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Majority of Pakistanis Believe Health, Education, Utilities, and Road Infrastructure are Improving: GILANI POLL /GALLUP PAKISTAN

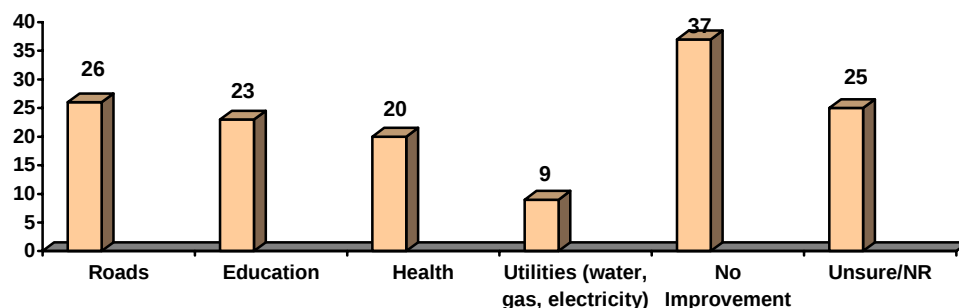
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According to a Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, despite the negative image of the performance of various institutions in Pakistan and low performance rating of their governments majority of Pakistanis believe that in the past one year there have been some improvements; 26% believe road infrastructure has improved, 23% said education sector has improved, 20% said health sector has gone better, and 9% believe that there has been some development in the field of water, gas, and electricity. On the other hand one third (37%) are not satisfied with any of these sectors.

A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked “*In every country there is a continuous struggle between good and bad things. We want to know whether there are any good things happening in our country or is everything only deteriorating. Please tell us which one or more of the following sectors have improved in the past one year?*” Twenty six percent (26%) believe that roads infrastructure in Pakistan has improved, 23% believe there has been improvement in education, 20% said health sector has improved, and 9% believe there has been some improvement in areas such as water, gas, and electricity supply. On the other hand 37% of the respondents believe there has been no improvement in anything in Pakistan and 25% either gave no response or were unsure.

The findings of the survey reveal that satisfaction levels are much lower in the rural areas as compared to the urban parts of Pakistan. It also noteworthy that a proportionately higher percentage of respondents above the age of 50 are more positive since they believe that there has been some improvement in all the above mentioned sectors of life.

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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 recent survey was carried out among a sample of 2772 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 $\pm 2-3$ 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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