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## **“Survey 4 Results: Constitutional Referendum 2016”**

*Remarks: The opinion survey “NIDA Poll” will conduct a total of 11 surveys on public opinion about constitutional referendum 2016 from 1 May 2016 onward.*

The opinion survey “NIDA Poll” of the National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA) reveals public opinion on “Survey 4 Results: Constitutional Referendum 2016” The survey was conducted from 6 – 7 June 2016 among the population aged 18 years and above nationwide distributed across every level of education and occupation for a total of 1,501 sample units on constitutional referendum 2016 and opinions about the proposal for senators recruited for a 5-year term to be eligible to become members of the House of Representatives to vote for the prime minister. The survey relied on samples randomly selected from the Master Sample of NIDA Poll using systematic random sampling. Data was collected by telephone interviews with reliability score at 95.0 percent and standard error (S.E.) not exceeding 1.3.

According to Survey 4, when the public was asked about its opinion on whether to accept or reject the constitution draft in the upcoming referendum, the majority of the public replied, “I haven’t made a decision yet,” (62.96%); followed by, “I will vote in favor of the constitution draft,” (28.71%); “I will vote against the constitution draft,” (7.13%), and, “I will exercise my right, but there is no clear direction for the referendum,” (1.20%).

Lastly, when the public was asked about its decisions about the proposal for senators recruited for a 5-year term to be eligible to become members of the House of Representatives to vote for the prime minister, the majority of the public replied, “I haven’t made a decision yet,” (52.70%); followed by, “I will vote in favor,” (27.38%); “I will vote against,” (18.92%), and, “I will exercise my right, but there is no clear direction for the referendum,” (1.00%).

## **General Characteristics of Samples**

When considering general characteristics of samples, it was revealed that 8.79% of all samples are based in Bangkok and its vicinity areas. 25.38% are residents of Thailand’s central region. 18.19% are residents of Thailand’s northern region. 33.51% are residents of Thailand’s north-eastern region. 14.13% are residents of the country’s southern region. Moreover, 51.10% are males, 48.83% are females, 0.07% are other sexual preferences. 7.46% of all samples are at aged 18 – 25 years old. 14.99% are 26 – 35 years old. 22.19% are 36 - 45 years old, 32.84% are 46 – 59 years old, 20.25% are 60 years old and older; and 2.27% did not specify their ages.

92.67% of all samples are Buddhists; 3.93% are Muslims; 0.60% are Christians and others; and 2.80% did not specify their religions. 21.05% are single; 73.75% are married; 2.27% are widows, divorce, and separation; and 2.93% did not specify their marriage statuses. 29.98% of all samples have graduated from elementary school or lower; 25.98 % have graduated from secondary school or its equivalent; 7.20% have graduated with diploma or equivalence; 28.11% are graduated with bachelor's degree or its equivalent; 5.26% are postgraduates or its equivalent; and 3.46% did not specify their education level.

12.86% are government officials/employees/ state enterprise employees; 9.99% are private enterprise employees; 22.78% are business owners/freelancers; 17.59% are agriculturist/fisheries; 15.32% are general hires/worker; 14.19% are husbands/housewives/retired/unemployed, 3.53% are students/university students; and 0.07% Non-profit organization (NPO)/Non-governmental organizations (NGO); and 3.67% did not specify their main occupations. 14.66% of all samples do not have any income, 21.65% have monthly incomes not exceeding of 10,000 Baht; 26.18% have monthly incomes between 10,001 – 20,000 Baht; 13.32% have monthly income between 20,001 – 30,000 Baht; 6.00% have monthly incomes between 30,001 – 40,000 Baht; 7.46% have monthly incomes of more than 40,001 Baht or higher; and 10.73% did not specify their incomes.

**1. How will you decide about the referendum to either accept or reject the Constitution?**

Public decision on whether to accept or reject the constitution draft in the upcoming referendum	Survey 2 %	Survey 3 %	Survey 4 %
I haven't made a decision yet.	39.53	39.53	62.96
I will <b>vote in favor</b> of the constitution draft.	28.33	32.07	28.71
I will exercise my right, but there is no clear direction for the referendum.	23.27	19.73	1.20
I will <b>vote against</b> the constitution draft.	8.87	8.67	7.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>

**2. How will you decide about the proposal for senators recruited for a 5-year term to be eligible to become members of the House of Representatives to vote for the prime minister?**

Public Decisions about the proposal for senators recruited for a 5-year term to be eligible to become members of the House of Representatives to vote for the prime minister	Survey 2 %	Survey 3 %	Survey 4 %
I haven't made a decision yet.	29.40	38.47	52.70
I will <b>vote in favor</b> .	31.93	29.20	27.38
I will <b>vote against</b> .	27.33	21.93	18.92
I will exercise my right, but there is no clear direction for the referendum.	11.34	10.40	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>

## General Characteristics of Samples

1. Table 1 illustrates numbers and percentages of survey respondents categorized by regions.

Regions	Numbers	Percentages
Bangkok areas	132	8.79
Perimeter and Central region	381	25.38
Northern region	273	18.19
North-eastern region	503	33.51
Southern region	212	14.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>100.00</b>

2. Table 2 illustrates numbers and percentages of survey respondents categorized by gender.

Genders	Numbers	Percentages
Male	767	51.10
Female	733	48.83
Other sexual preferences	1	0.07
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>100.00</b>

3. Table 3 illustrates numbers and percentages of survey respondents categorized by ages.

Ages	Numbers	Percentages
aged less than 25 years old	112	7.46
26 – 35 Years old	225	14.99
36 – 45 Years old	333	22.19
46 – 59 Years old	493	32.84
60 Years old or older	304	20.25
Not specified	34	2.27
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>100.00</b>

4. Table 4 illustrates numbers and percentages of survey respondents categorized by religions

Religion	Numbers	Percentages
Buddhists	1,391	92.67
Muslims	59	3.93
Christians and others	9	0.60
Not specified	42	2.80
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>100.00</b>

5. Table 5 illustrates numbers and percentages of survey respondents categorized by marriage statuses.

Marriage Status	Numbers	Percentages
Single	316	21.05
Married	1,107	73.75
Widows, divorced, and separation	34	2.27
Not specified	44	2.93
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>100.00</b>

## General Characteristics of Samples (Continued)

6. Table 6 illustrates numbers and percentages of survey respondents categorized by education level

Education Levels	Numbers	Percentages
Elementary school or lower	450	29.98
Secondary school or equivalent	390	25.98
Diploma or equivalent	108	7.20
Bachelor's degree or equivalent	422	28.11
Postgraduate or equivalent	79	5.26
Not specified	52	3.46
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>100.00</b>

7. Table 7 illustrates numbers and percentages of survey respondents categorized by main occupations.

Main Occupations	Numbers	Percentages
Government officials/employees/ state enterprise employees	193	12.86
Private enterprise employees	150	9.99
Business owners/freelancers	342	22.78
Agriculturists/fisheries	264	17.59
General hires/worker	230	15.32
Husbands/housewives/retired/unemployed	213	14.19
Students/university students	53	3.53
Non-profit organization (NPO)/Non-governmental organizations (NGO)	1	0.07
Not specified	55	3.67
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>100.00</b>

8. Table 8 illustrates numbers and percentages of survey respondents categorized by monthly income.

Monthly Income	Numbers	Percentages
Do not have any income	220	14.66
Not exceeding of 10,000	325	21.65
10,001 – 20,000	393	26.18
20,001 – 30,000	200	13.32
30,001 – 40,000	90	6.00
More than 40,001 or higher	112	7.46
Not specified	161	10.73
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>100.00</b>

