Sabah State Voter Opinion Survey
6th - 17th September 2012
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Methodology

1. 829 voters aged 21 and above were interviewed via telephone.

2. The survey covers respondents in Sabah state.

3. Voters were selected through random stratified sampling method along the lines of ethnicity, gender, age and state.

4. Survey margin of error estimated at ±3.40%

5. The survey was conducted between 6th – 17th September 2012.

Note: Total percentages presented may or may not add up to 100% due to rounding up of figures.
Respondent Profile

Ethnicity

- Muslim Bumiputera: 29
- Non-Muslim Bumiputera: 20
- Chinese: 51

Gender

- Male: 50
- Female: 50

Religion

- Islam: 51
- Buddhism: 11
- Christianity: 3
- None: 3

Ethnicity Group

- Kadazan/Dusun: 29
- Chinese: 18
- Bajau: 17
- Malay: 13
- Bugis: 6
- Murut: 4
- Brunei: 3
- Others: 10

Age

- 21-30: 16
- 31-40: 35
- 41-50: 25
- 51-60: 16
- > 60: 9

Household income (RM)

- <751: 24
- 751-1,500: 22
- 1,501-3,000: 22
- 3,001-5,000: 13
- >5,001: 13
- Refuse/Unsure: 6
Respondent Profile (Continued)

### Occupation
- Govt/GLC: 31
- Private: 34
- Self employed: 35
- Homemaker: 21
- Retired: 6
- Students/Unemployed: 3

### Voting Status
- Every election: 79
- Every other election: 11
- Never voted before: 10

### Education Level
- No formal education: 4
- Primary school: 15
- Secondary school: 54
- Diploma & equivalent: 15
- Degree and above: 12

### Setting
- Urban: 54
- Rural: 46

### Internet Access
- With internet access: 48
- Without internet access: 52

### Marital Status
- Single: 14
- Married: 80
- Divorced: 2
- Widowed: 4

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Economic Sentiments
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Voter perceptions over the economy and personal financial conditions have deteriorated significantly since 2009.

**Summary**

- Majority of respondents were dissatisfied with all the economic parameters queried.
- This represents a marked decline compared to the last survey carried out in 2009.
- Satisfaction with the state economy has plummeted by 25% to 39% and with their personal incomes by 15% to 40%.
- These sentiments are widespread across all communities including Muslim Bumiputeras.

Q: How far are you satisfied/dissatisfied with issues relating to the current Sabah state’s economy?
Evaluation on Economic Sentiments
Nov 09- Sept 12

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Satisfaction with Sabah State Economy

Majority now dissatisfied with domestic economic conditions

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Perception on the Economy: Personal Finances

Household financial situation one year ago

Only one in every three voters express optimism over their personal financial condition

Q: Would you say that you and your family are financially better off, just the same or worse off than you were one year ago?
Perception of Sabah State Economic Management
Nov 2009- Sept 2012 (across ethnic groups)

Q: How satisfied or not satisfied are you with the way the state government is managing the economy?
Evaluation of Leadership
Performance of the State Government

Q: How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the performance of BN state government in managing Sabah today?

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- 56% Satisfied
- 40% Dissatisfied
- 27% Somewhat satisfied
- 13% Very satisfied
- 3% Unsure
- 3% Somewhat dissatisfied
- 1% Very dissatisfied
- 1% Refuse
Performance of the State Government

Split views on state government performance along ethnic line and income level. Muslim and Non Muslim Bumiputera have slightly higher than 50% confidence for BN state government in managing Sabah today.

Q: How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the performance of BN state government in managing Sabah today?
Q: How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the performance of Musa Aman as the Chief Minister of Sabah today?

MB=Muslim Bumiputera; NMB=Non Muslim Bumiputera

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Q: How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the performance of Najib Razak as Prime Minister?
Performance of the Prime Minister

Positive and stability performance. Positive toward performance of the PM by Muslim Bumiputera and Non Muslim Bumiputera, Rural, voters >40 and income <RM1500

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