

## The Republic of South Sudan Ministry of General Education and Instruction

Office of the Minister

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Subject: Press Statement on 2023 Secondary School Examinations

Members of the press, Ladiés and gentlemen:

On behalf of the South Sudan National Examinations Council, and on my own behalf, I would like to take this opportunity to inform the candidates, parents, all stakeholders and general public that all the processes of academic year 2023, Certificate of Secondary Education (CSE) Examinations have been put in place and examination administration dates have been fixed. The CSE examinations begin on Monday 4th, December 2023, and end by Thursday 14th December 2023. (Timetable is attached herewith)

In terms of entries, a total of **44,991** candidates, that is (**28,289** males (63 %) and **16,685** (37 %) females); amongst these there are; **887** Refugees (**616** Males and **267** Females); and Accelerated Secondary Education Program (ASEP) 2,103 (**1481** Males and **622** Females) have dully registered for the examinations in **500** schools as detailed in the below table.

Table 1 Shows Statistics of 2023 CSE Examination Candidates

S/ N	State/Area	2023 CSE Examination Candidates				Total	Examination Centers
	3	F	% OF	м	% OF		
1	CENTRAL EQUATORIA STATE	7,282	42	9,944	58	1,7226	176
2	LAKES STATE	664	28	1717	72	2,381	31
3	WESTERN EQUATORIA STATE	669	40	1022	60	1,691	39
4	PIBOR AA	20	23	63	67	87	2
5	ABYEI AA	148	29	356	71	504	5
6	RUWENG A A	603	33	1240	67	1,843	20
7	LAKES STATE	635	27	1679	73	2,314	17
8	JONGLEI STATE	373	21 :	1425	79	1,798	24
9	UNITY	296	25	882	75	1,178	24
10	UPPER NILE STATE	764	29	1855	71	2,622	35
11	WESTERN BAHR EL GAZAL STATE	1,598	40	2,402	60	4,001	33
12	EASTERN EQUATORIA STATE	1,085	39	1,662	61	2,747	39
13	NORTHERN BAHR EL GAZAL STATE	1,088	39	1,671	61	2,759	37
14	IDPs IN JUBA	1,322	37	2,282	63	3,603	17
15	EGYPT	138	58	98	41	237	1
	Grand Total	16,685	37	28,298	63	44,991	500

TABLE 3 Shows Commercial and Technical schools

S/No	School Type	Males	Females	Total
1	Juba Commercial	49	57	106
2	Juba Technical	111	15	126
	Total	160	72	232

## **Observations**

- This academic year, the Secretariat recorded increment in the number of candidates by **9,412** (21%) compared to **35,459** registered in 2022 CSE examinations.
- The Female candidates also increased by **4,146** (24.8%) compared to academic year 2022 which recorded a total of **12,539**
- The number of schools increased by **100** schools (10%) compared to **400** schools registered in 2022 CSE examination.
- The Refugee Candidates also increased by 119 Students (13.5%) compared to 764 students who registered in the 2022 CSE examination.
- Technical school registration increased by 30 students, while commercial school registration decreased by 36 students compared to 96 students and 142 students who registered in the 2022 CSE examination respectively.

Having said that, I would wish all the candidates the best of luck in their examinations, and also like to draw special attention to: supervisors, invigilators, monitors, security and police, that credibility and integrity of examination processes are of great significance to the South Sudan National Examinations Council. The monitors and security personnel play a pivotal role in helping the Council to ensure that security is maintained, and examinations are conducted in a fair and appropriate manner that allows the candidates to sit in a suitable examination

environment. You must acquaint yourselves very well with the security and invigilation guidelines stipulated in the Council's Examination conduct and Invigilation booklets. All persons who will be involved in the management of examinations MUST READ and understand their roles as set forth in the guidebook.

Finally, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation to our President, H.E. Salva Kiir Mayardit, for his steadfast support to the education of the children of the Republic of South Sudan.

Congratulation to the 2023 examination candidates!

Thank you.

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