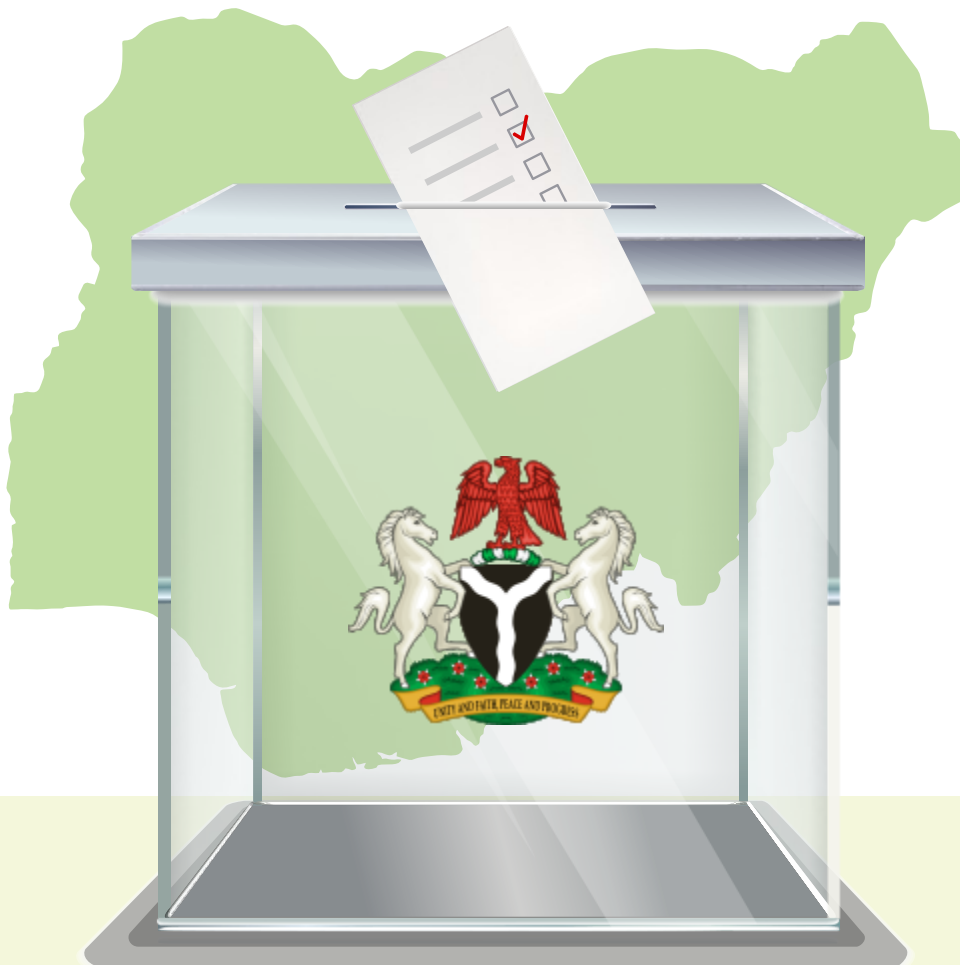


ACTION AID NIGERIA'S  
OBSERVATION REPORT ON THE  
**2023**  
General Elections

under the

ENLOGIC Project: Enhancing Logistics Delivery  
& Citizens Participation in Nigeria Elections



## INTRODUCTION

Under the ENLOGIC project, ActionAid Nigeria (AAN) conducted Election Observation, in collaboration with the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC), The Nigeria Civil Society Situation Room (NCSSR) and other stakeholders. The ENLOGIC project engages critical stakeholders in a bid to address the challenges inherent in the logistics deployment of election materials for administration, specifically it seeks to develop innovative approaches toward the early transportation of sensitive and non-sensitive election materials.

Effective and efficient logistics deployment is critical to the successful conduct of General Elections in Nigeria. However, there are significant limitations, challenges, gaps, and barriers that need to be addressed to ensure a credible, free, and fair electoral process. Stakeholders, including the electoral commission, political parties, civil society organizations, security agencies, and the media, must work together to address these

issues and ensure the success of future general elections in Nigeria.

For the 2023 General Elections, AAN secured accreditation for 700 candidates to observe the 2023 General Election, out of which 529 persons were trained on the election observation processes, the use of the ActionAid Nigeria I-Observer App, the Electoral Act 2022, the Election Regulations and Guidelines, the Election Observation checklist, Principles and Rules of Election Observation, and the timelines for submission of an election observation report. To ascertain the compliance of the INEC's conduct of the elections as stipulated in the Electoral Act 2022, the Regulations and Guidelines etc, AAN observers took particular cognizance of the Poll Opening, Material Arrivals, Setting Up of the Poll, the Accreditation and Voting Process, Counting and Announcing of the Result, Vote Buying, Personnel Support for the PwDs, the Elderly, Pregnant Women etc.

## METHODOLOGY

AAN set up a Technical Room at the Rockview Royal Hotel, from where data were processed for onward transmission to the Nigeria Civil Society Situation Room.

Utilizing the recent innovative product of AAN, the I-Observer App, offered us the opportunity for Real Time Analysis, Escalation of critical incidents, Rapid Response Mechanisms, Evident based Reporting, etc.

To facilitate these processes, AAN trained and deployed Data Analysts to assist in collating, and analyzing the data being sent from the

field by the observers, while issues emanating from the field as reported by the Observers were escalated to the relevant bodies including INEC, security outfits, media, etc. Press statements were released periodically all through the election period.

As shown below in graphics, this report is structured into two: The presidential and the Gubernatorial. Collated data were analyzed using the Google form app, Micro Excel, and PSPP statistical software by the team of analysts trained.

## B. PRESIDENTIAL AND NATIONAL ASSEMBLY REPORT

### I. Overall Election Day Logistics Performance (Officials and Materials; Polling units and set up; Accreditation and voting; and Counting and announcement)

Fig 1: Overall Election Day Logistic Performance in the 2023 Presidential Elections



### II. Official and Material Arrival

Fig 2: Officials and Materials

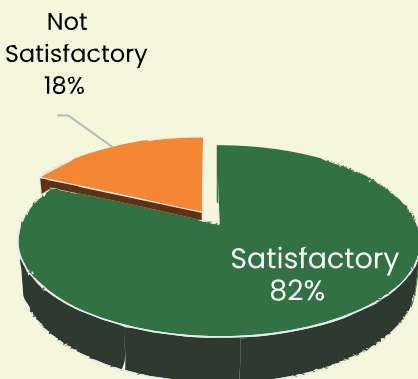


Fig 3: Officials and Materials: Proportion of 'Yes' Responses

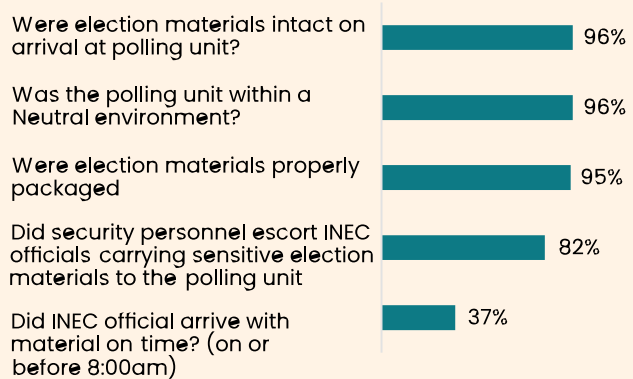
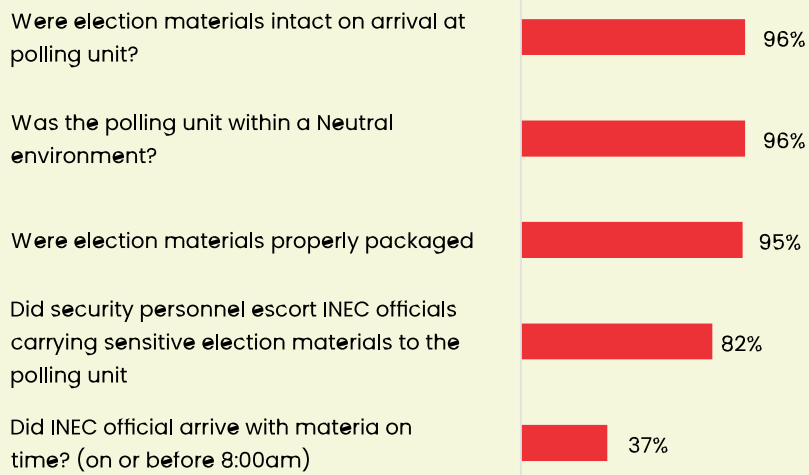
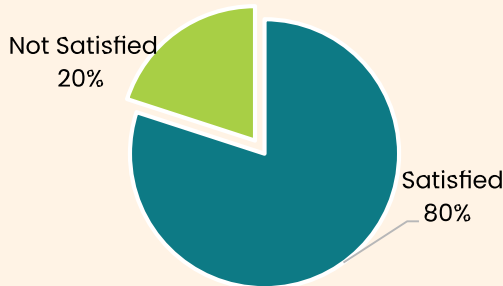


Fig 3: Officials and Materials: Proportion of 'Yes' Responses



### III. Polling units and set up

Fig 4: Polling units and set up: Estimated from Pooled Proportion of all Responses

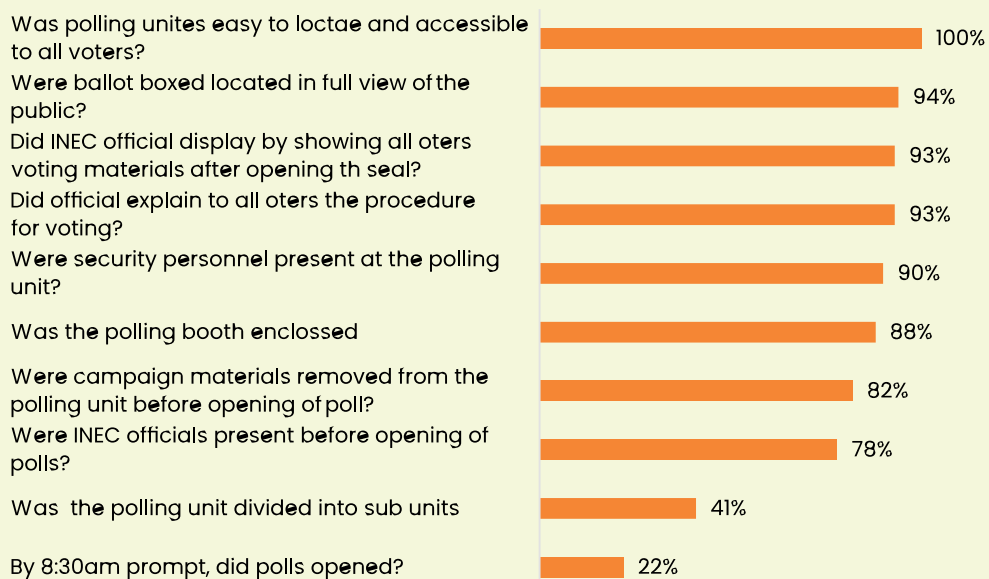


Campaign materials were not removed in 18% of the polling units observed.

22% of the INEC officials were not present before the scheduled time of 8:30am.

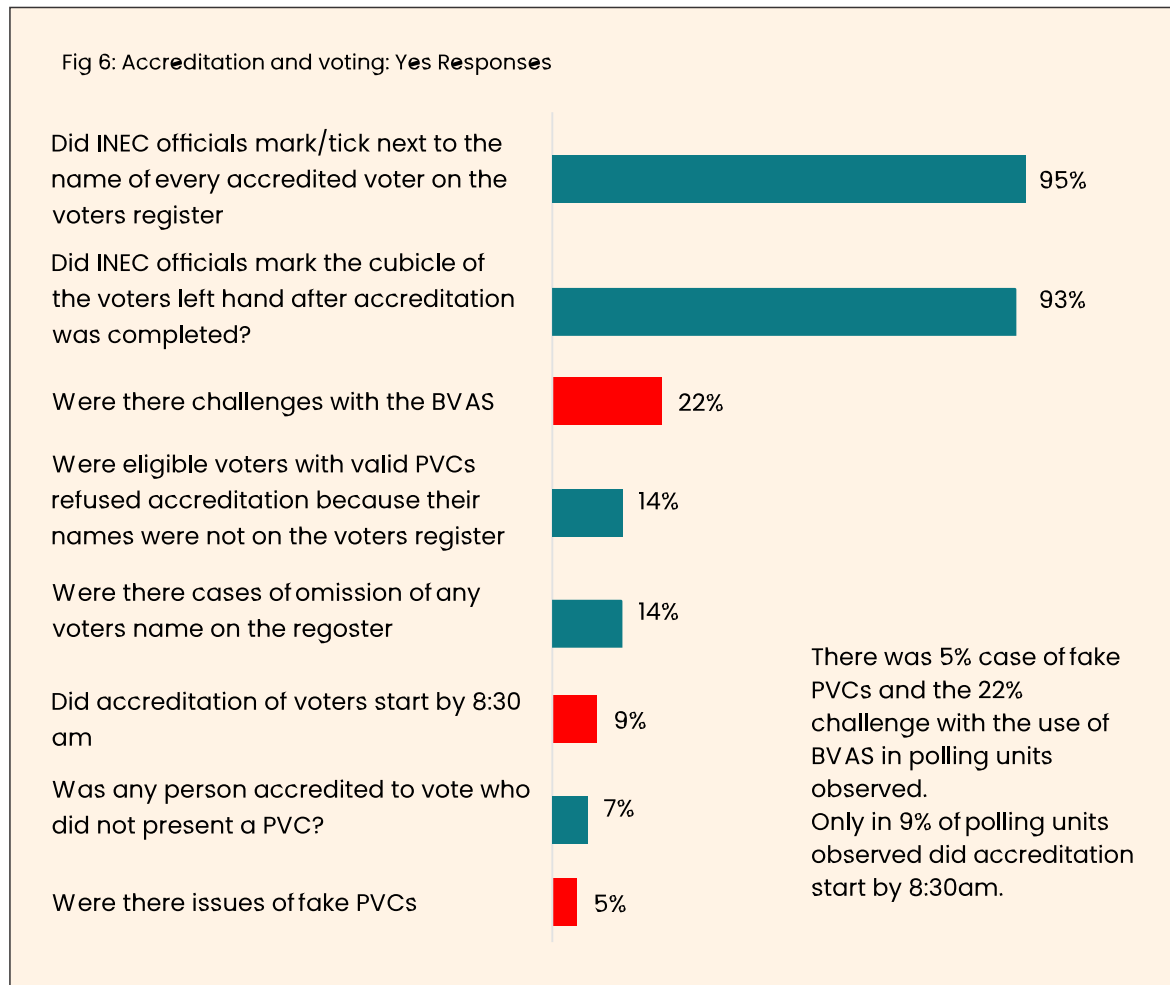
78% of the Polls did not open by 8:30am, as well.

Fig 5: Polling Units and Set Up: Proportion of 'Yes' Responses

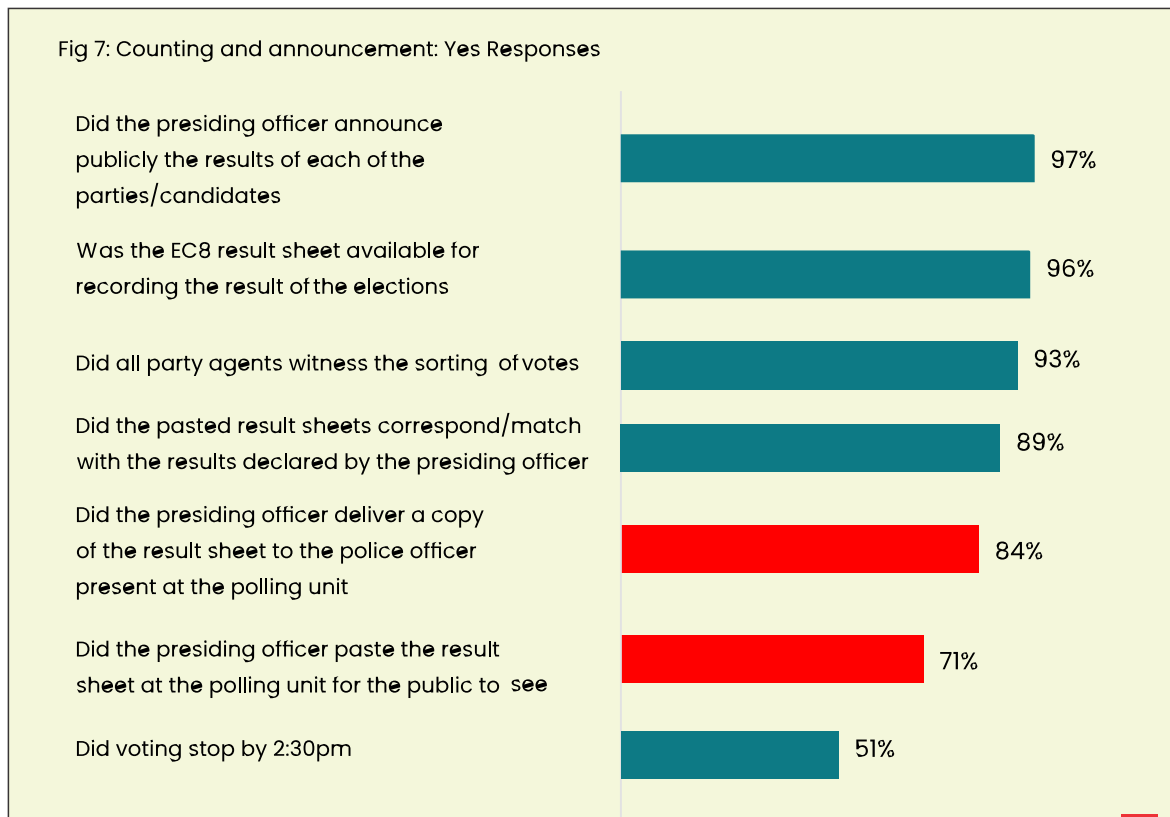




#### IV. Accreditation and voting

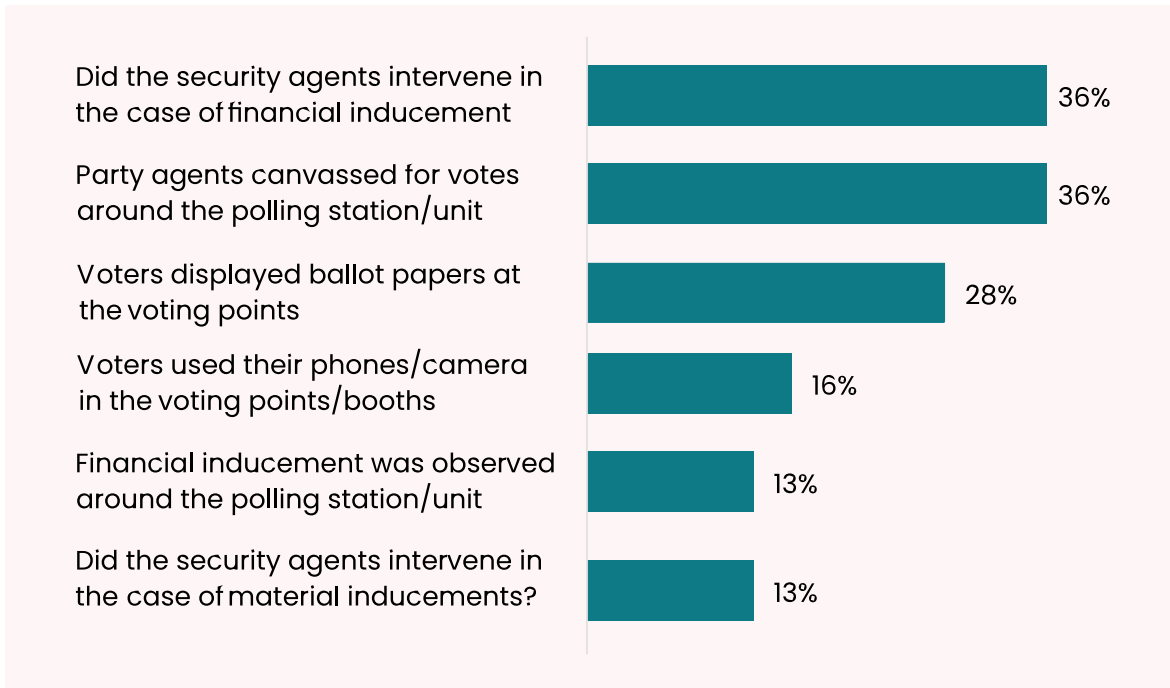


#### V. Counting and announcement



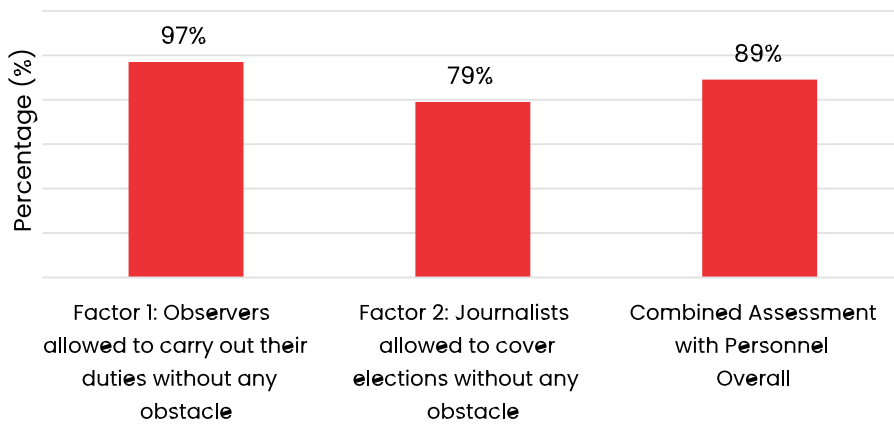
## VI. Vote Buying

Fig 8: Vote Buying: Proportion of Yes Responses



## VII. Personnel (Observers and Media)

Fig 9: Personnel



## VIII. Support for PWDs

Fig 10.1: Support for PWDs (Overall)

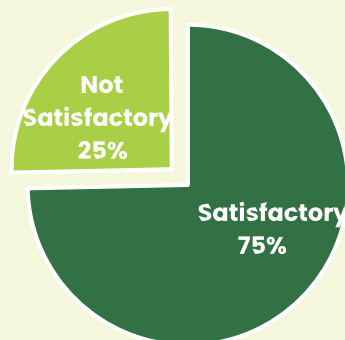
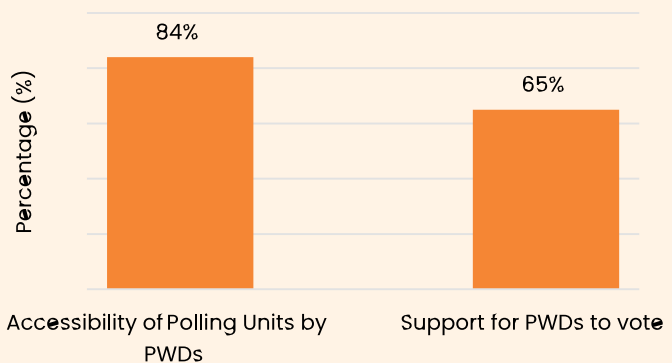


Fig 10.2: Support to PWDs (Component)



## IX . Violence, Disruption and Disturbance

Fig 11.1: Violence, Disruption & Disturbance

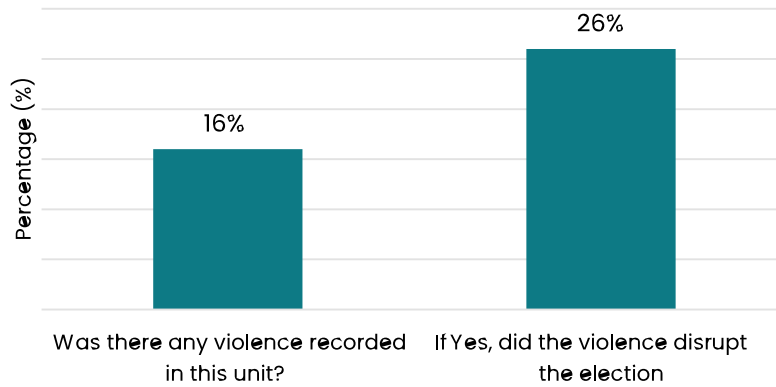


Fig 11.2: Violence Incidence (by State)

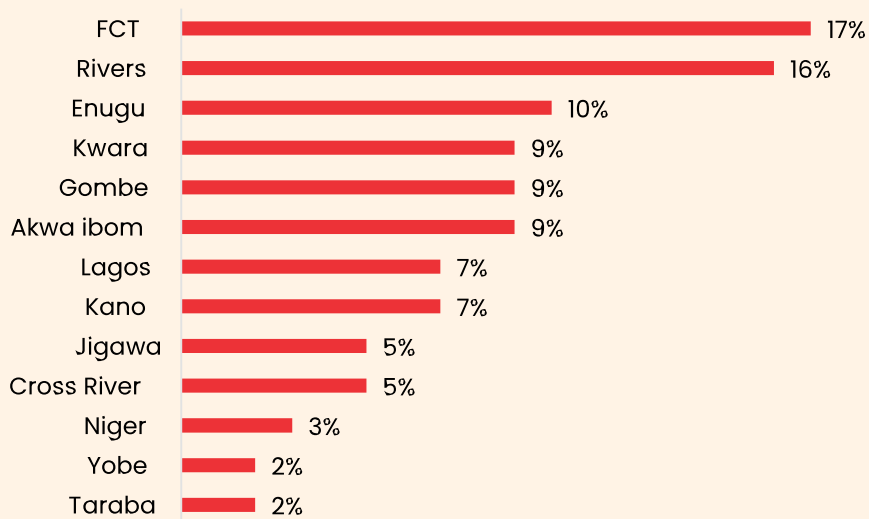
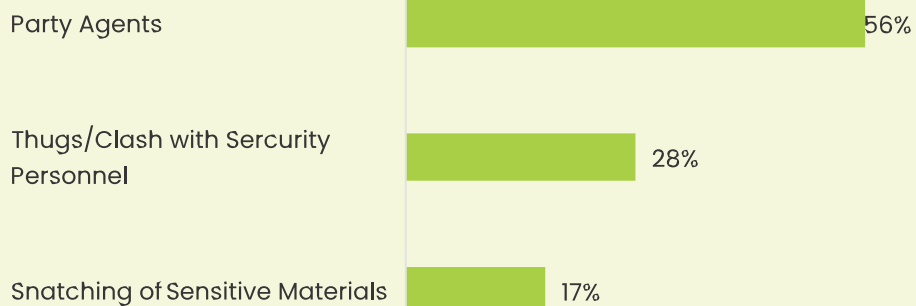


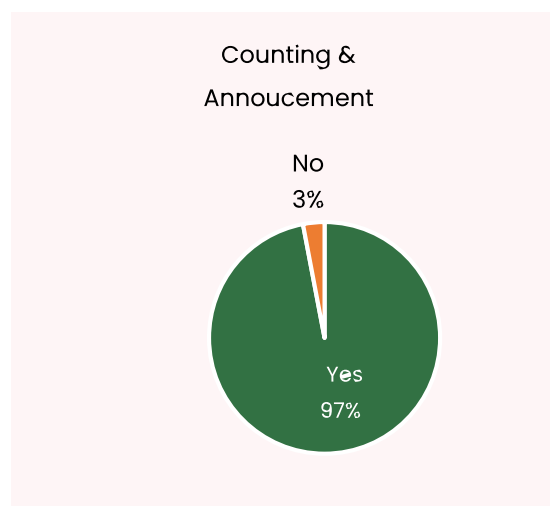
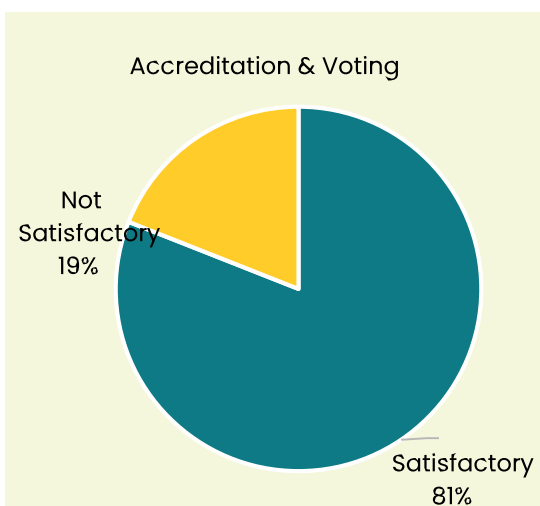
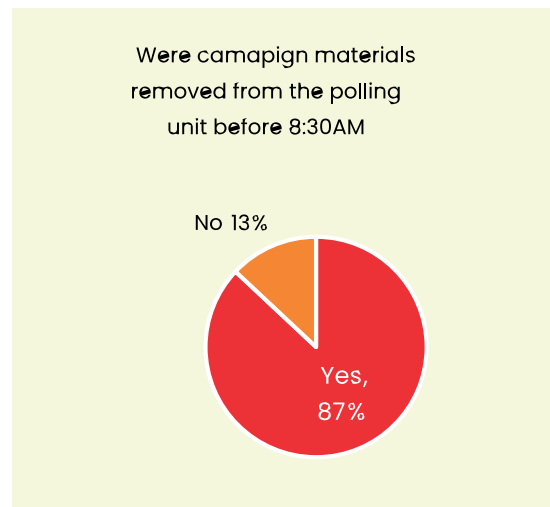
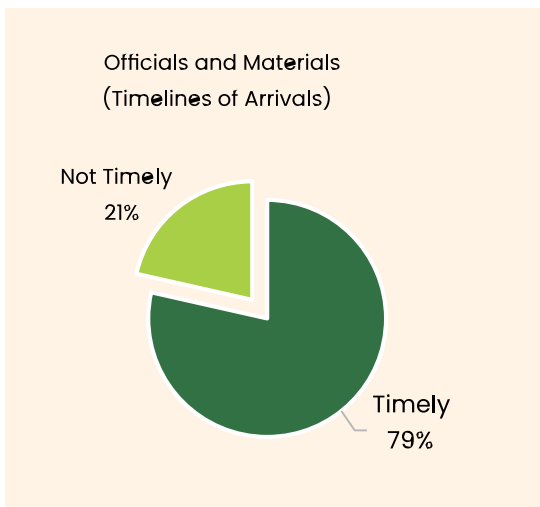
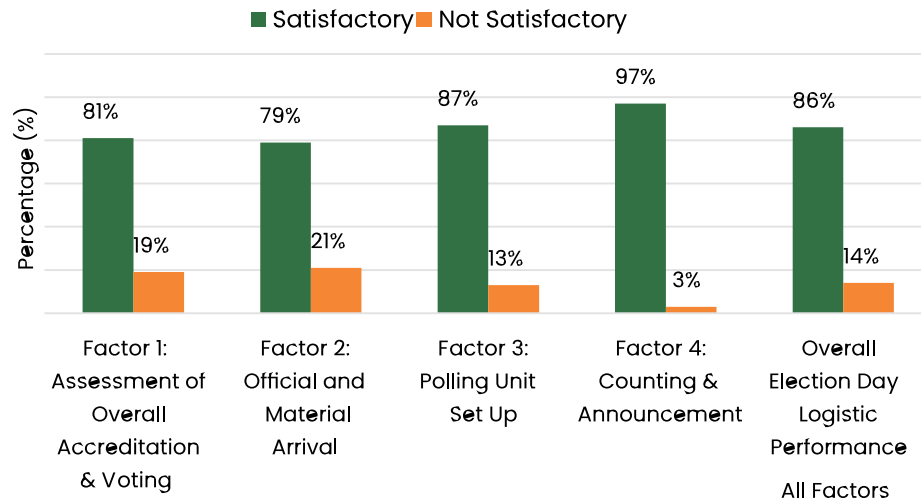
Fig 11.3: Types/Causes of Violence



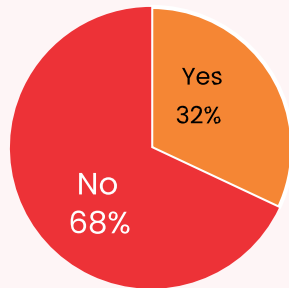
## C. GUBERNATORIAL AND STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY REPORT

There is improvement in overall logistic performance. In all Polling Units covered from 66% in the Presidential election to 86% in the Guber election.

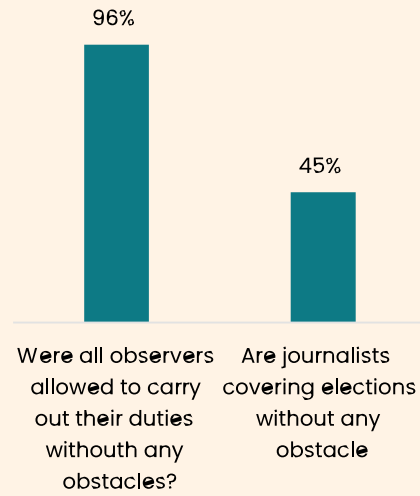
Overall Election Day Logistic Performance in the 2023  
Guber Elections



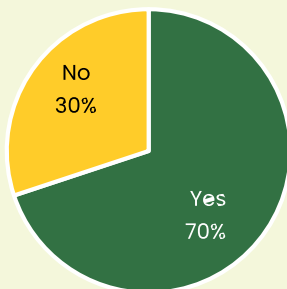
### Vote Buying



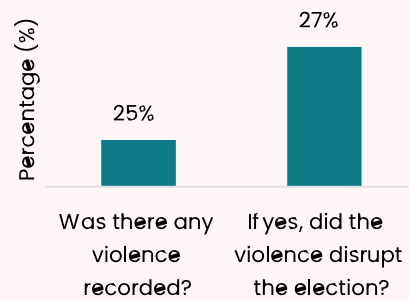
### Occurrence of disruptions in Polling Units Observed



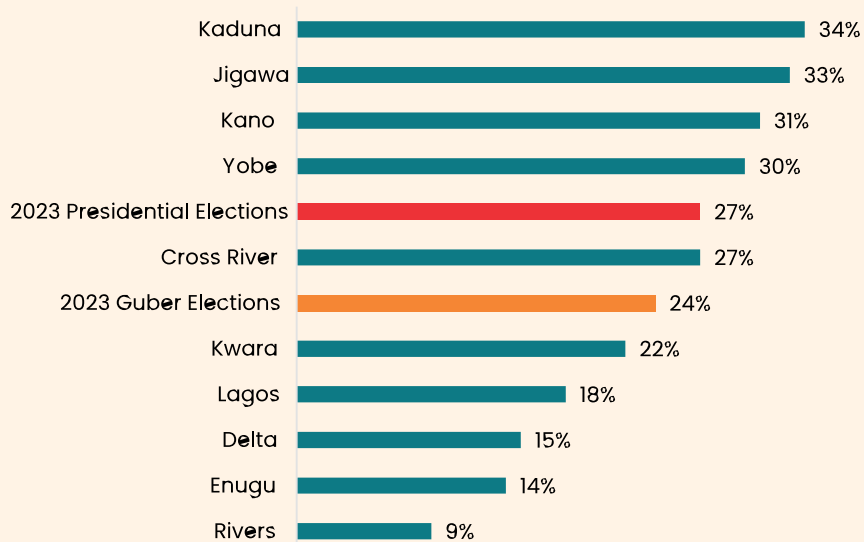
### Was there any support provided to PWDs



### Occurrence of violence and disruptive effect (Proportion)



### Voter Turnout (Guber Elections), 2023





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