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**Near majority of Tehreek-e-Labbaik Pakistan voters in Gallup Exit Poll Survey said they had voted for PML-N in General Election 2013.
(Gallup Pakistan Exit Poll 2018)**

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The dramatic rise of Tehreek-e-Labbaik Pakistan (TLP) in General Election 2018 has surprised many, as the party emerged as fifth largest party in vote count at national level; third largest in Punjab.

The tables below show the Election Commission data for popular vote in national vote count as well as in Punjab.

Table 1.1: National Vote Count and Share in Percentages

National Position	Party	Total Votes	Share
1	Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf	16,851,240	32%
2	Pakistan Muslim League (N)	12,896,356	24%
3	Pakistan Peoples Party Parliamentarians	6,901,675	13%
4	Independent	6,018,291	11%
5	Muttahida Majlis-e-Amal Pakistan	2,541,520	5%
6	Tehreek-e-Labbaik Pakistan	2,231,697	4%
7	Grand Democratic Alliance	1,257,354	2%
8	Awami National Party	808,229	2%
9	Muttahida Qaumi Movement Pakistan	729,767	1%
10	All Others	2,625,157	5%
Total		52,861,286	100%

Table 1.2: Punjab Vote Count and Share in Percentages

Position in Punjab	Party	Total Votes	Share
1	Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf	11,141,139	34%
2	Pakistan Muslim League (N)	10,516,446	32%
3	Independent	6,186,779	19%
4	Tehreek-e-Labbaik Pakistan	1,876,265	6%
5	Pakistan Peoples Party Parliamentarians	1,784,513	5%
6	Muttahida Majlis-e-Amal Pakistan	442,029	1%
7	Pakistan Muslim League	391,451	1%
8	Allah-o-Akbar Tehreek	233,703	1%
9	All Others	536,238	2%
Total		33,108,563	100%

Source: Election Commission Pakistan



Much speculation has happened which party these TLP voters (about 4% of the total voters of 2018 General Election) originally belonged to.

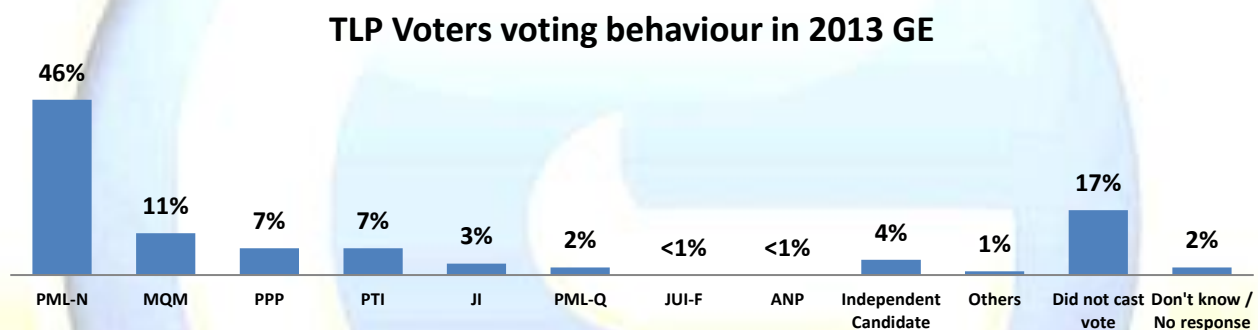
Anecdotal evidence based on the General Election 2018 constituency results showed that on many seats, TLP vote pushed PML-N to a second position and thereby is put forward as one reason for loss of PML-N seats.

Gallup Pakistan conducted an Exit poll in around 127 constituencies across the country, where it asked around 4000 voters as they exited the polling stations, who they voted for and why, along with multiple demographic and psychographic questions.

Responding to the question on who they voted for in 2013 General Election, 46% of TLP voters stated that they had voted for PML-N in 2013, confirming that rise of TLP is majorly explained by voters leaving PML-N and joining TLP.

Another way to look at the numbers is that between 2013 and 2018 General Election, PML-N lost around 9% of its vote bank nationally. Of this 9%, around 3-4% vote bank was lost not to PTI but to TLP.

Figure 1.1: Exit Poll Findings of Gallup Pakistan



Source: Gilani's Index of Electoral Record, based on Gallup Exit Poll data computed by Gallup Pakistan

It is also worth pointing that among those who actually did cast their vote in 2013 (leaving aside 17% who did not cast vote and 2% who did not respond), TLP voters who voted for PML-N in 2013 crosses 50%.

The second biggest loser because of electoral rise of TLP is MQM, as 11% of TLP GE 2018 voters stated they had given vote to MQM. In Karachi, ECP data shows that TLP showed impressive performance in Karachi and had around 12% of all votes, showing better performance than PML-N (8% of Karachi votes) and PSP (with less than 5% of votes).



Gallup Pakistan Electoral Repository: An Introduction

The Gallup Pakistan Electoral Repository is comprised of the following sources:

1. Election Commission data on past 10 elections in Pakistan, available over each constituency. This data was acquired from Election Commission website and converted into digital database in SPSS form and is now referred to as Gilani Index of Electoral Record.
2. Gallup Exit Polls for every election since 1985.
3. Gallup pre and post-election survey record since 1985
4. Analysis by Dr. Ijaz Shafi Gilani on elections piece by piece, as well as in combined form.

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<http://gallup.com.pk/polls/gallup-pakistan-digital-libraries/digital-library-pakistan-elections/>

For definition of Gallup Electoral Territories, please visit the following link: <http://gallup.com.pk/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/Gallup-Pakistan-Electoral-Repository-3.pdf>

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