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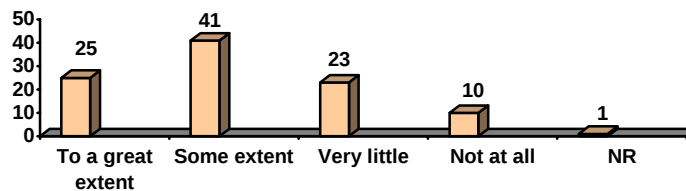
Views on Security Check-Posts Created in Various Cities; Majority is Reconciled: GILANI POLL / GALLUP PAKISTAN

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According to a recent Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, despite the inconvenience two thirds of all Pakistanis (66%) have reconciled to a great or a least some extent with the presence of security check-posts in various cities to counter terrorism, 33% appear to be not very happy or discontent with these check-posts and 1% gave no response. Majority (62%) complains that due to security check-posts it takes them longer to reach their destinations, 29% claim that they cause patients and elderly citizens to be stuck in traffic and 9% either claim to face other problems, or no problems or gave no response.

A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked *“To stop terrorist attacks, police check posts have been placed in various cities of Pakistan. To what extent are you satisfied with this step of the government?”* Twenty five percent (25%) said they are satisfied to a great extent, 41% claimed to be content to some extent, 23% cited very little while 10% said they are not satisfied at all. The remaining 1% of the respondents gave no response.

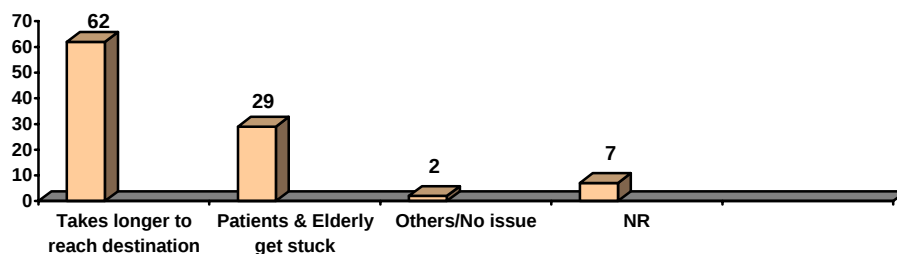
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the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International Association (www.gallup-international.com; www.gallup.com.pk)

To find out if these check posts create any problems, the respondents were asked *“What problems do you have to face because of these security check-posts?”* Sixty two percent (62%) complained that due to these check posts now it takes them longer to get from one place to another and 29% think that it creates unnecessary traffic jams due to which patients and elderly get stuck. Two percent (2%) of the respondents face other kind of problems or claimed to have no issues with the security check-posts and 7% gave no response.

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The study was released by Gilani foundation and carried out by Gallup Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. The recent survey was carried out among a sample of 2805 men and women in rural and urban areas of all four provinces of the country, during January 2010. 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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