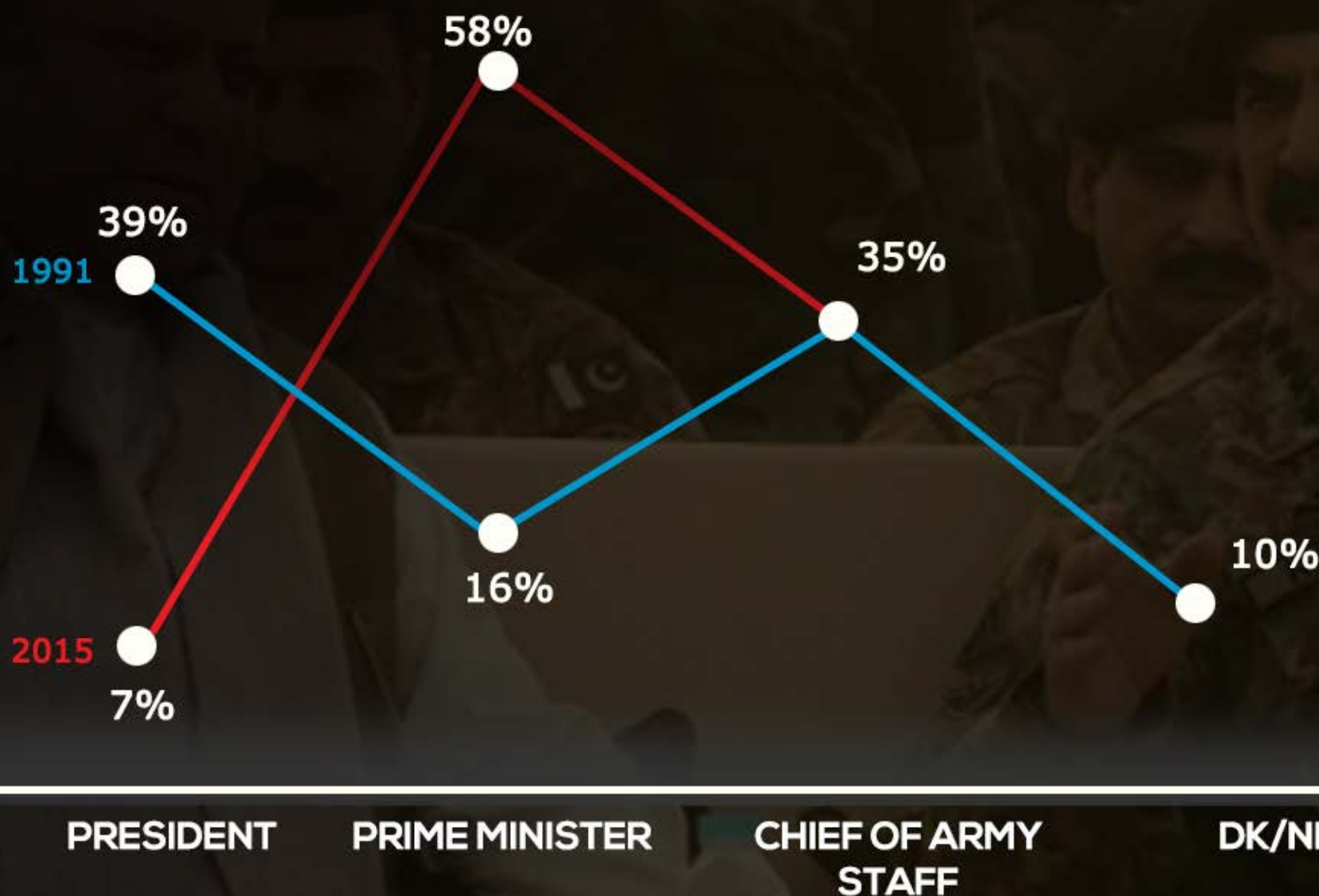


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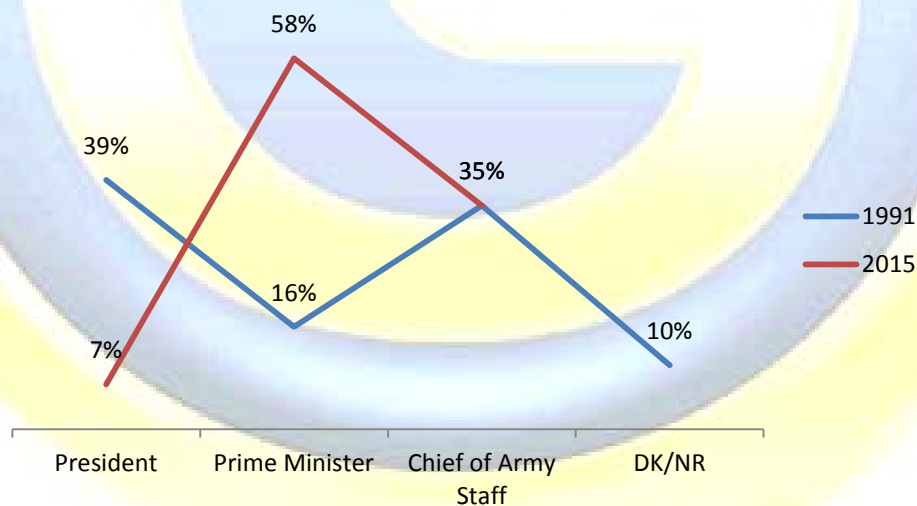
According to a Gallup Pakistan National Survey conducted in the year 1991 (25 years ago) respondents were asked which person they considered to have the most authority in Pakistan out of the President, Prime Minister and Chief of Army Staff. 39% mentioned President, 16% mentioned Prime Minister and 35% mentioned Chief of Army Staff. 10% did not respond.

**Comparative Picture:** The question was also asked in 2015 to enable a more holistic comparison. In 2015, 7% mentioned President, 58% mentioned Prime Minister and 35% mentioned Chief of Army Staff.

Public perception regarding perceived authority of the President, Prime Minister and Chief of Army Staff has shown a marked change between 1991 and 2015. During this time-span of 25 years, there has been a 42% increase in perceived authority of Prime Minister and a 32% decrease in perceived power of President. The perceived power of Chief of Army Staff has remained exactly the same at 35% in both 1991 and 2015.

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Bilal I Gilani, who is Executive Director at Gallup Pakistan and is Director of Gallup Pakistan History Project explains the aim of the Project as follows: ‘Gallup Pakistan has been polling in Pakistan since 1979 (over 35 years). During this time millions of Pakistanis have been surveyed by over a thousand interviewers of Gallup. In 2014, Gallup Pakistan has decided to release historical Public Opinion data and this Press Release is part of Gallup Pakistan’s History Project. This endeavor is dedicated to all those who hope for a more empirical understanding of Pakistani Issues. For more information about Gallup History Project, please contact [caf@gallup.com.pk](mailto:caf@gallup.com.pk).’

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