

CMS ENVIRONMENT OPINION POLL ON COPENHAGEN CLIMATE CHANGE SUMMIT

❖ Why this survey?

- The debate, negotiations, discussions and all possible politics is ON in the most important happening, UN climate change summit in Copenhagen from 7-18 December 2009. India is under tremendous pressure to sign the international treaty. In fact the debate in parliament and Mr Jairam Ramesh, Hon'ble state Minister for environment and forests response for a voluntary cut in Carbon dioxide emissions are significant developments. In the present time, it is appropriate to seek people's response to the whole debate on climate change. CMS Environment, premier research organisation in India is conducting a climate change survey to present a collective opinion and views on climate change, UN Climate Copenhagen Summit and India's stand on the emission cut.

❖ Survey duration?

- The online survey was conducted from Dec 10-Dec 15, at a time when deliberations at the Copenhagen Summit are at the centre of World's attraction.

❖ What we will do with it?

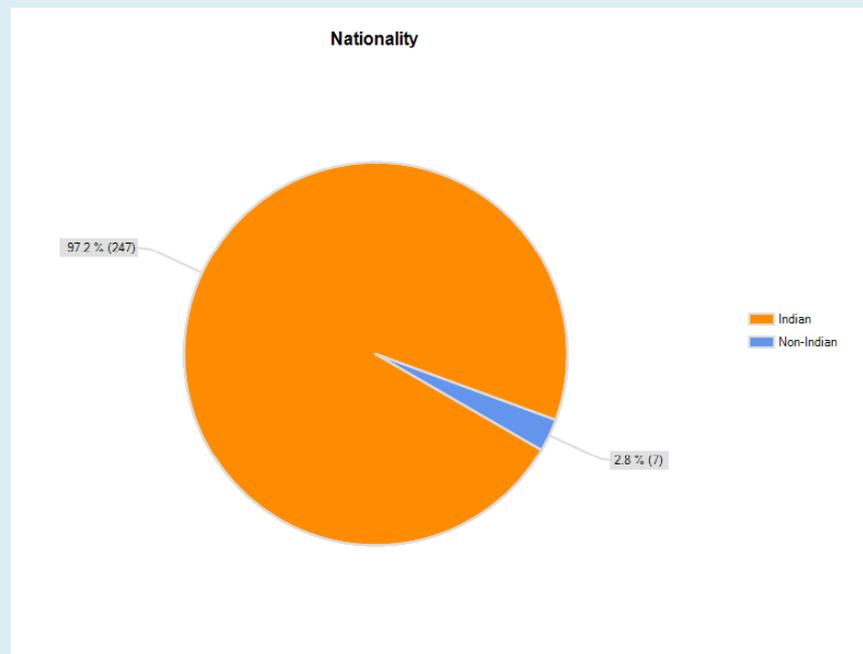
- These findings and people's voice will be presented to the Environment Minister, policy makers and Media.

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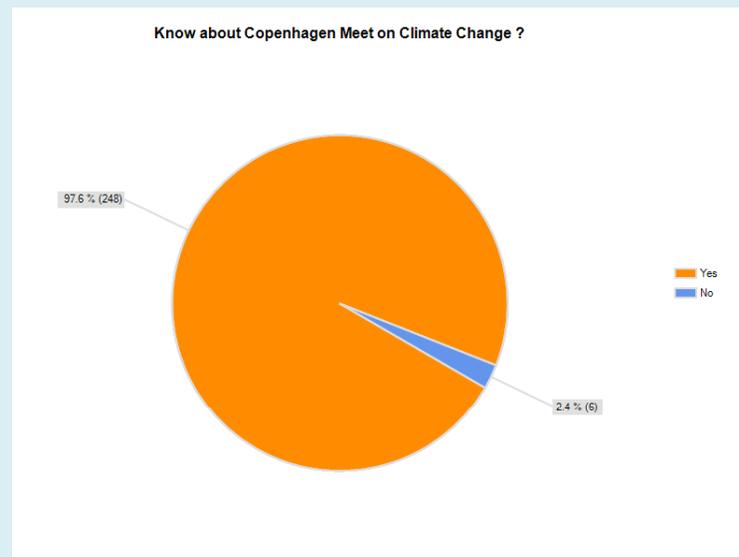
❖ Key outcomes of this survey:

- A majority of the respondents were Indian.
- 97.6% of the respondent knew about Copenhagen Summit.
- Although respondents are divided on the outcome of the Copenhagen Summit. Nearly half of the respondents (47%) think that India will benefit from the outcome of Copenhagen Summit.
- 71% of the respondent support government's stand at Copenhagen. However a majority of people do not understand the implication of carbon emission cuts.
- Only 47% respondents think that India is not under pressure. That implies that a majority of people think India is under pressure from the developed countries
- The opinion is not clear. 27% say that it will open new opportunities. But at the same time 22% say that India should not go for voluntary cut.
- 90% of the respondents think that we are not doing enough to safeguard our environment.
- A majority of respondents (76%) said that developed countries are trying to impose their policies.
- More than half of the respondents knew what could be the implications of reduction in carbon intensity.
- 2/3 of the respondents think that climate change is going to effect our economy, health, agriculture and other sectors. Most of the respondents said that sectors like health and economy would be worst affected.

Nationality		
	Response Percent	Response Count
Indian 	97.2%	247
Non-Indian 	2.8%	7
<i>answered question</i>		254
<i>skipped question</i>		0

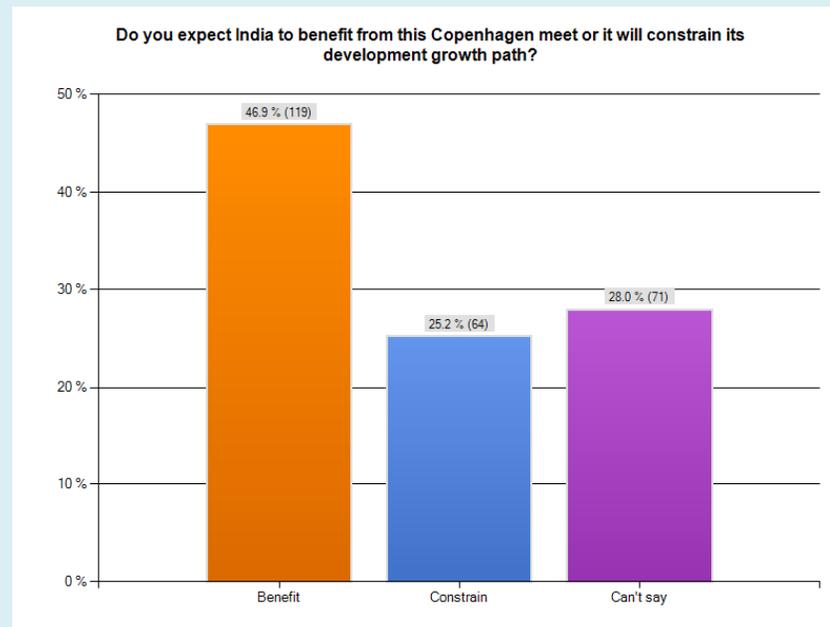


Know about Copenhagen Meet on Climate Change ?		
	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes 	97.6%	248
No 	2.4%	6
<i>answered question</i>		254
<i>skipped question</i>		0





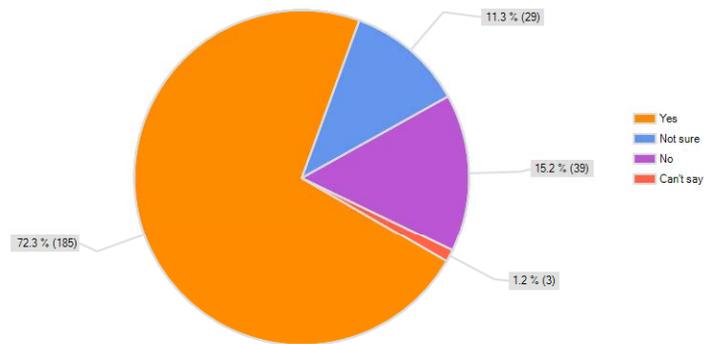
Do you expect India to benefit from this Copenhagen meet or it will constrain its development growth path?		
	Response Percent	Response Count
Benefit 	46.9%	119
Constrain 	25.2%	64
Can't say 	28.0%	71
<i>answered question</i>		254
<i>skipped question</i>		0



Do you support Indian Government's approach for Copenhagen meet and strategy to voluntarily reduce emissions by 20 – 25 percent?

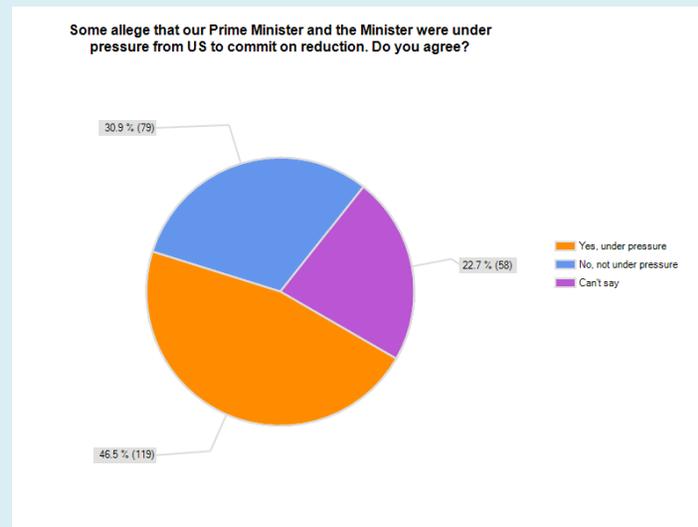
	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes 	72.0%	183
Not sure 	11.4%	29
No 	15.4%	39
Can't say 	1.2%	3
<i>answered question</i>		254
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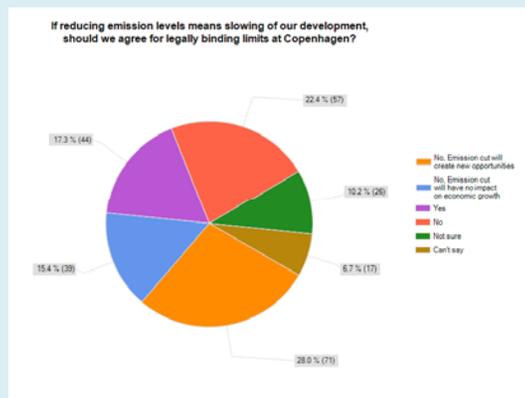


Some allege that our Prime Minister and the Minister were under pressure from US to commit on reduction. Do you agree?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes, under pressure	46.9%	119
No, not under pressure	30.3%	77
Can't say	22.8%	58
<i>answered question</i>		254
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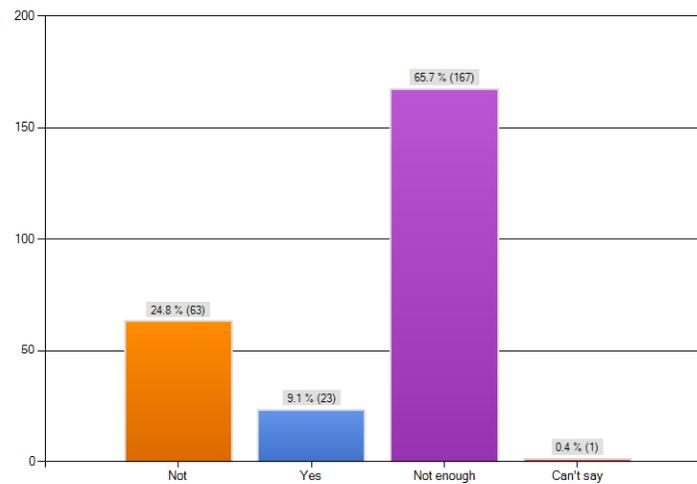
If reducing emission levels means slowing of our development, should we agree for legally binding limits at Copenhagen?		
		Response Percent Response Count
No, Emission cut will create new opportunities		28.0% 71
No, Emission cut will have no impact on economic growth		15.4% 39
Yes		17.3% 44
No		22.4% 57
Not sure		10.2% 26
Can't say		6.7% 17
<i>answered question</i>		254
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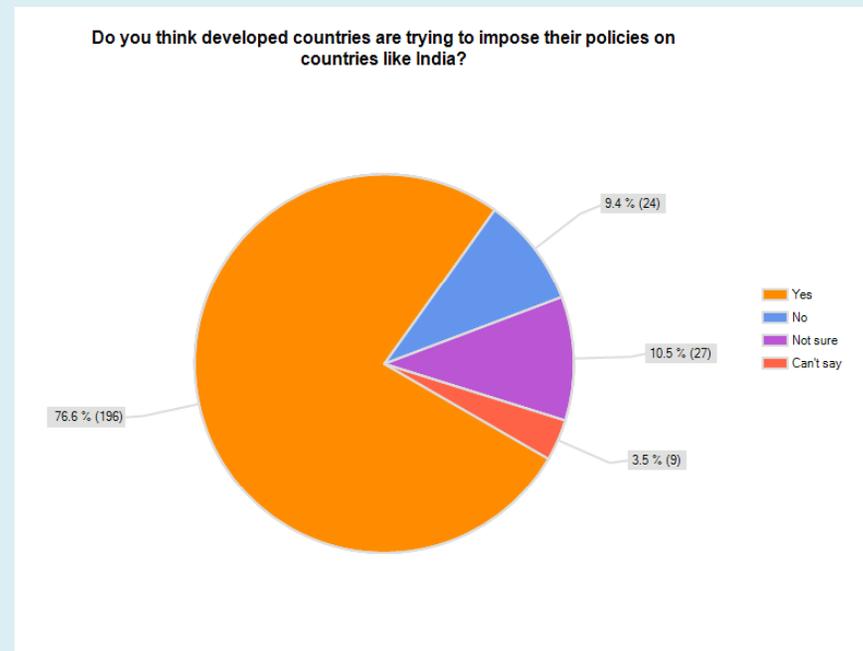
As a nation are we doing enough on our own to safeguard our environment good for our children / grandchildren?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Not	24.8%	63
Yes	9.1%	23
Not enough	65.7%	167
Can't say	0.4%	1
<i>answered question</i>		254
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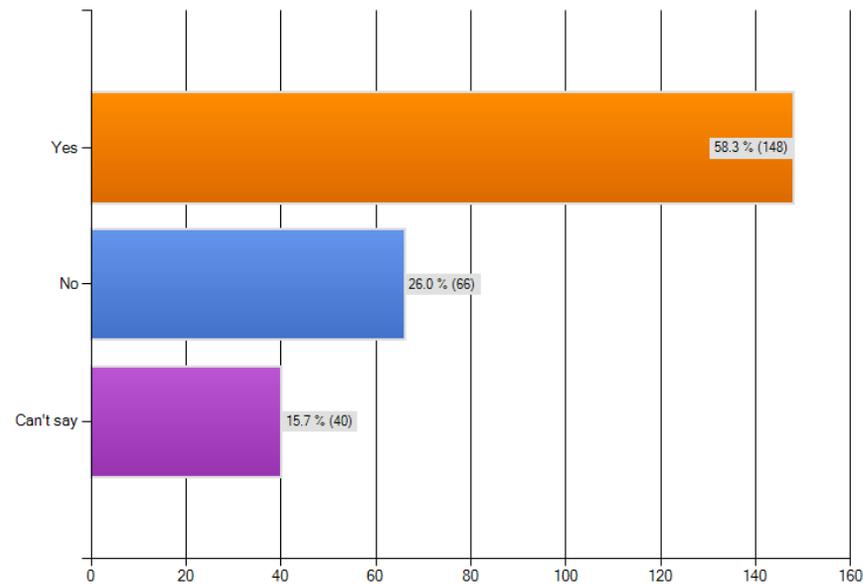
Do you think developed countries are trying to impose their policies on countries like India?		
	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes 	76.4%	194
No 	9.4%	24
Not sure 	10.6%	27
Can't say 	3.5%	9
<i>answered question</i>		254
<i>skipped question</i>		0



Do you know that reduction in carbon intensity implies heavy expenditure and even restrain our industry and agriculture productivity?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	58.3%	148
No	26.0%	66
Can't say	15.7%	40
<i>answered question</i>		254
<i>skipped question</i>		0

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Where or what aspect do you expect the climate change policies will effect more?		
	Response Percent	Response Count
Economic growth	50.0%	127
Prices	37.4%	95
Health	50.4%	128
Can't say	7.5%	19
	Other (please specify)	55
answered question		254
skipped question		0

