Detailed Methodology

• The survey was conducted on behalf of the International Republican Institute’s [Center for Insights in Survey Research](https://www.iri.org) by [Innovative Research & Consultancy](https://www.innovativeresearch.com) under the supervision of [Redstone Scientific](https://www.redstonescientific.com).

• Data was collected between March 1st and April 6th, 2023 through CAPI-administered in-person interviews.

• The sample consists of 5,000 adults 18 years of age and older from all 64 districts and all eight divisions of Bangladesh. It is representative of voting age adults nationally.

• The multi-stage probability sample was distributed into 500 primary sampling units (PSU) and stratified by division and urbanicity. PSUs were defined as *mouza* in rural areas and *mahalla* in urban areas and were selected using the Probability-Proportionate-to-Size (PPS) method. In each PSU, after identifying a centrally-located starting point, a skip pattern was used to select the appropriate households. Within each household a respondent was selected using the Kish Grid. Enumerators alternated between selecting male and female respondents to enhance representativeness.

• The sample was weighted by age using the preliminary results of the 2021 census data.

• On select questions a split sample was executed for the purposes of experimentation. Where the results for the split sample are shown it is denoted as such and consists of interviews executed in the same manner as the rest of the survey but represents half of the sample size.

• The overall response rate was 47 percent.

• The margin of error for the national sample is plus or minus 1.4 percent at the midrange with a confidence level of 95%.

• Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
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*Cited bases are weighted. Margin of error will vary with sample size n.*
General Outlook
In general, would you say that things in Bangladesh are heading in the right direction or are they heading in the wrong direction?

Note: The April 2023 sample-frame was updated to reflect the new 2021 census data; resulting demographic shifts in the sample may impact trend data.
In general, do you think that things are heading in the right direction or are they heading in the wrong direction?

(Among those who declared “right direction”, n=2,195; spontaneous response)

- Overall development of country: 19%
- Improved living standards: 14%
- Digital Bangladesh (Vision 2021): 12%
- Economy is better: 11%
- Construction of Padma Bridge: 7%
- Better law and order: 6%
- Agricultural development: 4%
- More jobs: 4%
- Better food security: 3%
- Better security of citizens: 3%
- Educational advancement: 2%
- Transportation system development: 2%
- Advancements in medical science: 2%
- Technology sector development: 1%
- Garment sector development: 1%
- Lower prices: 1%
- Improvement in telecommunications: 1%
- Decline in militancy: 1%
- Old age allowance: 1%
- Health sector development: 1%
- Childhood marriage has stopped: 1%
- More sports facilities: 1%
- Liberalization of mosques: 1%
- Increase in electricity production: 1%
- Increase in wages: 1%
- Development of mega projects: 1%
- Other: 2%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 1%

Total Development: 50%
Total Economy: 30%
Total Security: 9%

*Responses receiving <1% are collapsed into Other*
In general, why do you think that things are heading in the wrong direction?

(Among those who declared “wrong direction”, n=2,641; spontaneous response)

In general, do you think things in Bangladesh are heading in the right direction or are they heading in the wrong direction?

- Wrong direction: 53%
- Right direction: 44%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 3%

![Graph showing reasons for wrong direction]

- Price hikes: 50%
- More corruption: 13%
- One-sided government: 4%
- Lack of democracy: 4%
- Lack of jobs: 3%
- Poor law and order/Judicial situation: 3%
- People cannot express opinions: 3%
- Overpopulation: 3%
- Low market price of agro products: 2%
- Personal financial situation: 2%
- Cost/Availability of gas: 1%
- Political instability: 1%
- Cost/Availability of oil: 1%
- Increasing militancy: 1%
- Low labor wages: 1%
- Increasing terrorism: 1%
- Lack of development in business sector: 1%
- Problem in education: 1%
- Poor telecommunications: 1%
- Partisan activities of the government: 1%
- Absence of caretaker government: 1%
- Poor transportation system: 1%
- Opposition party election boycott: 1%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 1%
- Other: 3%

*Responses receiving <1% are collapsed into Other.*

Total Economy: 61%
Total Corruption: 13%
Total Democracy: 12%
Total Security: 5%
Thinking now about the following, would you rate the situation with each as good or bad? And would you say very good or very bad?

Security situation:
- Very good: 25%
- Good: 36%
- Bad: 21%
- Very bad: 15%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 3%

Economy:
- Very good: 16%
- Good: 29%
- Bad: 30%
- Very bad: 21%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 4%

Political stability:
- Very good: 14%
- Good: 31%
- Bad: 32%
- Very bad: 17%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 7%
Thinking now about security, would you rate the situation as good or bad? And would you say very good or very bad?

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Thinking now about the economy, would you rate the situation as good or bad? And would you say very good or very bad?

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Thinking now about political stability, would you rate the situation as good or bad? And would you say very good or very bad?

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Thinking more about this, in the coming year, do you think that the situation with security is going to get better, worse, or stay the same?

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Thinking more about this, in the coming year, do you think that the situation with the economy is going to get better, worse, or stay the same?

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Thinking more about this, in the coming year, do you think that the situation with political stability is going to get better, worse, or stay the same?

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Thinking now about your personal economic situation for you and your family, over the past year has it gotten better, stayed the same, or worsened?

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Thinking more about your personal economic situation, in the coming year, do you expect your personal economic situation is going to get better, stay the same, or get worse?

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What is the single most important problem facing Bangladesh?

(Response spontaneous response)

- Corruption: 36%
- Inflation: 21%
- Unemployment: 9%
- Political instability: 7%
- Economic crisis: 7%
- Drugs: 6%
- Crime/Terrorism/Security/Law and Order: 2%
- Food security: 2%
- Education: 2%
- Women's rights: 1%
- Poverty reduction: 1%
- Elections/Electoral reform/Political party reform: 1%
- Population density: 1%
- Other: 3%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 1%

*Responses receiving <1% are collapsed into Other

Total Economy: 37%
Democracy
How would you rate the current state of Bangladesh’s democracy, would you say it is good or bad? And would you say that it is very or somewhat good/bad?

Note: The April 2023 sample-frame was updated to reflect the new 2021 census data; resulting demographic shifts in the sample may impact trend data.
Do people in our country feel free to openly express their political opinions or are they afraid?

- 31% Very free
- 23% Somewhat free
- 22% Somewhat afraid
- 5% Very afraid
- 20% Don't know/Refused to answer
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? The gap between the rich and the poor in Bangladesh is growing larger.

- 54% Strongly agree
- 33% Somewhat agree
- 9% Somewhat disagree
- 3% Strongly disagree
- 1% Don't know/Refused to answer

- 9% Strongly agree
- 54% Somewhat agree
- 33% Somewhat disagree
- 1% Strongly disagree
- 1% Don't know/Refused to answer
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? There is a large gap between political elites and the people.

- Strongly agree: 43%
- Somewhat agree: 45%
- Somewhat disagree: 7%
- Strongly disagree: 2%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 2%
I am now going to ask you about civil society organizations. When I say civil society organizations, I mean a local, national or international group of people who organize to support a particular interest, group or issue. In your opinion do you think such organizations for the most part represent the interests of ordinary people or do they mostly represent the interests of the elites?

- For the most part they represent the interests of ordinary people: 62%
- For the most part they represent the interests of elites: 35%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 3%
Now I would like to discuss corruption with you. When I say corruption, I mean having to do a favor, give a gift or pay a bribe because someone misuses their position for personal gains. In the past 12 months, how often, if at all, have you been impacted by corruption?

- Daily: 3%
- Weekly: 3%
- Monthly: 9%
- Less frequently: 24%
- Not at all: 58%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 4%
Approval Ratings
Thinking now about Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, do you think she is doing a very good job, a somewhat good job, a somewhat bad job, or a very bad job?
Thinking now about Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, do you think she is doing a very good job, a somewhat good job, a somewhat bad job, or a very bad job?*

(Total of those responding “very” and “somewhat” good/bad job)

*Prior to 2023, this question asked about the Prime Minister in general without specifying a name and used an approve/disapprove scale.

Note: The April 2023 sample-frame was updated to reflect the new 2021 census data; resulting demographic shifts in the sample may impact trend data.
Thinking now about the following institutions and people, would you say you approve or disapprove of the job they are doing? And would that be strongly or somewhat approve/disapprove?

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Legend:
- **Strongly approve**
- **Somewhat approve**
- **Somewhat disapprove**
- **Strongly disapprove**
- **Don't know/Refused to answer**
Thinking now about the following institutions and people, would you say you approve or disapprove of the job they are doing? ...Opposition

(Total of those responding “strongly” and “somewhat” approve/disapprove)

Note: The April 2023 sample-frame was updated to reflect the new 2021 census data; resulting demographic shifts in the sample may impact trend data.
Now I am going to read various issues. Please rate the current national government’s performance on each one.

- Development of roads, highways, and bridges: 56% strongly approve, 31% somewhat approve, 8% somewhat disapprove, 4% strongly disapprove, 4% don't know/refused to answer.
- Availability of drinking water: 55% strongly approve, 31% somewhat approve, 9% somewhat disapprove, 4% strongly disapprove, 4% don't know/refused to answer.
- Electricity availability: 51% strongly approve, 33% somewhat approve, 10% somewhat disapprove, 5% strongly disapprove, 1% don't know/refused to answer.
- Improving education: 46% strongly approve, 35% somewhat approve, 12% somewhat disapprove, 7% strongly disapprove, 1% don't know/refused to answer.
- Delivering quality healthcare: 38% strongly approve, 39% somewhat approve, 14% somewhat disapprove, 8% strongly disapprove, 1% don't know/refused to answer.
- Keeping the peace: 32% strongly approve, 38% somewhat approve, 14% somewhat disapprove, 11% strongly disapprove, 4% don't know/refused to answer.
- Addressing the Rohingya refugee crisis: 25% strongly approve, 32% somewhat approve, 22% somewhat disapprove, 16% strongly disapprove, 4% don't know/refused to answer.
- Fighting violent extremism: 23% strongly approve, 31% somewhat approve, 22% somewhat disapprove, 18% strongly disapprove, 6% don't know/refused to answer.
- Strengthening democracy in Bangladesh: 22% strongly approve, 32% somewhat approve, 22% somewhat disapprove, 17% strongly disapprove, 8% don't know/refused to answer.
- Preventing enforced disappearances: 19% strongly approve, 33% somewhat approve, 22% somewhat disapprove, 19% strongly disapprove, 8% don't know/refused to answer.
- Fighting corruption: 19% strongly approve, 28% somewhat approve, 25% somewhat disapprove, 24% strongly disapprove, 4% don't know/refused to answer.
- Reducing unemployment: 17% strongly approve, 28% somewhat approve, 27% somewhat disapprove, 26% strongly disapprove, 2% don't know/refused to answer.
- Controlling inflation: 17% strongly approve, 22% somewhat approve, 22% somewhat disapprove, 37% strongly disapprove, 3% don't know/refused to answer.
Elections
How likely, if at all, are you to vote in the next national election scheduled for January 2024?

- **Very likely**: 57%
- **Somewhat likely**: 35%
- **Somewhat unlikely**: 4%
- **Very unlikely**: 2%
- **Don't know/Refused to answer**: 3%
If you do not vote, what would be the primary reason why?
(Of those responding “somewhat” or “very” unlikely to vote, or Don’t Know/Refused to answer; spontaneous response; n=401)

- Someone else voted in my name last time: 55%
- Not a registered voter/No National Identity Card: 13%
- Unable to vote for my preferred candidate: 12%
- My family told me not to vote: 3%
- Threatened by a party: 3%
- Not registered to vote in this locality: 3%
- Sick/Old: 2%
- I have to work: 2%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 9%
Do you feel that the upcoming elections will be free and fair or not?

- Definitely free and fair: 25%
- Probably free and fair: 21%
- Probably not free and fair: 18%
- Definitely not free and fair: 11%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 26%
Would you like to see new political parties in future elections or are you satisfied with the current choices?

- April 2023: 34% (I would like to see new political parties), 59% (I am satisfied with the current choices), 7% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- September 2019: 21% (I would like to see new political parties), 66% (I am satisfied with the current choices), 14% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- May 2018: 16% (I would like to see new political parties), 59% (I am satisfied with the current choices), 26% (Don't know/Refused to answer)

Note: The April 2023 sample-frame was updated to reflect the new 2021 census data; resulting demographic shifts in the sample may impact trend data.
How important is it to you that the Awami League-led Government seek input from other political parties and include them in the decision-making process?

- Very important: 45%
- Somewhat important: 5%
- Not important at all: 8%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 5%
- Very important: 42%
Which of the following systems do you believe is the best way to ensure a fair national election?

- Reinstate the caretaker government system prior to the election: 44%
- Install a unity government system prior to the election in which all parties - including opposition parties - are represented: 25%
- Allow whatever party is in power to oversee the administration of the election: 25%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 6%
In your opinion, do you believe that the opposition parties should participate in national elections even if a caretaker system is not in place?

- **30%** I strongly believe that opposition parties should participate in national elections even if a caretaker system is not in place
- **25%** I somewhat believe that opposition parties should participate in national elections
- **22%** I somewhat believe that opposition parties should NOT participate in national elections
- **16%** I strongly believe that opposition parties should NOT participate in national elections
- **6%** Don't know/Refused to answer
If there are two candidates running for office and they have the same qualifications aside from the fact that one is a man and one is a woman, which candidate are you more likely to support?

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Legend:
- Green: Man
- Black: Woman
- Blue: It does not make a difference to me
- Gray: Don't know/Refused to answer
How likely, if at all, are you to engage in the following political activities?

- **Contact an elected official with a complaint or request**
  - Very likely: 14%
  - Somewhat likely: 15%
  - Somewhat unlikely: 17%
  - Strongly unlikely: 50%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 3%

- **Attend a party campaign rally**
  - Very likely: 13%
  - Somewhat likely: 15%
  - Somewhat unlikely: 16%
  - Strongly unlikely: 51%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 5%

- **Participate in a political protest**
  - Very likely: 13%
  - Somewhat likely: 14%
  - Somewhat unlikely: 17%
  - Strongly unlikely: 52%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 4%

- **Post about politics on social media**
  - Very likely: 7%
  - Somewhat likely: 15%
  - Somewhat unlikely: 17%
  - Strongly unlikely: 56%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 5%

- **Participate in a hartel***
  - Very likely: 5%
  - Somewhat likely: 13%
  - Somewhat unlikely: 17%
  - Strongly unlikely: 60%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 6%

*Form of mass protest, similar to a general strike, often involving violence*
Foreign Relations
I am now going to read you a list of countries. For each one, please tell me if you think that country is having a positive or negative impact on Bangladesh, and whether that is a very or somewhat positive/negative impact.
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India
2023 and 2019 Comparison

Apr 2023
- Very positive: 24%
- Somewhat positive: 26%
- Somewhat negative: 20%
- Very negative: 17%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 13%

Sept 2019
- Very positive: 23%
- Somewhat positive: 29%
- Somewhat negative: 10%
- Very negative: 10%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 28%

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I am now going to read you a list of countries. For each one, please tell me if you think that country is having a positive or negative impact on Bangladesh, and whether that is a very or somewhat positive/negative impact.

China
2023 and 2019 Comparison

Apr 2023
- Very positive: 23%
- Somewhat positive: 32%
- Somewhat negative: 15%
- Very negative: 14%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 17%

Sept 2019
- Very positive: 18%
- Somewhat positive: 29%
- Somewhat negative: 10%
- Very negative: 8%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 36%

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I am now going to read you a list of countries. For each one, please tell me if you think that country is having a positive or negative impact on Bangladesh, and whether that is a very or somewhat positive/negative impact.

United States
2023 and 2019 Comparison

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Thinking now about the Rohingya refugee crisis, which of the following statements comes closest to your own opinion?

- The Rohingya refugees should be sent back to Myanmar immediately: 68%
- The Rohingya refugees should stay in Bangladesh until it is safe for them to return to Myanmar: 26%
- The Rohingya refugees should be allowed to stay in Bangladesh permanently: 5%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 2%
Thinking now about your media habits, from which type of media are you most likely to get your news?

- TV: 74%
- Social media: 14%
- Internet other than social media: 7%
- Newspaper: 2%
- Radio: 1%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 2%
Thinking now about your media habits, from which type of media are you most likely to get your news?

- **TV**: 85% (All Respondents), 80% (18-35), 66% (36-55), 74% (56+)
- **Social media**: 19% (All Respondents), 14% (18-35), 10% (36-55), 7% (56+)
- **Internet other than social media**: 7% (All Respondents), 6% (18-35), 11% (36-55), 7% (56+)
- **Newspaper**: 3% (All Respondents), 2% (18-35), 2% (36-55), 1% (56+)
- **Radio**: 3% (All Respondents), 1% (18-35), 1% (36-55), 1% (56+)
- **Don't know/Refused to answer**: 2% (All Respondents), 2% (18-35), 2% (36-55), 2% (56+).
Which of the following news and political television programs do you watch to get election information?

(Multiple responses allowed; number shown is the total number of respondents naming each item)

- Newscasts: 66%
- News reports: 36%
- Political talk shows: 34%
- Candidate debates: 17%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 3%
Do you use Facebook?

- Yes: 60%
- No: 40%
- <1%
How often do you use Facebook?

(Asked of those who responded that they used Facebook; n=2,003)

- Almost everyday: 88%
- At least once a week: 7%
- At least once a month: 1%
- Rarely, if ever: 4%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 1%
Do you have access to the Internet, either on a phone or a computer?

- Yes: 57%
- No: 42%
- <1% Don’t know/Refused to answer
How often do you use the Internet?

(Asked of those who have access to the Internet; n=2,111)

- Almost everyday: 86%
- At least once a week: 6%
- At least once a month: 1%
- Rarely, if ever: 7%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 1%
Demographics
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