

ASIAN BAROMETER SURVEY OF DEMOCRACY, GOVERNANCE AND DEVELOPMENT

Note: (NEW): [Added or revised item](#) **【GBS】** : [Global Barometer Module](#)

Interview No. _____

INTRODUCTION: Good morning/afternoon/evening. I am ___ from [name of institution]. We are conducting a public opinion survey in your area today. We are doing research on the views of citizens in [country] about how the country is governed and how the economy is managed. Every person over the age of 18 in our country has an equal chance of being included in this study. Your household has been chosen by chance. We would like you to answer questions about your personal views. The interview will take about 60 minutes. We will not record your name or any identifying information about you on the questionnaire. So no one will know who gave which answers to our questions. There is no risk to you in participating in the survey. There is also no benefit to you in participating in the survey. But if you answer our questions, you will help us understand how the public feels about issues facing the country today. Your participation in the survey is voluntary. If there are any questions you don't want to answer you don't have to answer them. And you can stop participating in the survey at any time. If you have any questions about the survey in the future, here is a card with the phone number of a person whom you can call at our organization's headquarters. He/she can answer any questions that you might have. Your assistance will be very much appreciated. Are you willing to start answering our questions?

A. ECONOMIC EVALUATIONS

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|----|--|--|
| 1. | How would you rate the overall economic condition of our country today? Is it ... (SHOWCARD)? 【GBS】 | Very good..... 1
Good2
So so (not good nor bad)3
Bad.....4
Very bad.....5
【Do not read】 Can't choose.....8
【Do not read】 Decline to answer9 |
| 2. | How would you describe the change in the economic condition of our country over the last few years? Is it ... (SHOWCARD)? 【GBS】 | Much better 1
A little better2
About the same3
A little worse.....4
Much worse.....5
【Do not read】 Can't choose.....8
【Do not read】 Decline to answer9 |
| 3. | What do you think will be the state of our country's economic condition a few years from now? Will it be ... (SHOWCARD)? 【GBS】 | Much better 1
A little better2
About the same3
A little worse.....4
Much worse.....5
【Do not read】 Can't choose.....8
【Do not read】 Decline to answer9 |
| 4. | As for your own family, how do you rate the economic situation of your family today? Is it ... (SHOWCARD)? 【GBS】 | Very good..... 1
Good2
So so (not good nor bad)3
Bad.....4
Very bad.....5
【Do not read】 Can't choose.....8
【Do not read】 Decline to answer9 |
| 5. | How would you compare the current economic condition of your family with what it was a few years ago? Is it ... (SHOWCARD)? 【GBS】 | Much better now..... 1
A little better now.....2
About the same3
A little worse now4
Much worse now5
【Do not read】 Can't choose.....8
【Do not read】 Decline to answer9 |
| 6. | What do you think the economic situation of your family will be a few years from now? Will it be ... (SHOWCARD)? 【GBS】 | Much better 1
A little better2
About the same3
A little worse.....4
Much worse.....5
【Do not read】 Can't choose.....8
【Do not read】 Decline to answer9 |

B. TRUST IN INSTITUTIONS

7-19 I'm going to name a number of institutions. For each one, please tell me how much trust do you have in them? Is it a **great deal of trust**, **quite a lot of trust**, **not very much trust** or **none at all**? (Do not read: Do not understand the question, Can't choose & Decline to answer)

(SHOWCARD)		<u>A Great Deal of Trust</u>	<u>Quite a Lot of Trust</u>	<u>Not Very Much Trust</u>	<u>None At All</u>	<u>Do not understand the question</u>	<u>Can't choose</u>	<u>Decline to answer</u>
7.	The president (for presidential system) or Prime Minister (for parliamentary system) 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
8.	The courts 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
9.	The national government [in capital city] 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
10.	Political parties [not any specific party] 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
11.	Parliament 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
12.	Civil service	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
13.	The military(or armed forces) 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
14.	The police 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
15.	Local government 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
16.	Newspapers 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
17.	Television 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
18.	The election commission [specify institution by name] <Optional> 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
19.	Non-governmental organizations or NGOs <Optional>	1	2	3	4	7	8	9

C. SOCIAL CAPITAL

20-22. On the following card, we have listed various types of organizations that many people belong to. Could you identify the three most important organizations or formal groups you belong to. You can also tell us the name the organizations that you belong to and we can identify the appropriate categories for you. (NEW) **【GBS】**

- 20. First Organization: _____ Code:___ (01~18)
- 21. Second Organization: _____ Code:___ (01~18)
- 22. Third Organization: _____ Code:___ (01~18)

Political parties	01
Residential & community associations	02
Religious groups.....	03
Sports/ recreational clubs.....	04
Culture organizations	05
Charities	06
Public interest groups (NEW).....	07
Labor unions.....	08
Farmer unions or agricultural associations.....	09
Professional organizations	10
Business associations	11
Parent-Teacher Associations or PTA.....	12
Producer cooperatives	13
Consumer cooperatives	14
Alumni associations.....	15
Candidate support organizations.....	16
Other occupational organizations (etc.).....	17
Other volunteer organizations	18
Not a member of any organization or group.....	90
Decline to answer.....	99

- 23. General speaking, would you say that “Most people can be trusted” or “that you must be very careful in dealing with people”? **【GBS】**
 - Most people can be trusted.....1
 - You must be very careful in dealing with people.....2
 - 【Do not read】** Do not understand the question.....7
 - 【Do not read】** Can't choose.....8
 - 【Do not read】** Decline to answer

- 24. Do you think most people would try to take advantage of you if they got a chance, or would they try to be fair? (NEW)
 - Most people would try to take advantage of you if they got a chance.....1
 - Most people would try to be fair
 - 【Do not read】** Do not understand the question.....7
 - 【Do not read】** Can't choose.....8
 - 【Do not read】** Decline to answer

25-27. How much trust do you have in each of the following types of people? (**Do not read:** Do not understand the question, Can't choose & Decline to answer)

(SHOWCARD)	<u>A great deal of Trust</u>	<u>Quite a lot of Trust</u>	<u>Not very much Trust</u>	<u>None at all</u>	<u>Do not understand the question</u>	<u>Can't choose</u>	<u>Decline to answer</u>
25. Your relatives 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
26. Your neighbors 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
27. Other people you interact with	1	2	3	4	7	8	9

28.	On average, about how many people do you have contact with in a typical week day? We are interested in contact on a one-on-one basis, including everyone with whom you chat, talk, or discuss matters. This can be face to face, by telephone, by mail, or on the internet. Please include only people you know.	0-4 people 1	5-9 people 2	10-19 people 3	20-49 people 4	50 or more people 5	[Do not read] Not applicable 0	[Do not read] Can't choose 8	[Do not read] Decline to answer 9
29.	If you have a difficult problem to manage, are there people outside your household you can ask for help? (NEW)	No, nobody 1	Yes, a few 2	Yes, some 3	Yes, a lot 4	[Do not read] Do not understand the question 7	[Do not read] Can't choose 8	[Do not read] Decline to answer 9	
30.	When people outside your household have problems, do they come to you for help? (NEW)	No, nobody 1	Yes, a few 2	Yes, some 3	Yes, a lot 4	[Do not read] Do not understand the question 7	[Do not read] Can't choose 8	[Do not read] Decline to answer 9	
31.	If you had friends or co-workers whose opinions on politics differed from yours, would you have a hard time conversing with them? (NEW)	Very hard 1	A bit hard 2	Not too hard 3	Not hard at all 4	[Do not read] Do not understand the question 7	[Do not read] Can't choose 8	[Do not read] Don't respond 9	

[Note: If the respondent indicates that he/she does not have any friends or co-workers holding differing views, then explain:
“Even if the person listed does not actually exist, please answer how you imagine you would feel.”]

D. PARTICIPATION IN ELECTIONS

32. In talking to people about elections, we often find that a lot of people were not able to vote because they were away from home, they were sick or they just didn't have time. How about you? Did you vote in the election [the most recent national election, parliamentary or presidential] held in [year]? **【GBS】**
- | | |
|--|---|
| Yes | 1 |
| No | 2 |
| [Do not read] Not applicable | 0 |
| [Do not read] Can't choose..... | 8 |
| [Do not read] Decline to answer | 9 |

33. Which parties (or candidates for president if it was presidential race) did you vote for? [country-specific response grid]

[DO NOT READ. Instruction: In a parliamentary election, if the respondent cannot associate the candidate he or she voted for with a particular party, the interviewer should take note and fill in the party for the respondent later.

- 33a. **[DO NOT READ. Instruction:** Based on the answer to Q33, please construct a new variable indicating if the respondent voted for the winning camp or losing camp. 1: Voted for the winning camp; 2: voted for the losing camp; 0: not applicable]

34-36. Thinking about the national election in [year], did you ...

34. attend a campaign meeting or rally?
- | | |
|--|---|
| Yes | 1 |
| No..... | 2 |
| [Do not read] Not applicable | 0 |
| [Do not read] Can't choose..... | 8 |
| [Do not read] Decline to answer | 9 |

35. try to persuade others to vote for a certain candidate or party?
- | | |
|--|---|
| Yes..... | 1 |
| No..... | 2 |
| [Do not read] Not applicable | 0 |
| [Do not read] Can't choose..... | 8 |
| [Do not read] Decline to answer | 9 |

36. Did you do anything else to help out or work for a party or candidate running in the election?
- | | |
|--|---|
| Yes | 1 |
| No..... | 2 |
| [Do not read] Not applicable | 0 |
| [Do not read] Can't choose..... | 8 |
| [Do not read] Decline to answer | 9 |

37. On the whole, how free and fair would you say the last national election was? (NEW) **【GBS】**
- | | |
|--|---|
| Completely free and fair | 1 |
| Free and fair, but with minor problems..... | 2 |
| Free and fair, with major problems..... | 3 |
| Not free or fair | 4 |
| [Do not read] Can't choose..... | 8 |
| [Do not read] Decline to answer | 9 |

E. ACCESS TO PUBLIC SERVICE

38-41. Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to obtain the following services? Or have you never tried to get these services from government? (NEW) (**Do not read:** Can't choose & Decline to answer)

	<u>Very Easy</u>	<u>Easy</u>	<u>Difficult</u>	<u>Very Difficult</u>	<u>Never Tried</u>	<u>Can't choose</u>	<u>Decline to answer</u>
38. An identity document (such as a birth certificate or passport)	4	3	2	1	5	8	9
39. A place in a public primary school for a child	4	3	2	1	5	8	9
40. Medical treatment at a nearby clinic	4	3	2	1	5	8	9
41. Help from the police when you need it	4	3	2	1	5	8	9
42. Generally speaking, how safe is living in this city/ town/ village – very safe, safe, unsafe or very unsafe?							
				Very safe			1
				Safe			2
				Unsafe			3
				Very unsafe			4
				[Do not read] Can't choose			8
				[Do not read] Decline to answer			9

F. PSYCHOLOGICAL INVOLVEMENT

43. How interested would you say you are in politics? (SHOWCARD) 【GBS】	Very interested	1
	Somewhat interested	2
	Not very interested	3
	Not at all interested	4
	[Do not read] Can't choose	8
	[Do not read] Decline to answer	9
44. How often do you follow news about politics and government? (SHOWCARD)	Everyday	1
	Several times a week	2
	Once or twice a week	3
	Not even once a week	4
	Practically never	5
	[Do not read] Can't choose	8
	[Do not read] Decline to answer	9
45. How often do you use the internet?	Almost daily	1
	At least once a week	2
	At least once a month	3
	Several times a year	4
	Hardly ever	5
	Never	6
	[Do not read] Do not understand the question	7
	[Do not read] Can't choose	8
	[Do not read] Decline to answer	9
46. When you get together with your family members or friends, how often do you discuss political matters? 【GBS】	Frequently	1
	Occasionally	2
	Never	3
	[Do not read] Can't choose	8
	[Do not read] Decline to answer	9

G. PARTISANSHIP

47. Among the political parties listed here, which party if any do you feel closest to?
(ONE ANSWER ONLY & SHOWCARD)

Party A01
Party B02
Party C03
etc.04
Don't feel close to any political party99
GO TO INTRO OF Q49

[Use two-digit code to cover all major parties in your country.]

48. How close do you feel to (answer in Q47)? Is it very close, somewhat close, or just a little close?

Very close1
Somewhat close2
Just a little close3
[Do not read] Can't choose8
[Do not read] Decline to answer9

H. TRADITIONALISM

49-63. Please tell me how you feel about the following statements. Would you say you **strongly agree**, **somewhat agree**, **somewhat disagree**, or **strongly disagree**? (SHOWCARD) (Do not read: Do not understand the question, Can't choose & Decline to answer)

	<u>SA</u>	<u>SWA</u>	<u>SWD</u>	<u>SD</u>	<u>DU</u>	<u>CC</u>	<u>DA</u>
49. Most people are trustworthy? (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
50. For the sake of the family, the individual should put his personal interests second.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
51. In a group, we should sacrifice our individual interest for the sake of the group's collective interest. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
52. For the sake of national interest, individual interest could be sacrificed. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
53. When dealing with others, developing a long-term relationship is more important than securing one's immediate interest. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
54. When dealing with others, one should not only focus on immediate interest but also plan for future. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
55. Even if parents' demands are unreasonable, children still should do what they ask.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
56. When a mother-in-law and a daughter-in-law come into conflict, even if the mother-in-law is in the wrong, the husband should still persuade his wife to obey his mother. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
57. Being a student, one should not question the authority of their teacher.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
58. In a group, we should avoid open quarrel to preserve the harmony of the group. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
59. Even if there is some disagreement with others, one should avoid the conflict. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
60. A person should not insist on his own opinion if his co-workers disagree with him.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9

61. Wealth and poverty, success and failure are all determined by fate. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
62. If one could have only one child, it is more preferable to have a boy than a girl. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
63. When dealing with others, one should not be preoccupied with temporary gains and losses. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9

I. POLITICAL PARTICIPATION

64-68. In the past three (3) years, have you **never, once, or more than once** done the following because of personal, family, or neighborhood problems, or problems with government officials and policies? (Do not read: Can't choose & Decline to answer)

(SHOWCARD)

	<u>Once</u>	<u>More than once</u>	<u>Never Done</u>	<u>CC</u>	<u>DA</u>
64. Contacted elected officials or legislative representatives at any level. 【GBS】	1	2	0	8	9
65. Contacted officials at higher level. <Optional>	1	2	0	8	9
66. Contacted traditional leaders/community leaders. <Optional> 【GBS】	1	2	0	8	9
67. Contacted other influential people outside the government. (NEW)	1	2	0	8	9
68. Contacted news media.(NEW) 【GBS】	1	2	0	8	9

69-72. Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have **never, once, or more than once** done any of these things during the past three years. (Do not read: Can't choose & Decline to answer)

(SHOWCARD)

	<u>Once</u>	<u>More than once</u>	<u>Never Done</u>	<u>CC</u>	<u>DA</u>
69. Got together with others to try to resolve local problems (NEW)	1	2	0	8	9
70. Got together with others to raise an issue or sign a petition	1	2	0	8	9
71. Attended a demonstration or protest march 【GBS】	1	2	0	8	9
72. Used force or violence for a political cause (NEW) 【GBS】	1	2	0	8	9

73. Thinking of whether you voted or not ever since you became eligible for voting, how would you describe yourself –have you voted in every election, voted in most elections, voted in some elections or hardly ever voted?	Voted in every election.....	1
	Voted in most elections.....	2
	Voted in some elections.....	3
	Hardly ever voted.....	4
	[Do not read] Not applicable (eligible only once).....	0
	[Do not read] Can't choose.....	8
[Do not read] Decline to answer	9	

J. REGIME PREFERENCE

74-79. Let's talk for a moment about the kind of government you would like to have in this country, which of the followings statements do you agree with most? Choose the first or the second statement. [Interviewer: Probe whether respondent **strongly agrees** or just **agrees** the chosen statement] (SHOWCARD) (Do not read: Do not understand the question, Can't choose & Decline to answer) (NEW)

74. Statement 1. Government leaders implement what voters want.
Statement 2. Government leaders do what they think is best for the people.(NEW)
(Code 7: Do not understand the question, Code 8: Can't choose, Code 9: Decline to answer)
74a. Do you **strongly agree** or just **agree** with the chosen statement?
1. Strongly agree 2. Agree
75. Statement 1. Government is our employee, the people should tell government what needs to be done.
Statement 2. The government is like parent, it should decide what is good for us. (NEW)
(Code 7: Do not understand the question, Code 8: Can't choose, Code 9: Decline to answer)
75a. Do you **strongly agree** or just **agree** with the chosen statement?
1. Strongly agree 2. Agree
76. Statement 1. The media should have the right to publish news and ideas without government control.
Statement 2. The government should have the right to prevent the media from publishing things that might be politically destabilizing.
(NEW)
(Code 7: Do not understand the question, Code 8: Can't choose, Code 9: Decline to answer)
76a. Do you **strongly agree** or just **agree** with the chosen statement?
1. Strongly agree 2. Agree
77. Statement 1. People should look after themselves and be primarily responsible for their own success in life.
Statement 2. The government should bear the main responsibility for taking care of the wellbeing of the people. (NEW)
(Code 7: Do not understand the question, Code 8: Can't choose, Code 9: Decline to answer)
77a. Do you **strongly agree** or just **agree** with the chosen statement?
1. Strongly agree 2. Agree
78. Statement 1. Political leaders are chosen by the people through open and competitive elections.
Statement 2. Political leaders are chosen on the basis on their virtue and capability even without election. (NEW)
(Code 7: Do not understand the question, Code 8: Can't choose, Code 9: Decline to answer)
78a. Do you **strongly agree** or just **agree** with the chosen statement?
1. Strongly agree 2. Agree
79. Statement 1. Multiple parties compete to represent political interests.
Statement 2. One party represents the interests of all the people. (NEW)
(Code 7: Do not understand the question, Code 8: Can't choose, Code 9: Decline to answer)
79a. Do you **strongly agree** or just **agree** with the chosen statement?
1. Strongly agree 2. Agree

80- 83.. Now I'd like to ask you about the kind of government that we have in our country. These questions are not about the current leaders, but about our overall system, the way the government is set up in general, even though leaders might come and go. (This way of setting up the battery is designed to direct respondents' attention to the regime instead of the incumbents.) Agree or disagree. (NEW)

	<u>SA</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>SD</u>	<u>DU</u>	<u>CC</u>	<u>DA</u>
80. Over the long run, our system of government is capable of solving the problems our country faces. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
81. Thinking in general, I am proud of our system of government. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
82. A system like ours, even if it runs into problems, deserves the people's support. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9

83. I would rather live under our system of government than any other that I can think of. (NEW) 1 2 3 4 7 8 9

84. Compared with other systems in the world, would you say our system of government works fine as it is, needs minor change, needs major change, or should be replaced? (NEW)

- It works fine, not need to change..... 1
- Needs minor change..... 2
- Needs major change..... 3
- Should be replaced 4
- [Do not read] Do not understand the question 7
- [Do not read] Can't choose 8
- [Do not read] Decline to answer..... 9

K. MEANING OF DEMOCRACY [GBS used the original design]

85- 88. Many things may be desirable, but not all of them are essential characteristics of democracy. If you have to choose only one from each four sets of statements that I am going to read, which one would you choose as the most essential characteristics of a democracy? (Please read out options 1 to 4) (SHOWCARD) (Do not read: Do not understand the question, Can't choose & Decline to answer) (NEW)

85. 1. Government narrows the gap between the rich and the poor.
 2. People choose the government leaders in free and fair election.
 3. Government does not waste any public money.
 4. People are free to express their political views openly. (NEW)
 (Code 7: Do not understand the question, Code 8: Can't choose, Code 9: Decline to answer)

86. 1. The legislature has oversight over the government.
 2. Basic necessities, like food, clothes and shelter, are provided for all.
 3. People are free to organize political groups.
 4. Government provides people with quality public services. (NEW)
 (Code 7: Do not understand the question, Code 8: Can't choose, Code 9: Decline to answer)

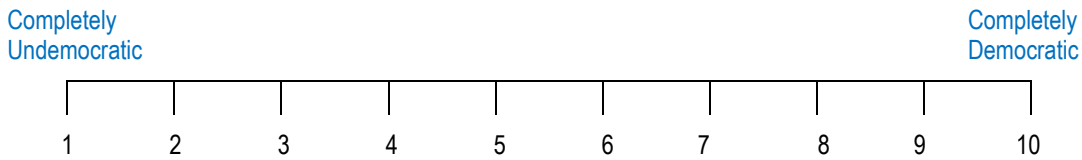
87. 1. Government ensures law and order.
 2. Media is free to criticize the things government does.
 3. Government ensures job opportunities for all.
 4. Multiple parties compete fairly in the election. (NEW)
 (Code 7: Do not understand the question, Code 8: Can't choose, Code 9: Decline to answer)

88. 1. People have the freedom to take part in protests and demonstrations.
 2. Politics is clean and free of corruption.
 3. The court protects the ordinary people from the abuse of government power.
 4. People receive state aid if they are unemployed. (NEW)
 (Code 7: Do not understand the question, Code 8: Can't choose, Code 9: Decline to answer)

L. SATISFACTION WITH GOVERNMENT AND DEMOCRACY

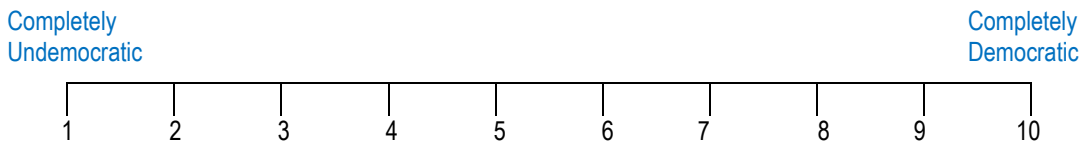
89. On the whole, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way democracy works in [Country]. Are you ...? (SHOWCARD) **[GBS]**
- | | |
|--|---|
| Very satisfied | 1 |
| Fairly satisfied | 2 |
| Not very satisfied | 3 |
| Not at all satisfied | 4 |
| [Do not read] Can't choose | 8 |
| [Do not read] Decline to answer | 9 |
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90. In your opinion how much of a democracy is [Country Name] ? (Read out options. Only one option to be chosen.)
- | | |
|--|---|
| A full democracy | 1 |
| A democracy, but with minor problems..... | 2 |
| A democracy, with major problems..... | 3 |
| Not a democracy..... | 4 |
| [Do not read] Don't understand question | 7 |
| [Do not read] Can't choose | 8 |
| [Do not read] Decline to answer | 9 |

91-93. Here is a scale: 1 means completely undemocratic and 10 means completely democratic. (SHOWCARD) (**Do not read:** Do not understand the question, Can't choose & Decline to answer)

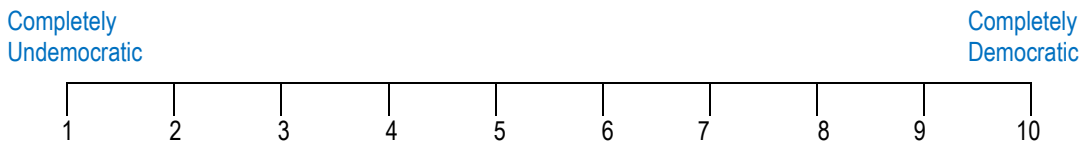


Do not understand the question=97
Can't choose=98
Decline to answer=99

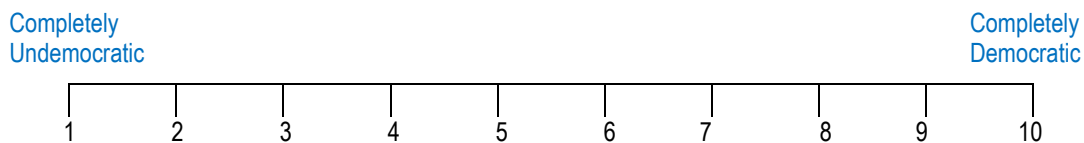
91. Where would you place our country under the present government?



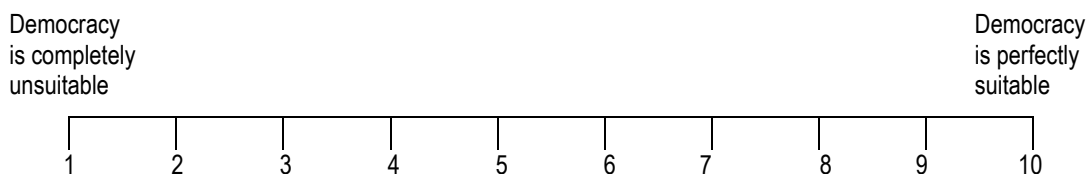
92. Where would you place our country ten years ago? (NEW)



93. Where would you want our country to be in the future? (NEW)



94. Here is a similar scale of 1 to 10 measuring the extent to which people think democracy is suitable for our country. If “1” means that democracy is completely unsuitable for [name of country] today and “10” means that it is completely suitable, where would you place our country today? **【GBS】**



95. How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the [name of president, etc. ruling current] government? Are you ...? (SHOWCARD)

- Very satisfied1
- Somewhat satisfied2
- Somewhat dissatisfied3
- Very dissatisfied4
- 【Do not read】**Can't choose8
- 【Do not read】**Decline to answer9

M. MOST IMPORTANT PROBLEMS

96. In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address? *[Do not read options. Code from responses. Accept up to one answer. Country team could add extra response categories to fit the local context.]*
[Record Verbatim Answers and Then Use the Codes Below]

96. Response: _____

Economics	
Management of the economy	1
Wages, incomes and salaries	2
Unemployment	3
Poverty/destitution	4
Rates and Taxes	5
Loans / credit	6
Food / Agriculture	
Farming/agriculture	7
Food shortage/famine	8
Drought	9
Land	10
Infrastructure	
Transportation	11
Communications	12
Infrastructure / roads	13
Government Services	
Education	14
Housing	15
Electricity	16
Water supply	17
Orphans/street children/homeless children	18
Services (other)	19
Health	
Health	20
AIDS	21
Sickness / Disease	22
Governance	
Crime and Security	23
Corruption	24
Political violence	25
Political instability/political divisions/ ethnic tensions	26
Discrimination/ inequality	27
Gender issues/women's rights	28
Democracy/political rights	29
War (international)	30
Civil war	31
Nothing/ no problems	0
Can't choose	998
Other, Specify _____	(Post Code)

97. How likely is it that the government will solve the most important problem you identified within the next five years? *[Read out options]*
- Very likely.....1
Likely.....2
Not very likely.....3
Not at all likely.....4
[Do not read] Can't choose.....8
[Do not read] Decline to answer.....9

N. QUALITY OF GOVERNANCE

98- Now I am going to read to you a list of statements that describe how people often feel about the state of affairs in [country name]. Please
107. tell me whether you **strongly agree**, **somewhat agree**, **somewhat disagree**, or **strongly disagree** with each of these statements. **(Do not read: Do not understand the question, Can't choose & Decline to answer.)** (SHOWCARD)

		<u>SA</u>	<u>SWA</u>	<u>SWD</u>	<u>SD</u>	<u>DU</u>	<u>CC</u>	<u>DA</u>
98.	People have the power to change a government they don't like. 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
99.	Political parties or candidates in our country have equal access to the mass media during the election period.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
100.	Between elections, the people have no way of holding the government responsible for its actions.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
101.	When government leaders break the laws, there is nothing the court can do. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
102.	Most citizens in our country don't make much effort to influence government decisions. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
103.	All citizens from different ethnic communities in Country X are treated equally by the government. (NEW) 【GBS used the original design】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
104.	Rich and poor people are treated equally by the government. (NEW) 【GBS used the original design】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
105.	People have basic necessities like food, clothes, and shelter.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
106.	People are free to speak what they think without fear. 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
107.	People can join any organization they like without fear. 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
108.	Do officials who commit crimes go unpunished? (SHOWCARD) (NEW) 【GBS】	Always.....1 Most of the time2 Sometimes3 Rarely.....4 [Do not read] Don't understand the question7 [Do not read] Can't choose8 [Do not read] Decline to answer.....9						
109.	How often do government officials withhold important information from the public view? (SHOWCARD)	Always.....1 Most of the time2 Sometimes3 Rarely.....4 [Do not read] Don't understand the question.....7 [Do not read] Can't choose.....8 [Do not read] Decline to answer.....9						

110.	How often do you think government leaders break the law or abuse their power? (SHOWCARD)(NEW)	Always.....1 Most of the time2 Sometimes3 Rarely.....4 [Do not read] Don't understand the question.....7 [Do not read] Can't choose.....8 [Do not read] Decline to answer9
111.	How often do you think our elections offer the voters a real choice between different parties/candidates? (SHOWCARD)	Always.....1 Most of the time2 Sometimes3 Rarely.....4 [Do not read] Don't understand the question.....7 [Do not read] Can't choose.....8 [Do not read] Decline to answer9
112.	To what extent is the legislature capable of keeping government leaders in check? (SHOWCARD) (NEW)	Very capable1 Capable2 Not capable.....3 Not at all capable4 [Do not read] Don't understand the question.....7 [Do not read] Can't choose.....8 [Do not read] Decline to answer9
113.	How well do you think the government responds to what people want? (SHOWCARD)	Very responsive1 Largely responsive.....2 Not very responsive3 Not responsive at all4 [Do not read] Don't understand the question.....7 [Do not read] Can't choose.....8 [Do not read] Decline to answer9
114.	In your neighborhood or community, do people voice their interests and concerns in local affairs? (SHOWCARD) (NEW)	Most people1 Quite a lot of people.....2 Some people.....3 Few people4 [Do not read] Don't understand the question.....7 [Do not read] Can't choose.....8 [Do not read] Decline to answer9
115.	How much do you feel that having elections makes the government pay attention to what the people think? (SHOWCARD) (NEW)	A good deal.....1 Quite a lot2 Not much.....3 Not at all.....4 [Do not read] Don't understand the question.....7 [Do not read] Can't choose.....8 [Do not read] Decline to answer9
116.	How widespread do you think corruption and bribe-taking are in your local/municipal government? Would you say ...? (SHOWCARD) 【GBS】	Hardly anyone is involved1 Not a lot of officials are corrupt.....2 Most officials are corrupt.....3 Almost everyone is corrupt4 [Do not read] Can't choose.....8 [Do not read] Decline to answer9

117.	How widespread do you think corruption and bribe-taking are in the national government [in capital city]? Would you say ...? (SHOWCARD) 【GBS】	Hardly anyone is involved.....	1
		Not a lot of officials are corrupt.....	2
		Most officials are corrupt.....	3
		Almost everyone is corrupt	4
		[Do not read] Can't choose.....	8
		[Do not read] Decline to answer.....	9

118. In your opinion, is the government working to crack down on corruption and root out bribery? (NEW) **【GBS】**

It is doing its best.....	1
It is doing something.....	2
It is not doing much.....	3
Doing nothing.....	4
[Do not read] Do not understand the question	7
[Do not read] Can't choose	8
[Do not read] Decline to answer.....	9

119. Have you or anyone you know personally witnessed an act of corruption or bribe-taking by a politician or government official in the past year? IF WITNESSED: Did you personally witness it or were you told about it by a family member or friend who personally witnessed it?

Witnessed (ALLOW MULTIPLE RESPONSE)	1
Personally witnessed	2
Told about it by a family member who personally witnessed.....	3
Told about it by a friend who personally witnessed	4
Personally never witnessed.....	5
No one I know has personally witnessed.....	6
[Do not read] Do not understand the question	7
[Do not read] Can't choose	8
[Do not read] Decline to answer.....	9

NOTE : DO NOT ACCEPT BEING TOLD ABOUT IT BY SOMEONE WHO LEARNED ABOUT AN ACT OF CORRUPTION THROUGH OTHERS OR MASS MEDIA.

O. REGIME EVALUATION

120-123. Remember the scale that we used before: 1 means completely undemocratic and 10 means completely democratic.(SHOWCARD) (**Do not read: Do not understand the question, Can't choose & Decline to answer**)

Completely
Undemocratic

Completely
Democratic



Do not understand the question=97
Can't choose=98
Decline to answer=99

120. Where would you place China today on this scale?

Completely
Undemocratic

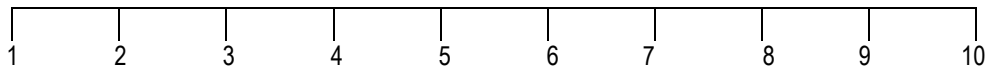
Completely
Democratic



121. Where would you place the United States today on this scale?

Completely
Undemocratic

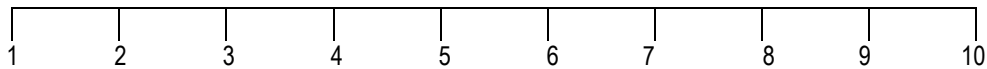
Completely
Democratic



122. Where would you place Japan today on this scale?

Completely
Undemocratic

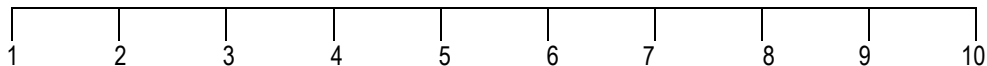
Completely
Democratic



123. Where would you place India today on this scale?

Completely
Undemocratic

Completely
Democratic



P. DEMOCRATIC LEGITIMACY AND PREFERENCE FOR DEMOCRACY

124. Which of the following statements comes closest to your own opinion? (SHOWCARD) **[GBS]**
- Democracy is always preferable to any other kind of government 1
 - Under some circumstances, an authoritarian government can be preferable to a democratic one..... 2
 - For people like me, it does not matter whether we have a democratic or a nondemocratic regime..... 3
 - [Do not read]** Do not understand the question 7
 - [Do not read]** Can't choose 8
 - [Do not read]** Decline to answer..... 9
125. Which of the following statements comes closer to your own view? (SHOWCARD)
- Democracy is capable of solving the problems of our society 1
 - Democracy cannot solve our society's problems..... 2
 - [Do not read]** Do not understand the question 7
 - [Do not read]** Can't choose 8
 - [Do not read]** Decline to answer..... 9
126. If you had to choose between democracy and economic development, which would you say is more important? (SHOWCARD) **[GBS]**
- Economic development is definitely more important 1
 - Economic development is somewhat more important 2
 - Democracy is somewhat more important 3
 - Democracy is definitely more important..... 4
 - [Do not read]** They are both equally important 5
 - [Do not read]** Do not understand the question 7
 - [Do not read]** Can't choose 8
 - [Do not read]** Decline to answer..... 9
127. If you had to choose between reducing economic inequality and protecting political freedom, which would you say is more important? (SHOWCARD) (NEW)
- Reducing economic inequality is definitely more important 1
 - Reducing economic inequality is somewhat more important..... 2
 - Protecting political freedom is somewhat more important 3
 - Protecting political freedom is definitely more important 4
 - [Do not read]** They are both equally important..... 5
 - [Do not read]** Do not understand the question 7
 - [Do not read]** Can't choose 8
 - [Do not read]** Decline to answer..... 9
128. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Democracy may have its problems, but it is still the best form of government." (SHOWCARD) (NEW)
- Strongly agree 1
 - Agree 2
 - Disagree 3
 - Strongly disagree 4
 - [Do not read]** Do not understand the question 7
 - [Do not read]** Can't choose 8
 - [Do not read]** Decline to answer 9

Q. AGREEMENT/DISAGREEMENT WITH SPECIFIC STATEMENTS

129- There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternatives? For each statement, would
 132. you say you **strongly approve, approve, disapprove, or strongly disapprove**? (SHOWCARD) (Do not read: Do not understand the question, Can't choose & Decline to answer)

DEMOCRATIC LEGITIMACY AND PREFERENCE FOR DEMOCRACY

	<u>SA</u>	<u>SWA</u>	<u>SWD</u>	<u>SD</u>	<u>DU</u>	<u>CC</u>	<u>DA</u>
129. We should get rid of parliament and elections and have a strong leader decide things. 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
130. Only one political party should be allowed to stand for election and hold office.(NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
131. The army (military) should come in to govern the country. 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
132. We should get rid of elections and parliaments and have experts make decisions on behalf of the people. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9

133- I have here some statements. For each statement, would you say you **strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or**
 137. **strongly disagree**? (SHOWCARD) (Do not read: Do not understand the question, Can't choose & Decline to answer)

CITIZEN EMPOWERMENT AND POLITICAL SUPPORT

	<u>SA</u>	<u>SWA</u>	<u>SWD</u>	<u>SD</u>	<u>DU</u>	<u>CC</u>	<u>DA</u>
133. I think I have the ability to participate in politics.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
134. Sometimes politics and government seems so complicated that a person like me can't really understand what is going on. 【GBS】	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
135. People like me don't have any influence over what the government does. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
136. You can generally trust the people who run our government to do what is right.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
137. A citizen should always remain loyal only to his country, no matter how imperfect it is or what wrong it has done.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9

R. AGREEMENT/DISAGREEMENT WITH SPECIFIC STATEMENTS (cont'd)

138- I have here other statements. For each statement, would you say you **strongly agree**, **somewhat agree**, **somewhat disagree**, or
 148. **strongly disagree?** (SHOWCARD) (Do not read: Do not understand the question, Can't choose & Decline to answer)

<u>AUTHORITARIAN/DEMOCRATIC VALUES</u>		<u>SA</u>	<u>SWA</u>	<u>SWD</u>	<u>SD</u>	<u>DU</u>	<u>CC</u>	<u>DA</u>
138.	The government should consult religious authorities when interpreting the laws. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
139.	Women should not be involved in politics as much as men. (NEW)	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
140.	People with little or no education should have as much say in politics as highly-educated people.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
141.	Government leaders are like the head of a family; we should all follow their decisions.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
142.	The government should decide whether certain ideas should be allowed to be discussed in society.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
143.	Harmony of the community will be disrupted if people organize lots of groups.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
144.	When judges decide important cases, they should accept the view of the executive branch.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
145.	If the government is constantly checked [i.e. monitored and supervised] by the legislature, it cannot possibly accomplish great things.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
146.	If we have political leaders who are morally upright, we can let them decide everything.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
147.	If people have too many different ways of thinking, society will be chaotic.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9
148.	When the country is facing a difficult situation, it is ok for the government to disregard the law in order to deal with the situation.	1	2	3	4	7	8	9

S. GLOBALIZATION

149. How closely do you follow major events in foreign countries / the world?
- Very closely1
 - Somewhat closely.....2
 - Not too closely3
 - Very little4
 - Not at all5
 - [Do not read]** Can't choose8
 - [Do not read]** Decline to answer.....9
150. How often do you watch or listen to foreign programs (television, DVDs, movies, radio)? (NEW)
- Almost daily1
 - At least once a week2
 - At least once a month3
 - Several times a year4
 - Hardly ever5
 - Never6
 - [Do not read]** Can't choose8
 - [Do not read]** Decline to answer.....9
151. Our country should defend our way of life instead of becoming more and more like other countries. (NEW)
- Strongly agree1
 - Somewhat agree2
 - Somewhat disagree3
 - Strongly disagree.....4
 - [Do not read]** Don't understand the question7
 - [Do not read]** Can't choose8
 - [Do not read]** Decline to answer.....9
152. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "We should protect our farmers and workers by limiting the import of foreign goods." (NEW)
- Strongly agree1
 - Agree2
 - Disagree3
 - Strongly disagree.....4
 - [Do not read]** Do not understand the question7
 - [Do not read]** Can't choose8
 - [Do not read]** Decline to answer.....9
153. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Foreign goods are hurting the local community." (NEW)
- Strongly agree1
 - Agree2
 - Disagree3
 - Strongly disagree.....4
 - [Do not read]** Do not understand the question7
 - [Do not read]** Can't choose8
 - [Do not read]** Decline to answer.....9

T. CITIZENSHIP

154.	How proud are you to be a citizen of (COUNTRY)? Are you? [GBS]	Very proud1 Somewhat proud2 Not very proud3 Not proud at all4 [Do not read] Don't understand the question7 [Do not read] Can't choose8 [Do not read] Decline to answer9
155.	Given the chance, how willing would you be to go and live in another country?	Very willing1 Willing2 Not willing3 Not willing at all4 [Do not read] Don't understand the question7 [Do not read] Can't choose8 [Do not read] Decline to answer9

U. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

156.	Which country has the most influence in Asia? (NEW)	
	China1	
	Japan2	
	India3	
	United States4	
	Other [please name]5	
	[Do not read] Do not understand the question7	
	[Do not read] Can't choose8	
	[Do not read] Decline to answer9	
157.	Does (answer in Q156) do more good or harm to the region? (NEW)	
	Much more good than harm1	
	Somewhat more good than harm2	
	Somewhat more harm than good3	
	Much more harm than good4	
	[Do not read] Do not understand the question7	
	[Do not read] Can't choose8	
	[Do not read] Decline to answer9	

[NOTE : Ask Q157a if the answer in Q156 is not China, otherwise skip to Q158]

157a.	Does China do more good or harm to the region? (NEW)	
	Much more good than harm1	
	Somewhat more good than harm2	
	Somewhat more harm than good3	
	Much more harm than good4	
	[Do not read] Do not understand the question7	
	[Do not read] Can't choose8	
	[Do not read] Decline to answer9	
158.	In ten years, which country will have the most influence in Asia? (NEW)	
	China1	
	Japan2	
	India3	
	United States4	
	Other [please name]5	
	[Do not read] Do not understand the question7	
	[Do not read] Can't choose8	
	[Do not read] Decline to answer9	

159.	Which country should be a model for our own country's future development? (NEW)	
	United States	1
	China	2
	India	3
	Japan	4
	Singapore	5
	Other [please name]	6
	We should follow our country's own model.....	7
	[Do not read] Can't choose	8
	[Do not read] Decline to answer.....	9
	[Do not read] Do not understand the question	0
160.	How much influence does China have on our country? (NEW)	
	A great deal of influence	1
	Some influence	2
	Not much influence	3
	No influence at all	4
	[Do not read] Do not understand the question	7
	[Do not read] Can't choose	8
	[Do not read] Decline to answer.....	9
161.	General speaking, the influence China has on our country is? (NEW)	
	Very positive	1
	Positive	2
	Somewhat positive	3
	Somewhat negative	4
	Negative	5
	Very negative.....	6
	[Do not read] Do not understand the question	7
	[Do not read] Can't choose	8
	[Do not read] Decline to answer.....	9

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