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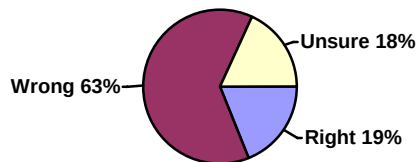
Views on CNG Crisis; Majority Opposed Two Days Off: GILANI POLL/GALLUP PAKISTAN

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According to a Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, almost two thirds of all Pakistanis (63%) are dissatisfied by the government's latest decision of having two days off in CNG stations while 19% think it is the correct decision and 18% claim to be unsure. Regarding the government's decision for having two days off for gas in industrial organizations 78% believe that by doing so, the productivity level of these organizations will be affected to a great or at least some extent, 9% think just two days for gas load shedding will not have a lot of affect, while 3% believe there will be no negative consequences at all, and 10% were unsure.

A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked "Government has recently announced two days off for gas at all CNG station. In your view is this a right or a wrong decision?" Nineteen percent (19%) are in the favour of this decision whereas 63% believe government has made a wrong move. The remaining 18% of the respondents were unsure. It is seen that a proportionately higher percentage of rural dwellers and men believe it is a right decision on he governments part for having two days off at CNG stations.

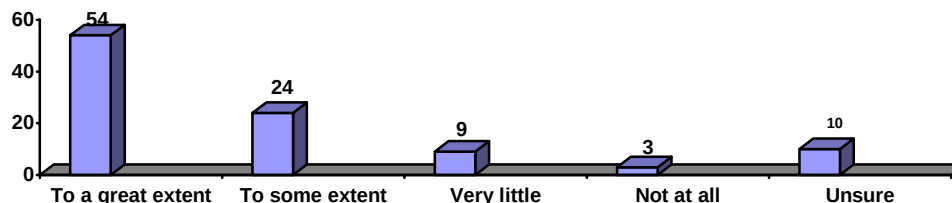
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In a follow up question the respondents were asked "Government has recently announced two days off for gas in industrial organizations. In your opinion to what extent will it affect the output of the industries?" Fifty four percent (54%) believe it is going to affect the output to a great extent, 24% cited to some extent and 9% believe it will have a very little effect on the output of the industries. According to 3% of the respondents two days off for gas will have no negative effect on productivity whereas 10% were unsure.

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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 2770 men and women in rural and urban areas of all four provinces of the country, during November 2009. Error margin is estimated to be approximately ± 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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