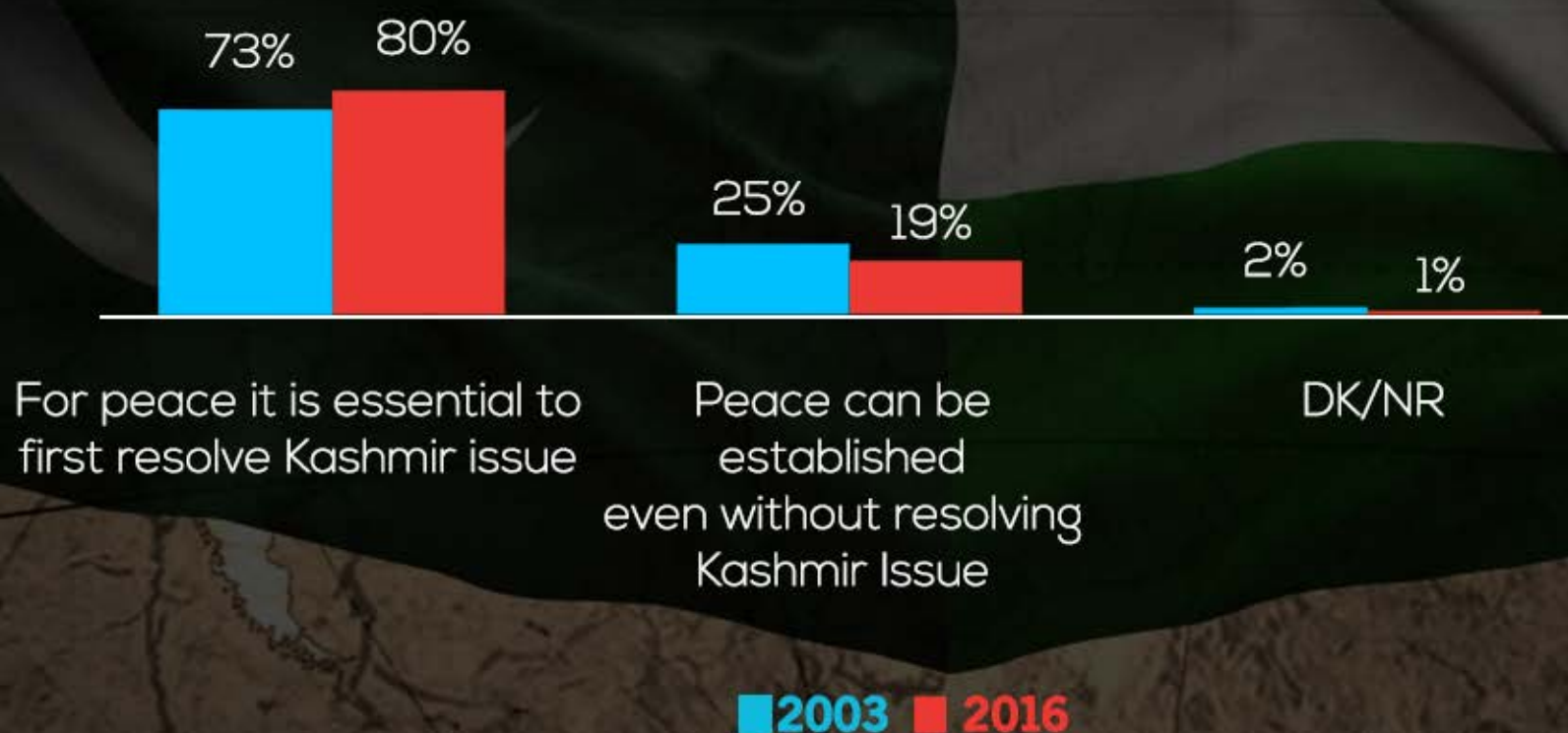


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INDIA Kashmir

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According to a Gallup Pakistan National Survey conducted in the year 2003 (13 years ago) respondents were asked, “In your opinion, to establish peace with India is it essential to first resolve Kashmir issue or can peace be established with India even without it” To this, 73% said it is essential to resolve Kashmir issue for peace, while 25% said peace can be established without resolving Kashmir issue. 2% did not know or did not wish to respond.

Comparative Picture: The question was asked again in 2016 to enable a concrete comparison. In 2016, 80% said it is essential to resolve Kashmir issue for peace, while 19% said peace can be established without resolving Kashmir issue. 1% did not know or did not wish to respond.

Of the 19% who believe peace can be established with India even without resolving Kashmir issue, 15% are males and 24% are females; 15% reside in rural area, 27% in urban area. Provincially, 20% are residents of Punjab, 26% Sindh, 10% KPK and 5% Balochistan.

According to public opinion, there has been a 7% increase in the proportion of Pakistanis who believe for peace to be established between India and Pakistan it is essential to first resolve Kashmir issue and a 6% decrease in the proportion of Pakistanis who believe peace can be established even without resolving Kashmir issue.

This press release has been made as part of the Gallup Pakistan History Project which aims to release historical empirical polling data to wider audiences. The objective is to sustain and encourage empirical decision making in Pakistan.

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Aim and Rationale for Gallup Pakistan History Project

Bilal I Gilani, who is Executive Director at Gallup Pakistan and is Director of Gallup Pakistan History Project explains the aim of the Project as follows: ‘Gallup Pakistan has been polling in Pakistan since 1979 (over 35 years). During this time millions of Pakistanis have been surveyed by over a thousand interviewers of Gallup. In 2014, Gallup Pakistan has decided to release historical Public Opinion data and this Press Release is part of Gallup Pakistan’s History Project. This endeavor is dedicated to all those who hope for a more empirical understanding of Pakistani Issues. For more information about Gallup History Project, please contact caf@gallup.com.pk.’

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If you have any further questions regarding this poll, please feel free to contact us.

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