**NPRC Launches Voter Peace Education Campaign**

In line with the National Peace and Reconciliation Commission’s Conflict Prevention mandate, its Voter Peace Education Campaign was launched last week in preparation for the 2023 Harmonised Elections. The blitz will be conducted in all the country’s 10 provinces targeting remote districts as well as constituencies that have not been reached out to in the previous Commission’s programmes. The programme will be carried up to August 2023; conducted on a monthly basis over a period of one week every month and the process will assist in enhancing the Commission’s on-the-ground presence, visibility, promoting peaceful conduct and mutual trust during elections. During the blitz, the deployed teams are led by the Commissioner responsible for the Province. The Commission has covered districts such as Nkayi, Umzingwane, Hurungwe, Mt Darwin, Bindura, Chimanimani, Nyanga among others.

**Objectives of the Exercise**

* Conducting voter peace education in all the country’s provinces including remote communities and disseminating information on the peacebuilding mandate of NPRC;
* Identify conflict risks, develop mitigation processes or make appropriate referrals thereof;
* Engaging provincial and district elections officials to understand any possible threats to peace and the supportive role that the NPRC can play to dissipate them;
* Laying the groundwork for the upcoming harmonised elections’ deployment and peace observations by the Commission.