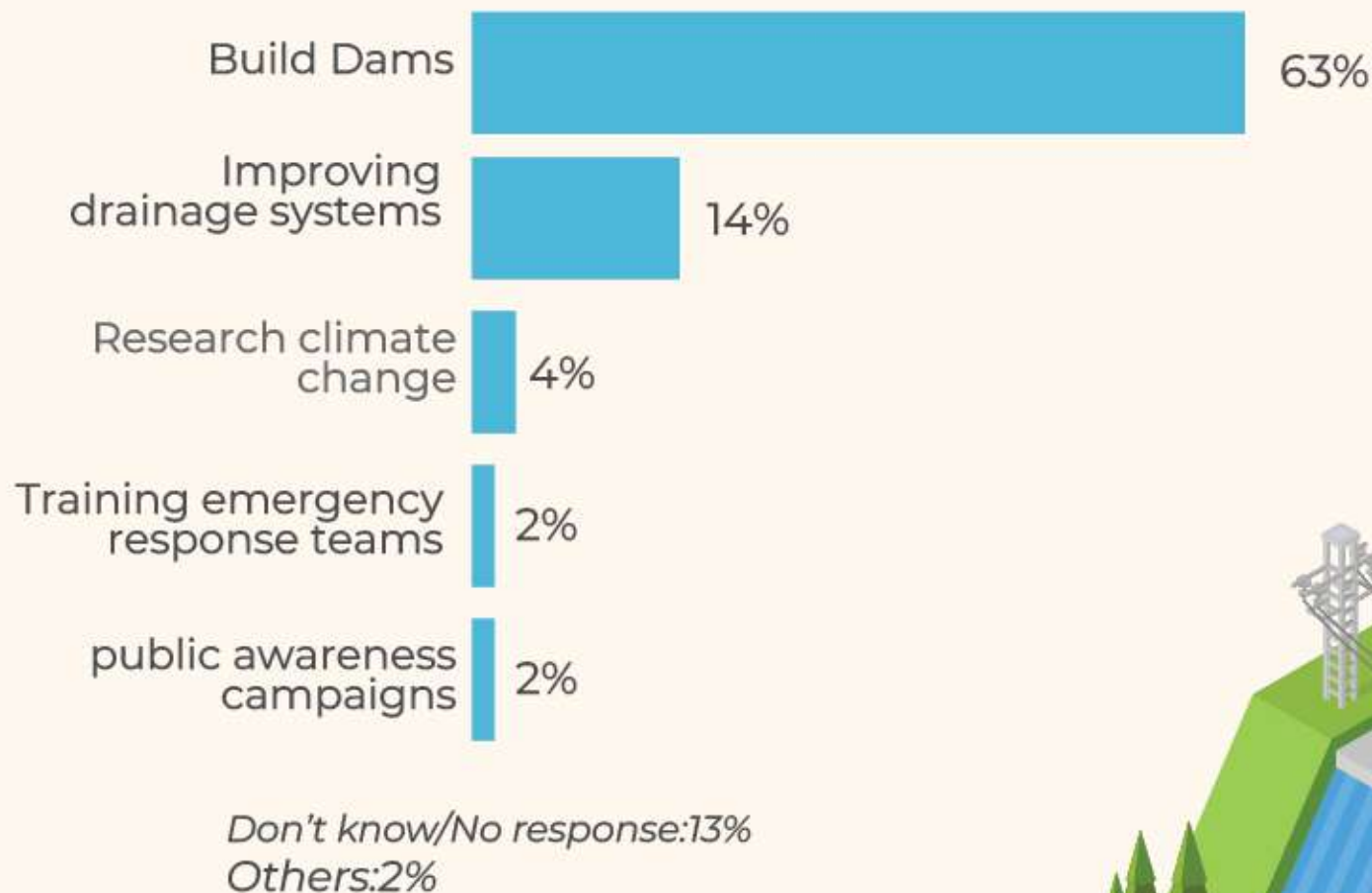


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A nationally representative sample of adult men and women across the country was asked the question, **“Which measures should the government focus on in the future to prevent floods?”**. In response, a decisive majority of Pakistanis (63%) believed that ‘building dams’ should be the government’s primary focus to prevent future floods. This preference for large-scale infrastructure far surpasses the support for other solutions. ‘Improving drainage systems’ is the second most cited measure, recommended by 14% of respondents. Other approaches—such as ‘researching climate change’ (4%), ‘training emergency response teams’ (2%), and running ‘public awareness campaigns’ (2%)—were mentioned by far fewer Pakistanis. An additional 2% gave other responses. Additionally, 13% of those surveyed either did not know or chose not to respond.

These findings highlight a strong consensus on the need for major infrastructure development, especially dam construction, as the preferred solution to recurring flood threats.

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The study in Pakistan was conducted and released by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. The recent survey was carried out among a sample of 753 men and women, in urban and rural areas of all four provinces of the country, conducted from September 12, 2025 to September 23, 2025. The error margin is estimated to be approximately ± 2 -3 percent at the 95% confidence level. The methodology used for data collection was telephonic surveys (CATI).



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