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V-REPORT: WHAT PEOPLE OF NOWSHERA DISTRICT SAY?

A survey was conducted in Nowshera district to gauge the opinion of people about past performance of PTI and trends in future election. This survey is based on a total of opinion solicited, during 1st week of June 2018, from 1,800 people selected at random from the entire Nowshera district, covering both rural and urban areas. The collected data were subjected to various statistical models to estimate the trends. The results indicate that 40% people reported good positive change in behaviour and 31% reported somewhat change in police behaviour. Nearly 57% reported reduction in bribery by police. Almost 50% respondents reported improvement in health services by the government dispensaries and one-third reported some change, indicating change towards the improvement of services in government hospitals. 32% respondents reported that health cards issued by the government are useful, whereas 33.1% reported that these cards are somewhat useful. Only 18.3% reported that the health cards issued by the government are useless. The new system introduced by the government has a much larger impact on improvement in government schools, in terms of presence of teachers and increased enrolment of pupils, as 65.4% respondents reported improvement and 22.7% reported somewhat improvement, only 7.2% reported no improvement. The PTI government has claimed that it has improved the local government system, which is evident in the form of higher response from people, who reported that there is an improvement in sanitation. Only 26% reported no change in sanitation services.

A question was asked to the respondents, to determine the voting trend to various parties. 54% respondents reported that they will vote for PTI, and 13.1% reported to vote for ANP, and 5.5% reported to vote for PPP. The share of voters by the other parties in Nowshera was negligible. However, a great number like 10% are indecisive, while 5.1% opted not to vote. A question was asked; which party will win the election 2018 in KP. Nearly 60% respondents reported that PTI will win the next election. The response in favour of ANP was 12.7%. Surprisingly, a small fraction of respondents reported higher chances of winning elections by the religious parties. The people were asked which party will win election at the national level. 44.5% respondents reported that PTI will win elections at the national level, only 9.1% voted in favour of PMLN. However, 36.1% reported that they don't know who will win the general election in Pakistan. The percentage share of votes for other parties was minimal.

Trends of voters of different age groups, sex and education level were also determined, where significant differences in trends were observed within each category. According to the survey, PTI is more popular in urban areas, among educated and young people. Clearly the above data indicates that in Nowshera district, the residents appreciate the work conducted by the previous government, and for the next elections PTI is the leading party. PTI has no competition with any other party, except, ANP in Nowshera or in KP, which may win federal / provincial seats. It should be noted that the opinion of people expressed in this report is as of first week of June 2018 and it may change as the situation evolves. As the election are nearing, new issues emerge and advocacy by individual candidates will influence the mind-set of people. Further, in our opinion bringing voters to polling booths is a different ball game and ultimately, this factor will play a major role. These results are based on the opinion of people recorded as it is during the first week of June 2018. Details can be shared on request about various categories of population.

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