

## CALCULATION OF SEATS FOR REGIONAL DEMOCRATIC COUNCIL

The number of elected members (seats) for Regional Democratic Councils vary across the 10 Administrative Regions.

Table below shows the distribution of Regional Democratic Council seats to be contested in each of the 10 Administrative Regions:

Region	1	2	3	4	5
Seats	15	17	27	35	18

6	7	8	9	10
30	15	15	15	18



## CALCULATION AND ALLOCATION OF REGIONAL DEMOCRATIC COUNCIL SEATS

The total number of valid votes cast is divided by the number of Regional seats for the respective RDCs to arrive at the quota of votes required for seat allocation. The preceding table is an example:

DISTRICT	TOTAL VALID VOTES CAST	BULLDOZER PARTY	ESCAVATER PARTY	LORRY PARTY	BULLDOZER PARTY	ESCAVATER PARTY	LORRY PARTY	HARE QUOTA PER GCS
1	8,834	4,350	3,500	984	7	6	2	589
2	23,556	15,911	7,010	635	12	5	-	1,386
3	56,213	6,350	38,640	11,223	3	19	5	2,082
4	175,834	75,784	87,339	12,711	15	17	3	5,024
5	28,579	13,300	14,050	1,229	8	9	1	1,588
6	66,236	18,220	45,008	3,008	8	21	1	2,208
7	6,879	5,090	1,011	778	10	2	2	459
8	3,415	1,954	1,057	404	8	5	2	228
9	7,608	2,106	4,700	802	4	9	2	507
10	18,761	2,730	14,890	841	3	14	1	1,042
Total	395,915	145,795	217,205	32,615				



**GENERAL AND REGIONAL ELECTIONS**

## **ELECTORAL SYSTEM AND CALCULATION OF SEATS**

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## ELECTORAL SYSTEM

The Electoral System to be used to conduct the General and Regional Elections is the system of Proportional Representation with an element of Geographical and Gender Representation.

Guyana is divided into ten Electoral Districts or Polling Districts, for the conduct of election for the President and members of the National Assembly. On that same day, election is also conducted to elect members of the ten Regional Democratic Councils (RDCs).

### CALCULATION/ALLOCATION OF SEATS IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Total Number of Elected Members (Seats) in National Assembly is 65, comprising a total of 25 seats from the 10 Geographic Constituencies and 40 seats drawn from the National “Top-up” mechanism.

Table below shows the distribution of Parliamentary seats to be contested in each of the 10 Geographic Constituencies:

Region	1	2	3	4	5
Seats	2	2	3	7	2

6	7	8	9	10	TOTAL
3	2	1	1	2	25

### ELECTORAL FORMULAE

The Electoral Formula to be used within Geographic Constituencies to determine allocation of the 25 seats from Geographic Constituencies to Parties in the National Assembly is based on the Largest Remainder – Hare Quota (LR-Hare).

The Electoral Formula to be used to determine allocation of the 40 “National Top-up” (Non-Geographic) Seats to Parties in the National Assembly is based on overall application of Largest Remainder – Hare Quota (LR-Hare).

### CALCULATION OF SEATS FOR THE NATIONAL TOP UP

The total number of valid cast is divided by the number of Parliamentary seat to arrive at the quota of votes required for seat allocation example.

DISTRICT	TOTAL VALID VOTES CAST	BULLDOZER PARTY	ESCAVATER PARTY	LORRY PARTY
1	8,834	4,350	3,500	984
2	23,556	15,911	7,010	635
3	56,213	6,350	38,640	11,223
4	175,834	75,784	87,339	12,711
5	28,579	13,300	14,050	1,229
6	66,236	18,220	45,008	3,008
7	6,879	5,090	1,011	778
8	3,415	1,954	1,057	404
9	7,608	2,106	4,700	802
10	18,461	2,730	14,890	841
TOTAL	395,615	145,795	217,205	32,615
HARE QUOTA	6,086	24	36	5

NATIONAL TOP UP	14	23	3
GEOGRAPHICAL CONSTITUENCY	10	13	2
TOTAL SEATS PER PARTY	24	36	5

## CALCULATION OF SEATS IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL CONSTITUENCIES

The total number of valid cast is divided by the number of Parliamentary seat to the respective Geographical Constituency to arrive at the quota of votes required for seat allocation example:

DISTRICT	TOTAL VALID VOTES CAST	BULLDOZER PARTY	ESCAVATER PARTY	LORRY PARTY	BULLDOZER PARTY	ESCAVATER PARTY	LORRY PARTY	HARE QUOTA PER GCS
1	8,834	4,350	3,500	984	1	1	-	4,417
2	23,556	15,911	7,010	635	1	1	-	11,778
3	56,213	6,350	38,640	11,223	-	2	1	18,738
4	175,834	75,784	87,339	12,711	3	3	1	25,119
5	28,579	13,300	14,050	1,229	1	1	-	14,290
6	66,236	18,220	45,008	3,008	1	2	-	22,079
7	6,879	5,090	1,011	778	2	-	-	3,890
8	3,415	1,954	1,057	404	1	-	-	3,415
9	7,608	2,106	4,700	802	-	1	-	7,608
10	18,461	2,730	14,890	841	-	2	-	9,231
TOTAL	395,615	145,795	217,205	32,615	10	13	2	