



THE CONSTITUTION

OF

NORTHERN FORUM

OF

**ZONAL AND STATE YOUTH LEADERS OF PDP
(NOFZSYLP)**

August, 2024

PREAMBLE

Having realized the need to foster effective synergy for maximum results, we the respective Zonal & State Youth Leaders of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) have despite our differences in culture, religion and social status agreed to give to ourselves this Constitution.

Article One: Name of the Association

The Forum shall be known and referred to as Northern Forum of Zonal and State Youth Leaders of PDP (NOFZSYLP).

Article Two: Supremacy of the Constitution

The Constitution of the Northern Forum of Zonal and State Youth Leaders of PDP shall be supreme and have binding force on all persons and organs of the Forum.

Article Three: Motto

The Motto of the Forum shall be 'uplifting the North through Good Governance'.

Article Four: Aims and Objectives

1. To engender a peer review mechanism amongst members with a view to achieving maximum electoral results.
2. To readily encourage synergy amongst members in order to boost electoral fortunes of the Party.
3. To energize the youthful members of the Party towards increased membership drive for our Party.

Article Five: The Secretariat

The Secretariat of the Northern Forum of Zonal and State Youth Leaders of PDP shall be located in Abuja, the Federal Capital Territory (FCT).

Article Six: Organizational Structure (Organogram)

The Organizational Structure of the Forum shall constitute of the following viz;

1. Regional Executive Committee (Highest Decision Making Organ)
2. Standing Committees
3. Ad-hoc Committees.

Article Seven: Executive Positions

There shall be for the Forum, the following Executive Positions viz;

1. Chairman
2. Deputy Chairman
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer
5. Organizing Secretary
6. Financial Secretary
7. Publicity Secretary
8. Auditor
9. Deputy Secretary
10. Deputy Financial Secretary
11. Deputy Auditor
12. Deputy Treasurer
13. Deputy Publicity Secretary
14. Deputy Organizing Secretary

Article Eight: Function of the Executive Positions or Officers

1.Chairman

- A). Shall coordinate all affairs/activities of all Executive Officers of the Forum.
- B.) Shall serve as the Chief Executive of the Forum.
- C.) Shall serve as the Principal Signatory to the Forum's Bank Accounts.
- D.) Shall provide firm and effective leadership and direct the activities of the Forum under the overall supervision of the Regional Executive Committee.
- E.) Promote and defend the integrity, policies and programmes of the Forum and make pronouncements for and on behalf of the Regional Executive Committee, outlining the policies, programmes and activities of the Forum.

- F.) Assign the functions to any member or officer of the Forum.
- G.) Ensure strict compliance with the provisions of this Constitution and do all such other things as shall promote the growth and welfare of the Forum.

2. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

The Deputy Chairman shall perform the following functions:

- A.) Assist the Chairman in the discharge of his duties.
- B.) Perform such other functions that may be assigned to him.
- C.) In the event of resignation, removal, death, incapacity or absence of the Chairman, the Deputy Chairman shall assume office as Chairman in acting capacity until a replacement is made from the same zone as the former occupant.

3. SECRETARY

There shall be a Secretary who shall be the Chief Administrative officer of the Forum and whose functions shall be;

- A.) Conduct or direct the conduct of the correspondences of the Forum and cause to be issued notice of meeting of Regional Executive Committee.
- B.) Keep or Cause to be kept all records of proceeding of the Regional Executive Committee as well as other records of the Forum.
- C.) Consult the Chairman in the discharge of the duties of his office.
- D.) Shall be Signatory to the Forum's Bank Account.

4. DEPUTY SECRETARY

There shall be a Deputy Secretary who shall assist the Secretary in the discharge of his duties and shall act for him in his absence or whenever so directed.

5. TREASURER

- A.) Shall receive and promptly pay into the Forum's Bank Account all monies recorded for and on behalf of the Forum.
- B.) Ensure prudent management of the Forum's Funds.
- C.) Ensure that all funds received by the Forum are paid into the Forum's account immediately and if for any reason that is not possible, the Fund shall be paid within 48hrs after collection.

D.) Shall be Signatory to the Forum's Bank Account.

6. FINANCIAL SECRETARY

A.) Collect and Keep records of all dues, levies, subscription and donations paid or made to the Forum.

B.) Prepare and submit proposal for raising funds for the consideration of the Regional Executive Committee.

C.) Establish and coordinate policies for the investment of Funds to guarantee income for the Forum.

7. DEPUTY FINANCIAL SECRETARY

There shall be a Deputy Financial Secretary who shall assist the Financial Secretary in the discharge of his duties and deputize him in his absence.

8. ORGANIZING SECRETARY

A.) Initiate Programmes for the general mobilization of the Party member and recruitment of new members.

B.) Coordinate all field activities of the Forum.

9. PUBLICITY SECRETARY

A.) Shall coordinate all information and public relations of the Forum.

B.) Shall be the image-maker of the Forum.

C.) Shall cause to be publicized the policies and programmes of the Forum in line with the Aims & Objectives of the Forum.

10. AUDITOR

A.) Shall audit the books of account of the Forum annually and report to the Regional Executive Committee.

11. DEPUTY AUDITOR

(A) There shall be a Deputy Auditor who shall assist the auditor in the discharge of his duties and shall deputize in his absence.

12. DEPUTY PUBLICITY SECRETARY

(A) There shall be a Deputy Publicity Secretary who shall assist the Publicity Secretary in the discharge of his duties and deputize him in his absence

13. DEPUTY ORGANIZING SECRETARY

(A) There shall be a Deputy Organizing Secretary who shall assist the Organizing Secretary in the discharge of his duties and shall deputize him in his absence

14. DEPUTY TREASURER

(A) There shall be a Deputy Treasurer who shall assist the Treasurer in the discharge of his duties and deputize him in his absence

ARTICLE NINE: TENURE OF OFFICE

The Tenure of Executive Officer shall be 2 Years and shall not be renewable.

ARTICLE TEN: MEETINGS

There shall monthly meeting of Regional Executive Committee and the General House and shall rotate from State to State.

ARTICLE ELEVEN: SPECIAL CLAUSE

1. The forum shall appoint distinguished Northern Leaders into her board of trustees on the basis of states and shall be persons of high integrity and impeccable character. They are to appoint their Chairman & Secretary from amongst members.

2. The pioneer executive officers of the forum shall become life members of the forum's board of trustees on expiration of their tenure.

3. Members of the board of trustees are to serve a tenure of 5 years in first term and can be renewed for second term subject to the decisions of the forum's executive committee.

4. In the event a vacancy exist in the office of the chairman as a result of either death, resignation, infirmity, or expiration of tenure of statutory position, the vice chairman shall act pending his replacement from his state or zone who shall serve out his tenure of office.

5. In the event of vacancy(ies) that may be occasioned by the exit of both chairman and deputy chairman by reasons of death, resignation, infirmity or expiration of tenure of statutory position, the secretary shall act pending appropriate replacement.

6. For withdrawal to be made from the forum's bank account, the chairman must sign alongside anyone of remaining 2 signatories (that is either secretary or treasurer).

ARTICLE TWELVE: FUNCTIONS OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A.) Ensure highest Standards of morality in all the activities of the Forum by acting as the conscience of the Forum, with power to call to order any officer of the Forum whose conduct falls below the norms.

B). Ensure high morale of members and that, the Forum enjoys a good image before the Nigerian populace and is in good political health.

C). Harmonize, coordinate, review and advice on policies, programmes and activities of the Forum.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I,do solemnly swear/affirm that I would be faithful and bear true allegiance to the Northern Forum of Zonal and State Youth Leaders of PDP and the Federal Republic of Nigeria and that I Will preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the Northern Forum of Zonal and State Youth Leaders of PDP and the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: OATH OF OFFICE

I, do solemnly swear/affirm that I shall be faithful and bear true allegiance to the Northern Forum of Zonal and State Youth Leaders of PDP, I shall discharge my duties to the best of my ability, faithfully and in accordance with the Constitution of the Forum and always in the interest of the integrity, solidarity, Advancement, well being and prosperity of the Forum, the Peoples Democratic Party and the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
So help me God.

DECLARATION/COMMENCEMENT

We hereby declare that the Constitution of the Northern Forum of Zonal and State Youth Leaders of PDP was further amended and Ratified by the Regional Executive Committee & General Congress (House) that held in Abuja on Saturday 31st August, 2024, hence its Commencement of operation.

Dated this 2nd day of September, 2024



Aruwa Ismaila
Chairman



Kabiru Nura Hussain
Secretary

