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Gilani Research Foundation is headed by Dr. Ijaz Shafi Gilani who pioneered the field of opinion polling in Pakistan and established Gallup Pakistan in 1980. Currently Dr. Gilani, who holds a PhD from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and has taught at leading universities in Pakistan and abroad, is Chairman of Gallup Pakistan.

Support for Private and Public Schools; Views Are Split: GILANI POLL /GALLUP PAKISTAN

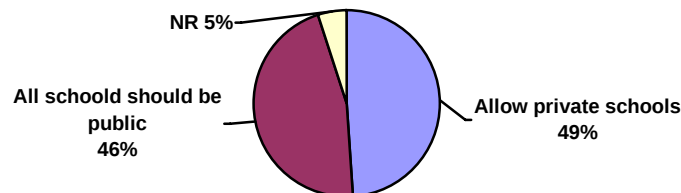
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According to a Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, there is an equal amount of support for both private and public schools amongst all Pakistanis. While 49% encourage private school system, 46% are for all educational system to be in the public sector.

A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked “*Nowadays there are several private schools running in the country. Do you think they should be allowed to continue running or should all schools be public?*” Forty nine percent (49%) said private schools should be given permission to run, while 46% believe all schools should be under the government. The remaining 5% gave no response.

The findings of the survey show that views of respondent from various demographics are equally split between those who support the continuation of private schools and those who only support government institutes.

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Source: Gilani Poll conducted by Gallup Pakistan,
the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International Association (www.gallup-international.com; www.gallup.com.pk)

The study was released by Gilani foundation and carried out by Gallup Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. The latest survey was carried out among a sample of 2753 men and women in rural and urban areas of all four provinces of the country, during October 2009. Error margin is estimated to be approximately $\pm 2-3$ per cent at 95% confidence level.

Gallup Pakistan proposes that its poll results be attributed as Gilani Poll conducted by Gallup Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. This is to distinguish our polls from polls on Pakistan sometimes released by other organizations not part of Gallup International Association (www.gallup-international.com) and referred to by the same title. Also please see necessary Disclaimer on our website (www.gallup.com.pk). Gallup Pakistan takes responsibility for only its own polls on Pakistan.

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