

### **Majority believe Coronavirus situation is getting worse in the country**

This is the fifth (5th) survey of series of polls, presenting the latest public perception of the COVID-19 pandemic in the wake of wave III. IPOR has come up with the most debate-generated question about the current situation of coronavirus in the country and the performance of the government in the handling of coronavirus situation. Some of the key findings of this survey are as follow;

- 69% of the respondents reported that the current coronavirus situation in Pakistan is getting worse.
- 59% of the respondents are willing to take the vaccine, but 37% are still reluctant and said they will not take any vaccine.
- 50% of the respondents preferred Chinese vaccine over the vaccine from other countries.
- 31% of the respondents said someone in their social circle have been vaccinated.
- 53% of the respondents reported they don't trust on the information regarding coronavirus circulating on social media.
- More people are dissatisfied with PM than ever before. There is a decrease of massive 16% in approval rating of PM from 56% to 42% regarding the handling of coronavirus situation in the country.
- Losing the confidence of people, a majority 65% of the people now rating either bad or very bad performance by the PM Imran Khan at more than half the time of his tenure.
- There is strict tie between PTI fans and PMLN voters at 27% support for each of the leadership as for steering the country out of issues facing it.

This survey report is based on the opinions of 1046 respondents who were interviewed from April 28<sup>th</sup> to May 7<sup>th</sup> 2021. Error Margin +/-3.03 percent, Confidence Level will be 95 percent at national-level results. 58% of the respondents were male, while 42% were female, and majority of the respondents were under the age of 40, in which respondents between the age of 18 and 25 made up 26% of the total and 26-40 were 48% while, those between 41 and 50 made up 14%, and those above 51 were 11% of the total.