# ONLINE ELECTION SYSTEM

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# 1 Introduction

# 1.1 Background

The Online Election System project aims to revolutionize the electoral process, providing a user-friendly platform for voters and candidates. This web application strives to create a seamless connection between users, offering a feature-rich environment for candidacy registration, voter information, and secure voting. Advanced functionalities are integrated to ensure transparency, trust, and integrity of the electoral process within a digital framework.

# 1.2 Objectives

The objective of the Online Election System project is to revolutionize the electoral experience by creating an intuitive and accessible web platform. This system aims to simplify candidacy registration, provide comprehensive voter information, and facilitate a secure and transparent voting process. By employing robust security measures, ensuring ease of use, and fostering transparency, the project strives to enhance participation, engagement, and trust in the democratic process while offering a seamless digital framework for elections.

# 1.3 Scope

The scope of the Online Election System project encompasses the development of a comprehensive web-based platform facilitating candidate registration, voter information dissemination, and a secure voting mechanism. It includes the creation of user-friendly interfaces for candidates to register their candidacies securely, a database system for storing and presenting voter information, and the implementation of encryption and authentication protocols to ensure the integrity and confidentiality of the voting process. Additionally, the project involves creating administrative tools for system management, monitoring, and result tabulation while prioritizing scalability, accessibility, and adherence to legal and ethical standards governing elections within the digital landscape.

### 1.4 Features

### 1. User Authentication and Profile Management:

• Users can register and log into the system securely, manage their profiles, and modify account information.

### 2. Election Management (CRUD Operations):

• Admin has full access to create, read, update, and delete (CRUD) operations for managing elections.

### 3. Candidate Management (CRUD Operations):

 Admin can perform CRUD operations for managing candidates participating in elections.

#### 4. Election Results and Statistics:

• Admin can view election details, voter lists, candidate statistics, and check winners.

### 5. System Activity Logs:

• Admin can maintain logs of all activities within the system.

### 6. Voter Eligibility Verification:

• Admin verifies voter eligibility based on age, citizenship, and residence.

### 7. Multilingual Support:

• Users can choose their preferred language for the website interface.

### 8. Ongoing Elections Details:

• Users can view information about ongoing elections, including details and candidate lists.

### 9. Candidate Details and Voting:

• Users can access candidate details and cast their votes securely.

### 10. Vote Confirmation Receipt:

• Users can generate a receipt confirming their vote.

#### 11. Chatbot Assistance:

• Users have access to a chatbot for assistance or queries regarding the election process.

### 12. Profile Language Selection:

• Users can choose their preferred language for the website interface.

### 13. Password Modification (User):

• Users can change their passwords securely.

### 14. View Election Logs (Admin):

• Admin can access and view logs of all system activities related to elections and user interactions.

# 15. Voter Helpdesk (User):

• Users have access to a helpdesk for assistance during the voting process.

#### 16. Real-time Voter Status (Admin):

• Admin can check the real-time status of voters, including who has cast their votes and who hasn't.

### 17. Comprehensive User Activity Tracking (Admin):

• Admin can track and maintain logs of all user activities within the system.

# 2 Diagrams with Explanation

# 2.1 Use Case Diagram

The use case diagram illustrates the various interactions between users and the system. It provides a high-level view of the system's functionalities and the actors involved. Refer to Figure 1 for the visual representation.

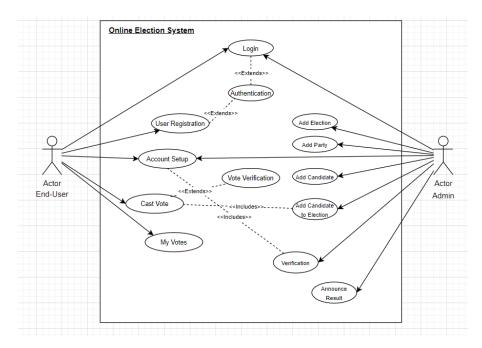


Figure 1: Use Case Diagram

# 2.2 Class Diagram

The class diagram models the system's structure by depicting the classes, their attributes, and the relationships between them. Figure 2 visually represents the class diagram.

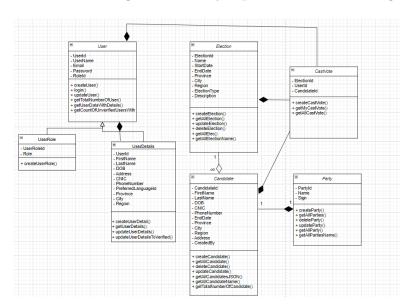


Figure 2: Class Diagram

# 2.3 Database Schema Diagram

The database schema diagram depicts the structure of the database, including tables, relationships, and key constraints. Figure 3 provides a visual representation of the project database schema.

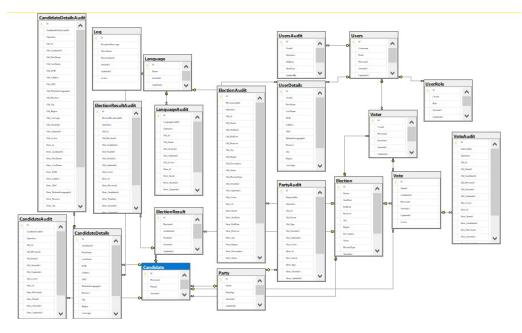


Figure 3: Database Schema Diagram

# 2.4 Sequence Diagram

The sequence diagram captures the dynamic behavior of the system by illustrating the sequence of interactions between objects over time. See Figure 4 for a visual representation.

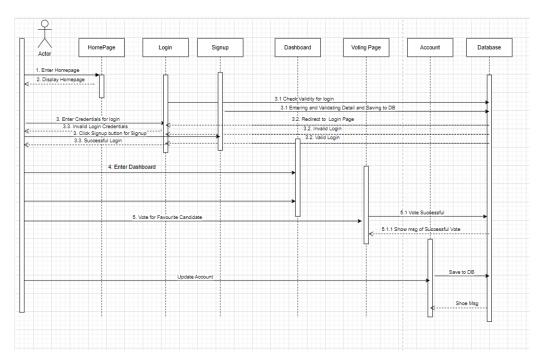


Figure 4: Sequence Diagram

# 2.5 DFD Level 0

The Level 0 Data Flow Diagram provides a holistic view of the system, showcasing the major processes and data flows. Figure 5 visually represents this high-level overview.

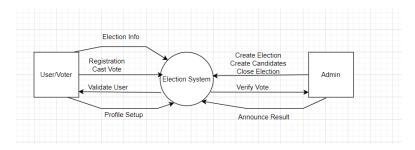


Figure 5: DFD Level 0

### 2.6 DFD Level 1

The Level 1 Data Flow Diagram delves into more detail, breaking down processes into sub-processes and illustrating the data flows between them. Refer to Figure 6 for the visual representation.

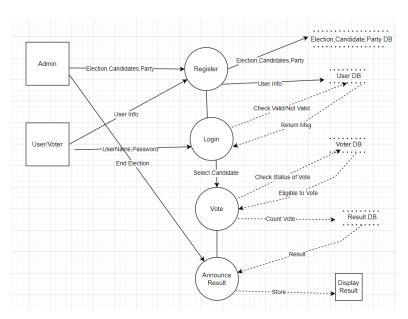


Figure 6: DFD Level 1

# 2.7 Architecture Diagram

The architecture diagram provides an overview of the system's structure and how its components interact. Figure 7 visually represents the architecture of the PakCars system.

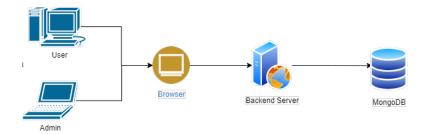


Figure 7: Architecture Diagram

# 3 Project Implementation Details

# 3.1 Best Practices Adopted

### 3.1.1 Naming Convention

The codebase maintains clear and organized naming rules to make code easier to read and manage. This involves using descriptive names for variables, functions, and classes. In JavaScript, consistency with CamelCase helps keep everything uniform across the entire project.

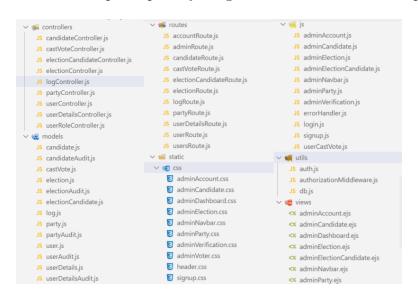


Figure 8: Naming Convention

### 3.1.2 Model-Controller-Route (MVR) Structure

The project follows a logical organization called the Model-Controller-Route (MVR) structure. This structure neatly separates data models (Model), data controllers (View), and API routes (Routes). By doing so, it improves code modularity and makes maintaining the project simpler.

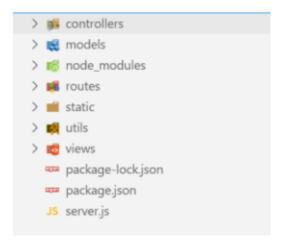


Figure 9: MVR

### 3.1.3 Commenting Guidelines

The codebase includes thorough and informative comments to clarify the functionality of different components. Inline comments help explain intricate algorithms, while block comments offer insights into the overall purpose of files. These comments foster collaboration among developers and enhance comprehension of the codebase

```
const getAllElectionName = async () => {
    try {
        const elections = await Election.find({}).populate('CreatedBy', 'UserName');

        // Mapping the elections to create an array of objects
        const formattedElections = elections.map(election => ({
            id: election._id, // Assuming _id is the ID field of the Election model
            formattedValue: `${election.Name},${election.ElectionType}`
        }));

        return formattedElections; // Return the array of objects
    } catch (err) {
        throw new Error(err.message);
    }
};
```

Figure 10: Comments Guidelines

### 3.2 Communication Tools

#### 3.2.1 Collaboration Platforms

Slack is used as the primary collaboration platform to facilitate real-time communication. Slack provides a centralized space for project members to communicate efficiently, share updates, and engage in discussions. Channels are organized based on project modules and functionalities, ensuring focused and effective communication.



Figure 11: Slack

# 3.2.2 Meeting Minute

Two meetings are conducted physically to address specific needs during critical project phases. These short and focused meetings aim to gather requirements and discuss key aspects of the project efficiently. The first meeting was dedicated to Requirements Gathering, ensuring a clear understanding of project objectives. The second meeting focused on discussing the final technology stack and, asking some queries.

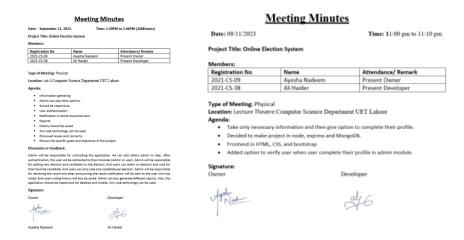


Figure 12: Two Meeting Minutes

### 3.3 Version Control

### 3.3.1 Git Repository Setup

The project source code is hosted on a Git repository, providing a centralized location for version control. The repository is structured with separate branches for development, testing, and production. Access controls are implemented to manage contributions effectively.

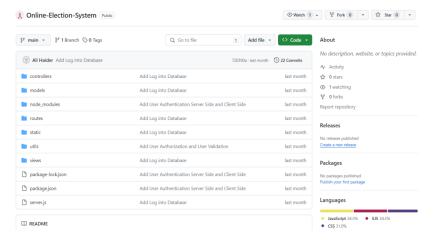


Figure 13: Github

#### 3.3.2 Commit Guidelines

A standardized commit message format is followed to maintain a clear and descriptive version history. Each commit message includes a concise summary of the changes, an optional detailed description, and references to relevant issues or tasks.

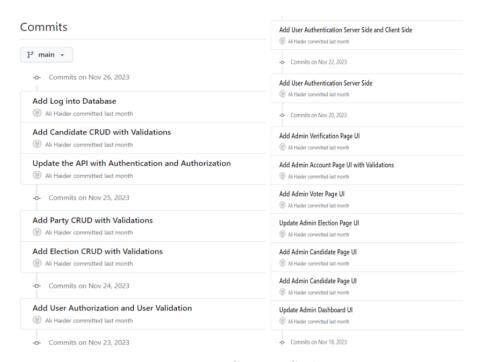


Figure 14: Commit Style

# 3.4 Project Management

### 3.4.1 Task Breakdown

Tasks are broken down into manageable units to facilitate efficient development. Each task is assigned a priority, estimated time, and responsible team member. This breakdown ensures a clear understanding of project progress and individual responsibilities.

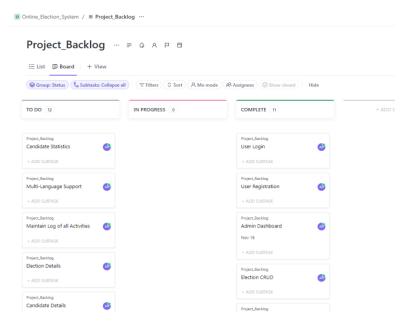


Figure 15: Clickup

# 4 Application Working

# 4.1 User Registration

### 4.1.1 Screenshot

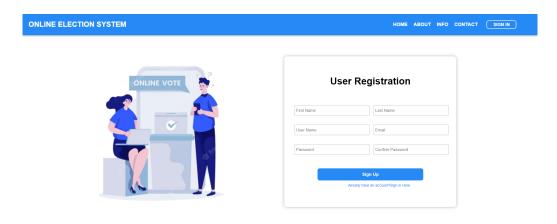


Figure 16: User Registration

### 4.1.2 Code Snippet

```
async function createUser(req, res) {
       const { firstName, lastName, userName, email, password, confirmPassword } = req.body;
       console.log(firstName, lastName, userName, email, password, confirmPassword)
       // Check if passwords match
       if (password !== confirmPassword) {
           return res.status(400).json({ error: 'Passwords do not match' });
       // Create a new user instance based on the User schema
       const newUser = new User({
           UserName: userName,
           Email: email,
           Password: password
       // Save the new user to the database
       await newUser.save();
       // const userId = newUser._id;
       const newDetails = new UserDetail({
           UserId: newUser._id,
           FirstName: firstName,
           LastName: lastName
        await newDetails.save();
        setTimeout(() => {
           res.redirect("/");
        }, 5000);
       res.status(500).json({ error: err.message });
```

Figure 17: User Registration

# 4.2 User Login

### 4.2.1 Screenshot

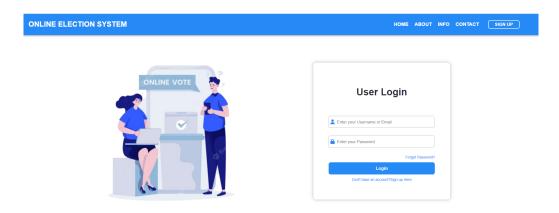


Figure 18: User Registration

# 4.2.2 Code Snippet

```
async function login(req, res) {
    const { UserName, Password } = req.body;
    console.log(UserName,Password)
        // Search for the user by username or email
const user = await User.findOne({
    $or: [{ UserName }, { Email: UserName }]
         if (!user) {
             return res.status(404).json({ error: 'User not found' });
         // Check if the passwords match
         if (user.Password !== Password) {
             // return res.status(404).json({ error: 'User not found' });
return res.render('LandingNavbar', { page: 'login', navbarButtonText: 'Sign In' });
         // If passwords match, generate a token
         //const token = GenerateToken(user);
         // Prepare response data with token and user info
         let responseData = {
             message: 'Logged in successfully',
         if (user.RoleId === 1) {
             // Redirect to admin dashboard
             user.Role = 'User';
             responseData.isAdmin = false;
             responseData.Role = 'User';
```

Figure 19: User Login

# 4.3 Admin Dashboard

### 4.3.1 Screenshot

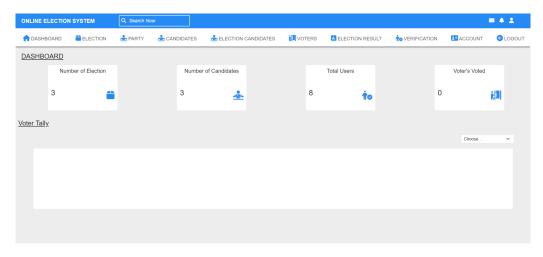


Figure 20: Admin Dashboard

# 4.3.2 Code Snippet

Figure 21: Admin Dashboard Code

# 4.4 Admin Election

#### 4.4.1 Screenshot

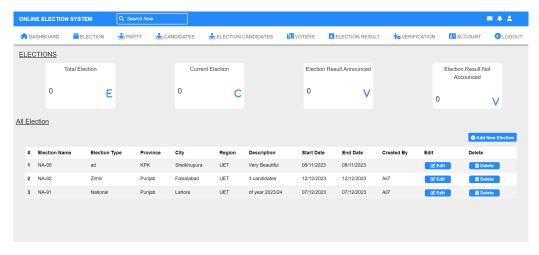


Figure 22: Admin Election

# 4.4.2 Code Snippet

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="/css/adminElection.css">
<section class="box-data">
   <h1 class="headingText">ELECTIONS</h1>
<div class="boxes">
      <div class="box">
         <div class="boxHeading">Total Election</div>
         <i class="fa-solid fa-e" style="color:  #2589f6; font-size: 30px;"></i>
         </div>
      </div>
      <div class="box">
         <div class="boxHeading">Current Election</div>
         <div class="Number-icon">
            0
            <i class="fa-solid fa-c" style="color: ■#2589f6; font-size: 30px;"></i>
         </div>
      </div>
         <div class="boxHeading">Election Result Announced</div>
         <div class="Number-icon">
            0
            <i class="fa-solid fa-v" style="color: ■#2589f6; font-size: 30px;"></i>
         </div>
      </div>
      <div class="box">
         <div class="boxHeading">Election Result Not Accounced</div>
         <div class="Number-icon">
            0
             <i class="fa-solid fa-v" style="color: ■#2589f6; font-size: 30px;"></i>
         </div>
      </div>
   </div>
```

Figure 23: Admin Election Code

# 4.5 Admin Party

### 4.5.1 Screenshot

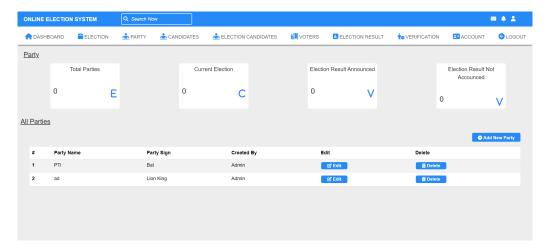


Figure 24: Admin Party

### 4.5.2 Code Snippet

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="/css/adminParty.css">
<section class="box-data">
  <h1 class="headingText">Party</h1>
   <div class="boxes">
     <div class="box">
        <div class="boxHeading">Total Parties</div>
         <div class="Number-icon">
           </div>
      </div>
      <div class="box">
        <div class="boxHeading">Current Election</div>
         <div class="Number-icon">
           0
            <i class="fa-solid fa-c" style="color: ■#2589f6; font-size: 30px;"></i>
         </div>
      </div>
      <div class="box">
        <div class="boxHeading">Election Result Announced</div>
         <div class="Number-icon">
           defined = 1000 //
p id="electionResultAnnounced" class="tNumber">0
            </div>
      </div>
      <div class="box">
        <div class="boxHeading">Election Result Not Accounced</div>
         <div class="Number-icon">
           0
           <i class="fa-solid fa-v" style="color: ■#2589f6; font-size: 30px;"></i>
         </div>
      </div>
   </div>
```

Figure 25: Admin Party Code

#### **Admin Candidate** 4.6

#### 4.6.1 Screenshot

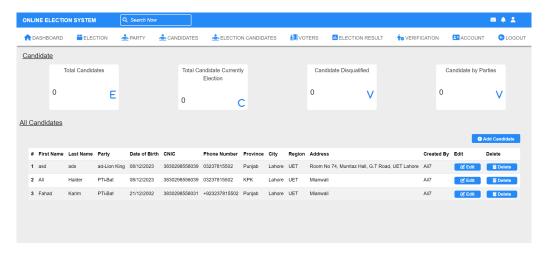


Figure 26: Admin Candidate

#### Code Snippet 4.6.2

```
k rel="stylesheet" href="/css/adminCandidate.css">
<div class="boxHeading">Total Candidates</div>

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    </div>
```

Figure 27: Admin Candidate Code

# 4.7 Admin Election Candidate

#### 4.7.1 Screenshot

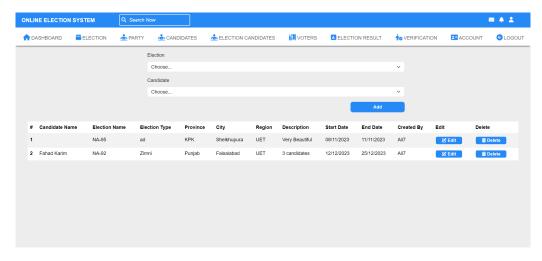


Figure 28: Admin Election Candidate

# 4.7.2 Code Snippet

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="/css/adminElection.css">
<section class="box-data box-data2">
  </option>
<% }); %>
         | | <% }); %>
</select>
<div class="invalid-feedback">
| Please select a valid Election.
</div/
      </div>
      <div class="col-md-12">
         </option>

<
         </div>
      </div>
<div class="col-12">
         </div>
      </div>
   </form>
</section>
<div class="tableElection tableElectionCandidate">
```

Figure 29: Admin Candidate Code

# 4.8 Admin Verification

# 4.8.1 Screenshot

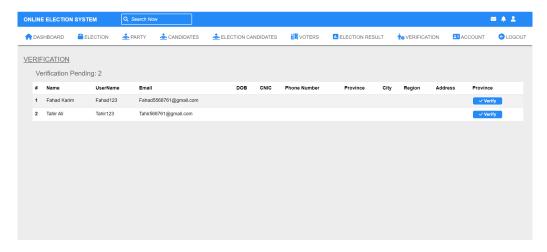


Figure 30: Admin Verification

# 4.8.2 Code Snippet

Figure 31: Admin Verification Code

# 4.9 Admin Account

#### 4.9.1 Screenshot

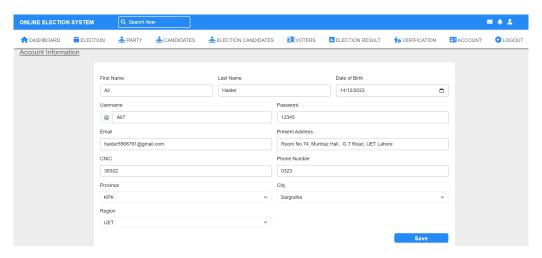


Figure 32: Admin Account

### 4.9.2 Code Snippet

Figure 33: Admin Account Code

# 4.10 User Dashboard

### 4.10.1 Screenshot

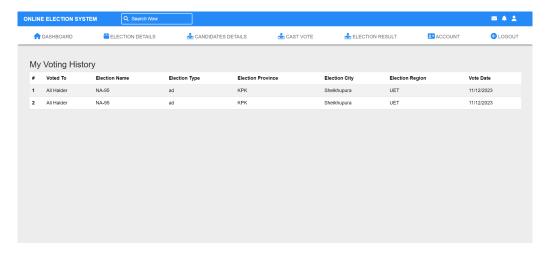


Figure 34: User Dashboard

# 4.10.2 Code Snippet

```
k rel="stylesheet" href="/css/adminElection.css">
<div class="tableElection tableElectionCandidate">
  <h3>My Voting History</h3>
  <thead>
       #
Voted To
Election Name

         Election Type
Election Province
Election City

         Election Region
scope="col">Vote Date

       </thead>
     <% votes.forEach((vote, index) => { %>
          <%= vote.ElectionId.Name %>
            <%= vote.ElectionId.City %>
            <% }) %>
```

Figure 35: User Dashboard Code

# 4.11 User Cast Vote

### 4.11.1 Screenshot

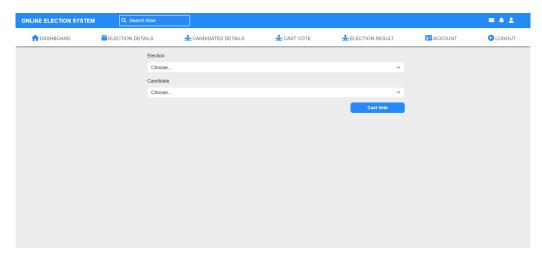


Figure 36: User Cast Vote

### 4.11.2 Code Snippet

Figure 37: User Cast Vote Code

# 5 Conclusion

Throughout our journey in crafting the Online Election System, we've achieved notable milestones. We've effectively integrated user registration capabilities, empowering individuals to register accounts and interact effortlessly with the platform. Our profile management system offers a personalized touch, enabling users to display and modify their details. Facilitating the creation and administration of election campaigns marks a pivotal addition to our system, enriching its capabilities. The introduction of a user-friendly dashboard and a dedicated area for overseeing electoral campaigns contributes to a resilient and user-oriented system.