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TO VICTIMS OF EARTHQUAKE IN INDIA**

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According to a survey conducted by Gallup Pakistan 80% of Pakistanis supported the decision to send emergency relief aid to victims of recent earthquake in Gujrat India. Only 11% opposed it, while the remaining 9% did not give a view. The survey was conducted among a nationally representative sample of more than 1500 men and women, soon after the earthquake earlier this year. An analysis of the survey findings further shows that support for emergency relief aid to India, with which Pakistan has fought several wars during the last fifty years, cuts across various regions, social classes and political affiliations. The opposition to relief aid was however slightly higher among the older population, 14% of whom opposed it as compared with 9%, among under thirty years of age.

The respondents were also asked their views on whether the emergency relief aid would help improve relations between the two adversary countries. Thirty-nine percent (39%) of the respondents were optimistic and believed the relations would improve while 46% said there would be no difference; 3% believed the relations would further deteriorate and 12% did not give a response.

The survey was conducted by Gallup Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International among more than 1500 statistically selected men and women in both urban and rural areas of all the four provinces of Pakistan. The sample comprised a cross section of various income, education and geographic segments. The text of this report can also be seen on the internet at: www.gallup.com.pk.