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60%

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12%

YES

NO

DK/NR

SOURCE: GALLUP & GILANI SURVEYS - SAMPLE SIZE: 1044
Nationally Representative Sample covering both rural and urban respondents across Pakistan’s four provinces.
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(GALLUP & GILANI PAKISTAN POLL)

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According to a Gilani Research Foundation Survey carried out by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan on the issue of India-Pakistan relations post Pulwama Attack (full report available at http://gallup.com.pk/pakistani-opinion-remains-calm-and-unprovoked-during-threat-of-war-with-india/), 3 in 5 (60%) Pakistanis oppose first strike in a nuclear engagement with India.

A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the four provinces was asked, “Should Pakistan initiate the use of its atomic weapons while at war with India?” In response to this question, 28% said that Pakistan should initiate while 60% said it should not initiate the use of atomic weapons while at war with India. 12% did not know or did not wish to respond.

Question: “Should Pakistan initiate the use of its atomic weapons while at war with India?”

Yes, 28%
No, 60%
DK/NR, 12%

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Field work conducted by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International Association

The study was released by Gilani Research Foundation and carried out by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. The recent survey was carried out among a sample of 1044 men and women in rural and urban areas of all four provinces of the country, during 02 March – 05 March, 2019. The error margin is estimated to be approximately ± 2-3 percent at the 95% confidence level.
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If you have any further questions regarding this poll, please feel free to contact us.

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