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From The Editor

Dear Reader,

Gilani Research Team now brings

to you a collection of daily polls releases in the form of a weekly digest, which gives you the opportunity to read opinions of the Pakistani public on various socio-political issues.

We hope it will be of interest to you and your readers.

If you have any further questions in this regard, please feel free to contact us.

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83% Prefer Civilian Over Military Rule; However, Ironically More Than Half Do Not Trust The National Assembly (58%) Or the Political Parties (67%): GILANI POLL/GALLUP PAKISTAN

June 20, 2011



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16% Favor to be ruled by the Military, the Army as an institution enjoys high level of trust by 75% of Pakistan. The next most trusted institution of governance is the Supreme Court (62%). 41% of the people said they trusted the Lower Courts. Only 18% expressed confidence in the Police.



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

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Islamabad June 20, 2011

According to the results of a Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, a sizeable majority of Pakistanis stated that they do not trust the national assembly (58%) or the political parties (67%). This disillusionment with the current political setup is held despite the view expressed by 83 % of Pakistanis who say they prefer a civilian setup over military rule.



In a survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the four provinces were asked the following question: “These are some of the major institutions of Pakistan. Please tell us to what extent do you trust these institutions?” The results of the survey indicated that 58 % people did not trust the National Assembly and 67 % people did not place any trust in the Political Parties. On the other hand, 36% of the respondents gave a positive response and said they trusted the National Assembly. 29% people had a high level of trust in the Political Parties. In response to another question to make a choice between military-run and a civilian-run government only 16% favored military versus 83 % who favored a civilian option , and 1 % did not respond.

An expert at Gallup Pakistan had the following commentary to offer:

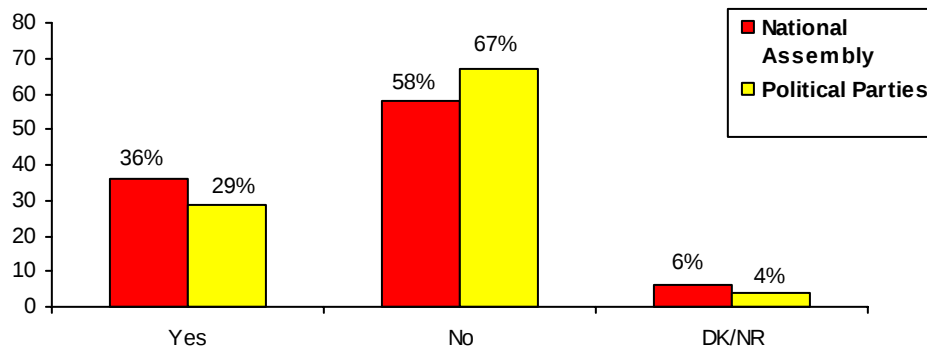
Survey findings reveal the complexity of prevailing political trauma in Pakistan. There is deep dissatisfaction with the performance of the parliament and political parties despite a remarkable consensus that “military is no solution”, a view held by 83% of the population. The commentator added: The problem is not unique to Pakistan though it is more acute compared to mature democracies. In most mature democracies the national parliaments and politicians enjoy low level of trust and yet their people prefer democracy and civilian rule over any other alternatives. As long as mistrust in parliaments and politicians remains under the red line, democracy is sustainable. When it crosses the red line, democratic setup becomes vulnerable to being brushed aside, without confronting popular resistance.

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The big question is: Is the mistrust in parliament and politicians spilling over the red line in Pakistan?

“Perhaps it is,” says the commentator, “and this is the reason why alternatives to democracy continue to surface on the political horizon.”

“To what extent do you trust these institutions?”



Source: Gallup and Gilani Surveys

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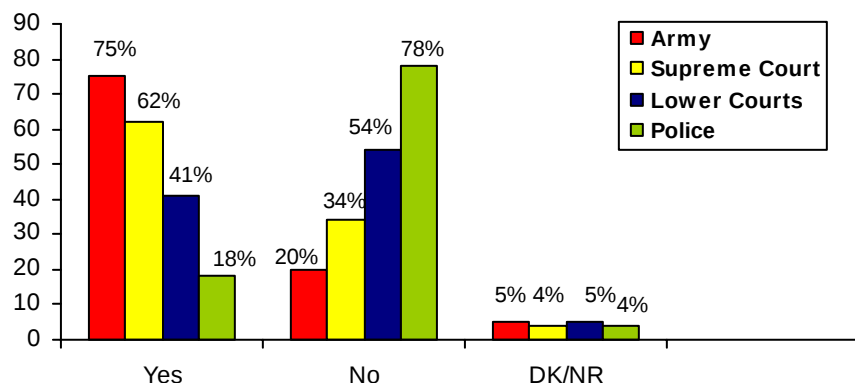
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In a survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the four provinces were asked the following question: “These are some of the major institutions of Pakistan. Please tell us to what extent do you trust these institutions?” The results of the survey indicated that 75% people trusted the Army and only 20 % said they did not. The Supreme Court was the second most trusted institution of governance with 62% saying they trusted it and 34 % saying they did not. Less than half (41%) of the people said they trusted the Civil courts whereas as 34 % said they did not. The most striking result was that only 18% people said they trusted the Police and a sizeable majority (78%) expressed mistrust in the Police.

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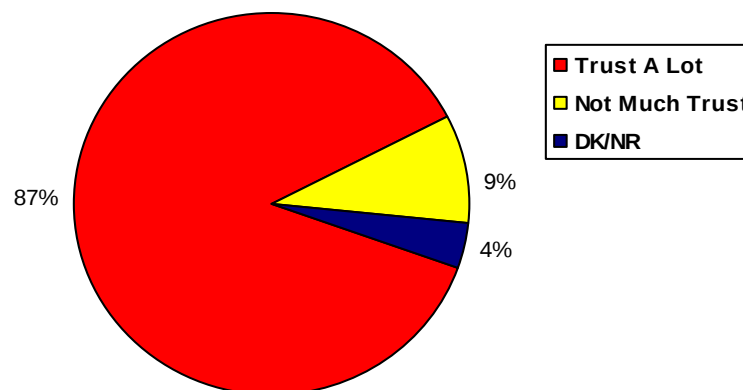
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A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the four provinces were asked the following question: “How much Trust do you have in China?” The results of the survey show that 87 % people put high trust in China whereas only 9% said they do not trust China. 4% did not know or gave no response.

“How much Trust do you have on China?”



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GLOBAL COMPARISON:

The results of another poll conducted by Gallup Pakistan as part of a global survey regarding China’s growing economic and military power show that Pakistani views in this regard are more positive than the opinion that represents the global average. 74% Pakistanis view China’s growing economic strength favorably as compared to the Global Average of 50%. Furthermore, while the global average shows that 26% consider China’s growing military power favorably, an overwhelming 61% Pakistanis view this as a positive development. (Referred in <http://www.gallup.com.pk/Polls/13-4-11.pdf>)

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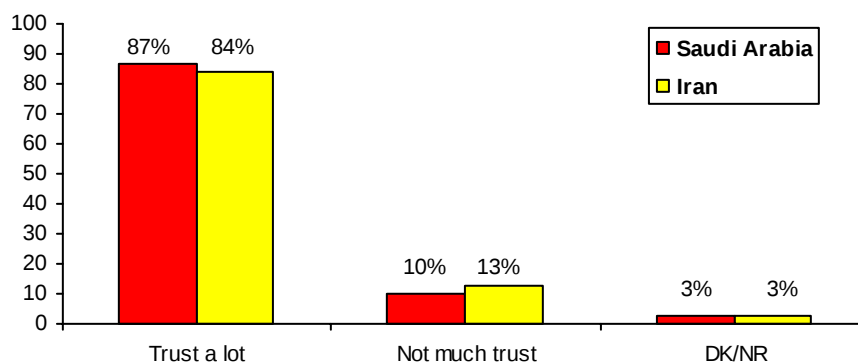
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A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the four provinces were asked the following question: “How much Trust do you have in these countries?” The results of the survey indicated that 87 % people and 84 % people trusted Saudi Arabia and Iran respectively. Less than 15% people showed apprehension and said they did not trust Saudi Arabia (10%) or Iran (13%). 3 % people did not know or chose not to respond to the question. Interestingly the different sectarian orientation of the two states (Sunni and Shia) do not influence sentiments of trust in them as a state.

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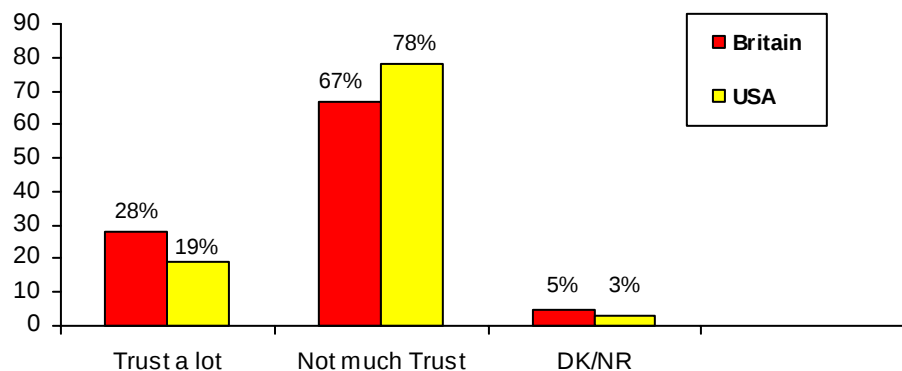
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