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Views about Local Dispensary; 59 % are Not Very Satisfied: GILANI POLL /GALLUP PAKISTAN

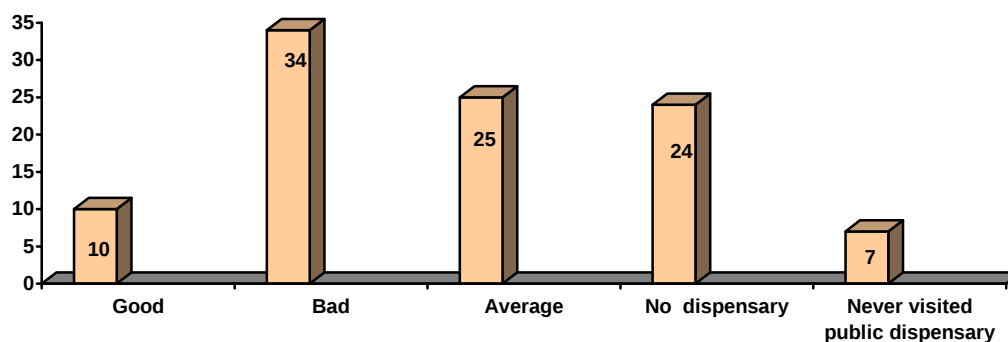
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According to a Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, majority of all Pakistanis are not very satisfied with the standard of public dispensaries in their local areas; 34% say their local dispensary is performing badly and 25% claim the standard of the dispensary in their area is just mediocre. Only 10% expressed contentment with the standard of public dispensary, whereas 24% claim there are no public dispensaries in their locality and 7% claim to never have visited any public dispensary.

A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked “*In your opinion how is the performance of the public dispensary in your area?*” Ten percent (10%) claimed the dispensary in their locality is good, 34% said it is bad, and 25% said that the standard of their local dispensary is just average. Twenty four percent (24%) claimed there are no dispensaries around their area whereas 7% said they have never been to any public dispensary.

The findings of the survey reveal that a higher percentage of ruralites (40%) as compared to urbanites (21%) complained about the standard of public dispensary in their localities. It is also seen that comparatively higher percentage of respondents from Sindh, especially urban Sindh (24%) expressed contentment with the performance of local dispensaries, whereas a higher percentage of respondents from Punjab (43%) said dispensary in their areas are in a bad state. The data also shows that a significantly higher percentage of respondents from Balochistan (81%) claimed there are no public dispensaries available in their area.

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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 2581 men and women in rural and urban areas of all four provinces of the country, during February 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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