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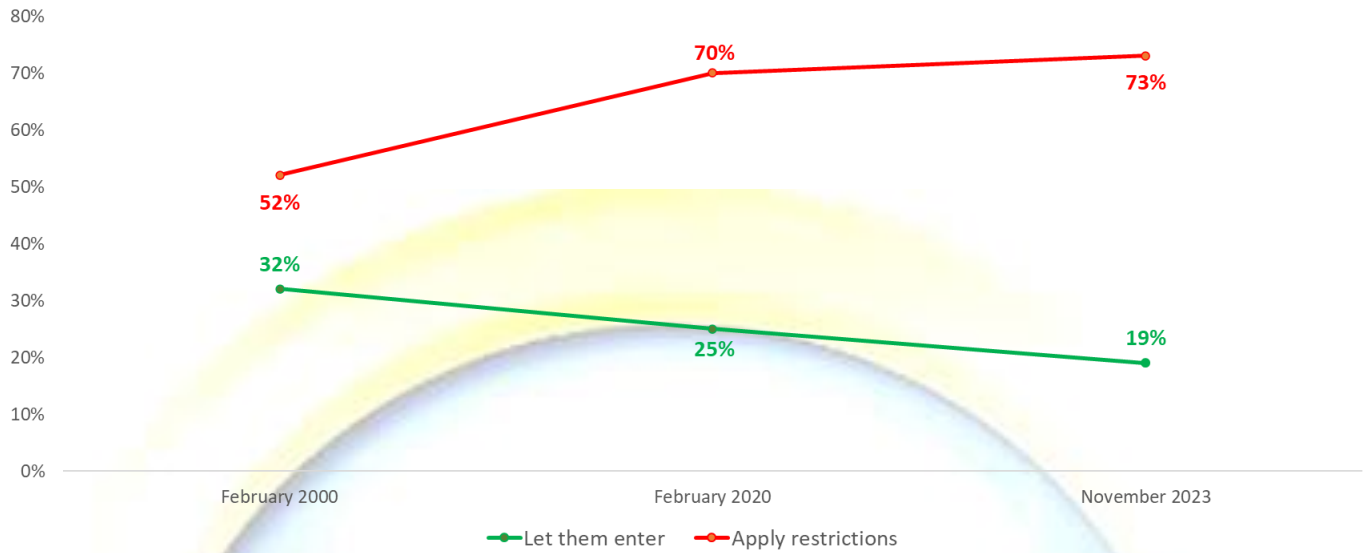
In a Gallup & Gilani Pakistan National Survey conducted in the year 2000, a representative sample of adult men and women from across Pakistan was asked the following question, “Some people are of the opinion that the Pakistani government should ban the entry of Afghan refugees. While some are of the opinion that they should be allowed to enter. What do you think?” In response to this question, 32% said they should be allowed to enter, while 52% said restrictions should be applied.

Comparative Picture: This question was asked again in 2023 to allow a comparison to be made across the years. In 2023, only 19% said they should be allowed to enter, and 73% said that restrictions should be applied on their entry.

Trend Analysis: The proportion of people who opined that Afghan refugees should be allowed to enter Pakistan decreased by 13% in the past 23 years since 2000, while those that think restrictions should be applied on their entry have increased by 21% in the same time period.

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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The study in Pakistan was conducted and released by Gilani Research Foundation and carried out by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. The recent survey was carried out among a sample of 752 men and women in urban and rural areas of all four provinces of the country, conducted during 1st – 4th November 2023. The error margin is estimated to be approximately $\pm 3\text{-}5\%$ at the 95% confidence level. The methodology used for data collection was telephonic surveys (CATI).

Aim and Rationale for Gallup Pakistan History Project

Bilal I Gilani, who is Executive Director at Gallup Pakistan, and the Director of Gallup Pakistan History Project explains the aim of the Project as follows: “Gallup Pakistan has been polling in Pakistan since 1979 (over 40 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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Gilani Research Foundation is headed by Dr. Ijaz Shafi Gilani who pioneered the field of opinion polling in Pakistan and established Gallup Pakistan in 1980. Currently, Dr. Gilani, who holds a Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and has taught at leading universities in Pakistan and abroad, is Chairman of Gallup Pakistan.

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

*Best Regards,
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