of candidates with 33, which translated to only 3% of the total number candidates.

As for women who intend to run in the elections, the Al-Mafraq's district had the most number of women who intended to run in the upcoming parliamentary elections with 48% of the total number of candidates within the district, followed by the Southern Badia's district at 37%, then followed by Northern Badia's district with 36% of the total number of candidates within the district.

As for men who intend to run in the parliamentary elections, the Jerash's district was the highest in the percentage of men who intended to run in the elections, with 93% of the total number of candidates within the district, followed by Irbid's first district, Amman fourth's district and Ma'an's district, with 92% in each of their districts.

The preliminary numbers of those who are running in the 2020 Parliamentary elections

Country-level



Electoral level

