

Republic Of South Sudan National Examinations Council Office of The Chairperson

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PRESS STATEMENT ON THE 2025 CERTIFICATE OF PRIMARY EDUCATION (CPE) AND CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION (CSE) EXAMINATIONS

Members of the Press, Ladies and Gentlemen.

On behalf of South Sudan National Examinations Council (SSNEC) and on my own behalf, I wish to take this opportunity to inform all candidates, parents, education stakeholders, and the general public that all necessary arrangements for the 2025 academic year Certificate of Primary Education (CPE) and Certificate of Secondary Education (CSE) examinations have been completed.

The Council has finalized all examination processes, and the official administration dates have been confirmed. The CPE and CSE examinations will commence on Monday 24 November 2025 and will conclude on Friday 29th November 2025 for CPE while the CSE Examinations will commence on Monday 1st December 2025 and will conclude on Tuesday 9th December 2025, as detailed in the official timetables attached herewith.

For the Certificate of Primary Education (CPE), a total of 84,815 candidates have duly registered for the 2025 examinations. This includes 45,545 males (54%) and 39,269 females (46%), drawn from 1,953 schools across 551 examination Centres. This represents an increase of 15,535 candidates (18.2%) compared to last year's candidature of 70,010 candidates.

For the Certificate of Secondary Education (CSE), a total of 44,364 candidates have registered, comprising 25,863 males (58%) and 18,501 females (42%). Among these are 667 refugee candidates (428 males and 239 females), 120 technical candidates (92 males and 28 females), and 30 commercial candidates (23 males and 7 females) from 510 schools nationwide. This reflects a decrease of 5,640 candidates (11.3%) from last year's total of 50,004.

As we approach the examination period, I take this moment to wish all our candidates the very best of success in their forthcoming examinations.

I would also like to remind all supervisors, invigilators, monitors, and security personnel that the credibility and integrity of our national examinations are of utmost importance to the Council and the nation at large. The conduct of examinations must reflect the highest standards of fairness, transparency, and professionalism.

All those entrusted with examination management must familiarize themselves with the Council's Examination Conduct and Invigilation Guidelines, as outlined in the official guidebooks. These must be strictly adhered to, to ensure that examinations are conducted in a secure and conducive environment for all candidates.

Furthermore, the National Examinations Council has the prerogative to nullify or cancel results of any candidate or candidates, school or centre that will be found to be involved in any exams malpractice.

Finally, I wish to extend my deepest appreciation to His Excellency, General Salva Kiir Mayardit, President of the Republic of South Sudan and Her Excellency, Josephine Lagu Yanga the Vice President for Service Cluster, for their unwavering support to the education sector and the work of the National Examinations Council.

Congratulations to all 2025 examination candidates. May your hard work yield success and make our nation proud

Thank you.

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