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PRESS RELEASE

Majority of voters in Punjab wants PTI to complete its 5-year term and PML-N to adopt reconciliatory approach in politics

On almost reaching the three-year mark in power for PTI, the Institute for Public Opinion Research (IPOR) conducted an all-Punjab survey to gauge the feelings of the voter and gauge their perception on the current political situation.

Among many questions asked about the general conditions, issues facing voters and also performance of government and the opposition as well. The voters had a mix reaction on the situation, on the one hand, half of the voters (49%) were not happy with the rising prices of daily essentials and (57%) declaring things not heading in right direction, while on the other hand, despite all these problems, majority 52% of the voters said they are still willing to let the current government complete its 5-year term.

Voters were also asked “Thinking now about PTI’s government in Punjab, how would you rate their overall performance, good or bad?”. Majority 46% of the people in Punjab rated PTI performance as bad, however, PTI still enjoys support of a good 32% who are satisfied with their performance. While 20% rated PTI government neither good nor bad.

On the burning question of PMLN dual narrative, 61% of the voters said they support PMLN’s reconciliatory narrative according to which party should work with institutions/establishment and convince them to work within constitutional boundaries. Only 16% of respondents said they support narrative according to which strong position should be taken against the establishment’s interference in politics through protests.

It has been observed even in our previous polls, people generally are not in favor of rallies/ sit-inns ect, this also proved in this survey, when asked should PDM hold rallies again, the majority 64% of the respondents said PDM should confront the government inside the parliament and not through rallies and protests.

This survey report is based on the opinions of 7,076 respondents who were interviewed from June 11th to June 19th 2021 in all 36 districts of Punjab maintaining the actual Rural/Urban ratio. The Error Margin +/-2 percent, at 95percent confidence Level. 63% of the respondents were male, while 37% were female.

NOTE: Surveys and polls are a good way to judge the larger public opinion and this tool is extensively used in West to get a feel of the subject. The information in this report has been compiled in accordance with international standards for market and social research methodologies.