



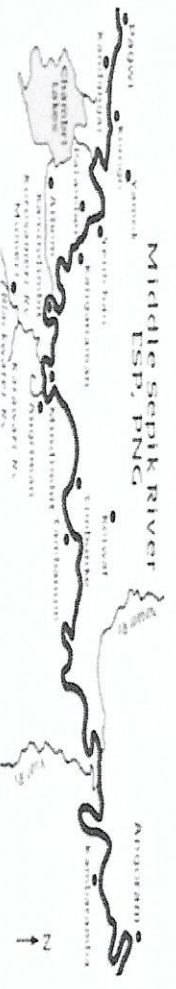
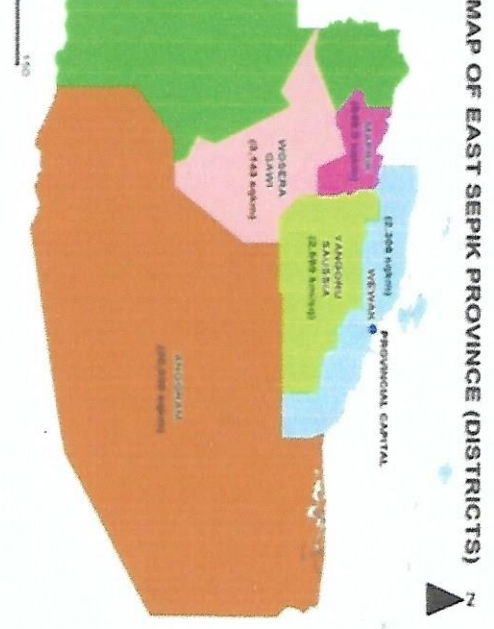
**SPECIAL
PARLIAMETARY
COMMITTEE HEARING
ON NATIONAL
ELECTIONS**

EAST SEPIK PROVINCE PRESENTATION



East Sepik Provincial Profile

PROVINCE	EAST SEPIK
Provincial Capital	WEWAK
NUMBER OF DISTRICTS/ELECTORATES	6
NUMBER OF LLGs	28 LLGs (2 of these are Urban LLGs)
POPULATION FIGURE	434,724 (2011 National Pop. Census)
TOTAL LANDMASS	438,339 km²



ELECTION IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS

- We are closest to the people.
- We understand the system of the government right down to the people
- Success of the election depends on how the Electoral Commission does its job
- Provincial Election Steering Committee replicates roles and responsibilities of the of the Electoral Commission *e.g: selection and appointment of Returning Officers.*
- ESPG/ESPA to take ownership of Common Roll updates – ESPG to purchase 675 Tablets

NATIONAL GENERAL ELECTION PROCESSES

- Common Roll Update
- Issue of Writs
- Nomination
- Campaign
- Polling
- Counting
- Declaration
- Return of Writs
- Dispute of returns

FINANCES

Funding Source	Initial Amount	Actual Amount	Variation
PNGEC electoral Office	K 7,300,000.00	K5,020,000.00	K2,280,000.00
ESPG Election Support	K 1,500,000.00	K1,500,000.00	0
ESPA Additional Budget Support	K 800,000.00	K 800,000.00	0
DDA Support – Ambunti Drekkier	K 150,000.00	K 150,000.00	0
DDA Support – Angoram	K 500,000.00	K 500,000.00	0
LLG Support – Angoram	K 150,000.00	K 150,000.00	0
Total monies used for ESP Election		K7,502,000.00	

CORRECT/RELEVANT DATA

- Common Roll Update
- National Census
- Ward recorders
- Ward Record Books
- Population Growth rate

ISSUES

- Funding – Budget shortfall
- Poor common roll updating
- Outstanding liabilities (2012, 2017) *2.5 mil*
- Restriction placed by Ombudsman Commission in the eve of NGE
- Shortage of form 11
- Shortage of payment for allowances
- Security

WAY FORWARD

- ESPG/ESPA will purchase 667 tablets for common roll update