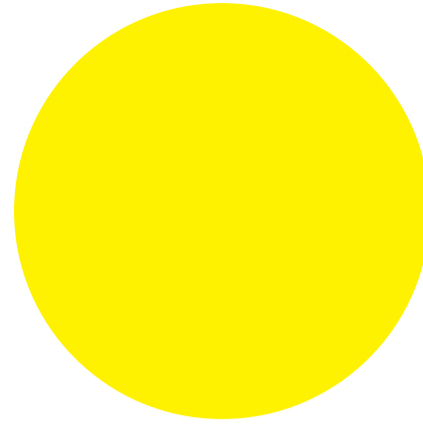


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Bibi's Credibility in Decline

Israel's polls show major drop in Netanyahu's popularity

International Desk

Since the beginning of Israel's brutal aggression on the Gaza Strip, several opinion polls have been conducted in Israel over the popularity and performance of the regime's prime minister, and almost all of them have shown a major decline in his credibility.

Usually in wars the countries' leaders get a popularity boost, while polls in Israel show the opposite.

The latest survey conducted by researchers at Bar Ilan University in Tel Aviv shows that less than four percent of Jewish Israelis trust Benjamin Netanyahu as the most reliable source of information regarding the ongoing conflict between Israel and Palestinian resistance fighters in the Gaza Strip.

The survey examined the consumption of news and information in the first four weeks of the conflict.

Another poll released on November 3, nearly one month after the conflict erupted, showed that only 27% of Israelis believe that longtime prime minister is the right person to run the governing coalition.

The poll conducted by the Lazar Research Institute for Israeli daily Maariv found that 49% of Israelis believe that Benny Gantz, leader of the National Unity Party, is the best figure to lead the coalition.

The poll showed a steep collapse in the popularity of the Likud Party led by Netanyahu.

On Thursday, Israeli opposition leader Yair Lapid called for the removal of Netanyahu, saying "the time has come" for a new coalition in Israel.

Lapid laid out his vision for a reconstruction coalition, which he said would be led by another leader from Netanyahu's right-wing Likud Party, but would neither include the prime minister nor "the extremists."

"Netanyahu has lost the trust of his citizens, the trust of the international community and, most seriously, the trust of the security system," he added.

A Likud statement said, "It is regrettable and shameful that Lapid is engaging in politics during a time of war."

Lapid's comments come as public anger toward Netanyahu continues to grow in Israel. After Hamas's October 7 operation on the occupied territory, which killed an estimated 1,200 Israelis – the Israeli society has been extremely divided, with a large majority of Israelis saying Netanyahu is somewhat responsible for the attack.

Some of Netanyahu's critics allege his hyper-focus on judicial reforms, which triggered months of anti-Netanyahu protests in Israel, could have caused the failure to anticipate the Hamas Operation Al-Aqsa Storm.

The vast majority of Israelis believe he should publicly accept responsibility for the staggering failures that led to Hamas's operation, according to an opinion poll by the Maariv newspaper on October 20.

West not qualified to preach human rights: *Tehran*

Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Nasser Kanaani rebuked Western countries for drafting and voting for an anti-Iran UN resolution, saying they are not qualified to preach human rights to Iranians. In response to the anti-Iran resolution in the Third Committee of the United Nations General Assembly on Thursday, Kanaani said countries that have a long history of systemic human rights violations and crimes against nations are in no position to give human rights advice to the Iranian government and people. 2 >

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