

MEDIA RELEASE

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RE: Pulse Asia Research's November 2024 Nationwide Survey on the Performance and Trustworthiness Ratings of the Top Philippine Government Officials and the Performance Ratings of the National Administration

Pulse Asia Research, Inc. is pleased to share some findings on the *Performance and Trustworthiness Ratings of the Top Philippine Government Officials and the Performance Ratings of the National Administration* from the November 2024 *Ulat ng Bayan* national survey. We request that you assist us in informing the public by disseminating this information.

The survey fieldwork was conducted from **November 26 to December 3, 2024** using face-to-face interviews. This nationwide survey is based on a sample of 2,400 representative adults 18 years old and above. It has a $\pm 2\%$ error margin at the 95% confidence level. Subnational estimates for each of the geographic areas covered in the survey (i.e., Metro Manila, the rest of Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao) have a $\pm 4\%$ error margin, also at 95% confidence level. Those interested in further technical details may refer to our website (www.pulseasia.ph)

The following are some of the key developments that took place in the weeks immediately prior to and during the conduct of the survey interviews:

1. Two (2) impeachment complaints against the Vice-President were filed with the House of Representatives in the first week of December 2024. Among the grounds for impeachment cited in these complaints are culpable violation of the 1987 Philippine Constitution, graft and corruption, bribery, and betrayal of public trust. Malacañang has denied any involvement in these complaints. These complaints were filed following the Vice-President's continued refusal to explain the use of the confidential funds as well as alleged misuse of the budgets of the Office of the Vice-President (OVP) and the Department of Education (DepEd).

In other developments, the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) issued a subpoena to the Vice-President for her to appear before the agency and explain her side regarding a claim she made that she hired an assassin to kill the President, the First Lady, and the House Speaker if she gets killed. Meanwhile, the Quezon City Police District (QCPD) filed a criminal complaint against the Vice-President related to her attempt to prevent the transfer of her chief of staff from the custody of the House of Representatives to the Correctional Institution for Women (CIW).

2. Amidst the continuing tension in the West Philippine Sea (WPS), the President signed two (2) laws on 08 November 2024 defining the extent and boundaries of Philippine maritime zones based on international law and the 2016 arbitral tribunal ruling – Republic Act (RA) No. 12064 or the Philippine Maritime Zones Act and RA No. 12065 or the Archipelagic Sea Lanes Act.
3. To further encourage investments in the country, the President signed on 11 November 2024 the Corporate Recovery and Tax Incentives to Maximize Opportunities for Reinvigorating the Economy (CREATE MORE) Act that seeks to transform the Philippines into a key destination for investments.
4. The President issued Executive Order (EO) No. 74 calling for a ban on Philippine offshore gaming operations (POGOs) nationwide. Applications for new licenses as well as for other licenses, permits, or authorizations for POGOs and other offshore gaming-related services will no longer be allowed while existing business have to close shop by 31 December 2024.
5. Former President Rodrigo R. Duterte finally appeared on 11 November 2024 before the Quad Committee of the House of Representatives that is investigating the reported abuses linked to his administration’s “war on drugs”. During the said hearing the ex-President dared the International Criminal Court (ICC) to come to the Philippines to investigate him for his alleged crimes against humanity related to his administration’s anti-illegal drugs campaign.

The latter also found himself in hot water with the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) for remarks he made during a press conference in Davao wherein he called on the military to protect the Constitution given the fractured state of the government. He also asked the military until when it will continue to support “a drug addict of a President”. For his part, Executive Secretary Lucas Bersamin called the latter’s remarks as unacceptable and said he is only calling on the military to withdraw support from the President for selfish reasons, that is, to allow the Vice-President, the former President’s daughter, to take over the presidency.

6. The Commission on Elections (COMELEC) has trimmed down the list of senatorial candidates for the May 2025 polls from 183 to 66. In declaring 77 senatorial aspirants as nuisance candidates, the COMELEC said it looked into these individuals’ “propensity to

serve the public”, indications of having an “ideology, political ideas, or platform of government”, and membership in a political party, among others.

7. The Manila Electric Company (Meralco) announced a power rate hike in November 2024 due to an increase in the generation charge that, in turn, is attributed to the depreciation of the peso. Toward the end of the month, the local currency was at its lowest level in more than two (2) years (i.e., ₱ 59) vis-à-vis the American dollar. Also this month, the government disclosed that the inflation rate increased to 2.3% in October 2024 from 1.95 in September 2024 mainly because of higher inflation in food and non-alcoholic beverages.
8. On 05 November 2024, the United States (US) had its presidential election with former United States (US) President Donald Trump returning to the White House as he secured 312 electoral votes while current US Vice-President Kamala Harris obtained 226 electoral votes. Meanwhile, US President Joe Biden issued an official pardon for his son, Hunter Biden, who was facing tax and firearms-related charges.

Pulse Asia Research’s pool of academic fellows takes full responsibility for the design and conduct of the survey and for analyses it makes based on the survey data. In keeping with our academic nature, no religious, political, economic, or partisan group influenced any of these processes. Pulse Asia Research undertakes *Ulat ng Bayan* surveys independently without any party singularly commissioning the research effort.

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Pulse Asia Research's November 2024 Ulat ng Bayan Survey:
Media Release on the Performance and Trustworthiness Ratings of the
Top Philippine Government Officials and the
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Approval and trust are the prevailing sentiments only toward Senate President Francis Joseph G. Escudero (53% and 51%, respectively)

Among the leading officials of the national government, only Senate President Francis Joseph G. Escudero enjoys majority approval and trust scores (53% and 51%, respectively). Near majority approval and trust ratings are obtained by the President (48% and 47%, respectively) and the Vice-President (50% and 49%, respectively). Indecision is the plurality opinion regarding the performance and trustworthiness of House Speaker Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez (both at 44%). (Please refer to Tables 1 and 2.)

Table 1
AWARENESS & PERFORMANCE RATINGS
OF TOP NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS
November 26 - December 3, 2024 / Philippines / PR1&2
(Row Percent)

Top National Government Officials	Aware	Base: Aware		
		Approval	Undecided	Disapproval
FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR. (President)	100	48	27	25
SARA DUTERTE (Vice-President)	100	50	22	28
FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO (Senate President)	100	53	38	9
FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ (Speaker of the House of Representatives)	94	25	44	32

PR1&2. Mayroon ako ritong mga pangalan ng ilang mga kasalukuyang opisyal ng ating pamahalaan. Pakisabi ang inyong opinyon tungkol sa pagganap nila ng kanilang tungkulin nitong huling tatlong buwan. Sa pamamagitan po ng board na ito, kayo ba ay (SHOW AND READ RATING BOARD) kay (NAME) sa kanyang pagganap bilang (POSITION) o wala pa kayong narinig, nabasa o napanood na kahit na ano tungkol sa kanya kahit na kailan?

Notes: (1) % Approve = % Truly Approve plus % Somewhat Approve; % Disapprove = % Somewhat Disapprove plus % Truly Disapprove.
(2) Figures may not add up to 100% due to rounding off.

Table 2
AWARENESS & TRUST RATINGS OF
TOP NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS
November 26 - December 3, 2024 / Philippines / PR1&2
(Row Percent)

Top National Government Officials	Aware	Base : Aware		
		Big Trust	Undecided	Small / No trust
FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR. (President)	100	47	26	27
SARA DUTERTE (Vice-President)	100	49	24	27
FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO (Senate President)	100	51	39	10
FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ (Speaker of the House of Representatives)	94	21	44	35

PR1&2. Nais sana naming tanungin kayo tungkol sa pagtitiwala ninyo sa ilang mga tao sa ating lipunan.

Q31,30. Sa pamamagitan po ng board na ito, maaari bang pakisabi kung gaano kalaki o kaliit ang inyong pagtitiwala kay/sa [PERSONALIDAD]? Masasabi ba ninyo na ito ay (SHOW AND READ RATING BOARD)?

Notes: (1) % Big Trust = % Very Big Trust plus % Big Trust ; % Small/No Trust = % Small Trust plus %Very Small/None Trust.

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Levels of disapproval for the work done by these top government officials range from 9% for Senate President Escudero to 32% for House Speaker Romualdez. In terms of these officials' distrust figures, they vary from 10% for the Senate President to 35% for the House Speaker.

None of these officials obtain majority approval and trust ratings across all geographic and socio-economic subgroupings. The President has majority approval and trust scores only in Metro Manila (51% and 53%, respectively) and the rest of Luzon (65% and 62%, respectively), and Class D (51%). Approval and trust are the plurality sentiments toward the latter among Visayans (48% and 45%, respectively) while most Mindanawons are critical of his performance and distrust him (55% and 62%, respectively). (Please refer to Tables 3 and 4.)

Table 3
PERFORMANCE RATINGS OF TOP NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS
November 26 - December 3, 2024 / Philippines / PR1&2
(In Percent)

	RP	LOCATION				CLASS		
		BAL				ABC	D	E
		NCR	LUZ	VIS	MIN			
APPROVAL								
PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.	48	51	65	48	14	39	51	35
VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE	50	34	40	51	80	44	49	68
SENATE PRESIDENT FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO	53	60	53	58	44	45	54	48
HOUSE SPEAKER FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ	25	24	29	29	13	20	25	22
UNDECIDED								
PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.	27	23	24	29	31	29	26	31
VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE	22	23	24	23	16	26	22	19
SENATE PRESIDENT FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO	38	30	40	37	42	36	38	42
HOUSE SPEAKER FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ	44	49	50	35	36	38	45	38
DISAPPROVAL								
PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.	25	25	11	23	55	32	23	34
VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE	28	43	36	26	4	30	29	13
SENATE PRESIDENT FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO	9	10	7	5	14	18	8	10
HOUSE SPEAKER FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ	32	27	21	36	52	42	30	40

PR1&2. Mayroon ako ritong mga pangalan ng ilang mga kasalukuyang opisyal ng ating pamahalaan. Pakisabi ang inyong opinyon tungkol Q30,29. Sa pagganap nila ng kanilang tungkulin nitong huling tatlong buwan. Sa pamamagitan po ng board na ito, kayo ba ay (SHOW AND READ RATING BOARD) kay (NAME) sa kanyang pagganap bilang (POSITION) o wala pa kayong narinig, nabasa o napanood na kahit na ano tungkol sa kanya kahit na kailan?

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Table 4
TRUST RATINGS OF TOP NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS
November 26 - December 3, 2024 / Philippines / PR1&2
(In Percent)

	RP	LOCATION				CLASS		
		BAL				ABC	D	E
		NCR	LUZ	VIS	MIN			
TRUST								
PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.	47	53	62	45	14	40	49	33
VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE	49	34	37	47	81	43	47	67
SENATE PRESIDENT FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO	51	60	54	54	38	45	52	51
HOUSE SPEAKER FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ	21	21	24	25	14	17	22	20
UNDECIDED								
PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.	26	22	27	30	24	24	26	34
VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE	24	24	29	26	15	25	25	22
SENATE PRESIDENT FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO	39	29	40	39	45	38	40	36
HOUSE SPEAKER FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ	44	50	53	37	30	37	45	39
DISTRUST								
PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.	27	24	11	25	62	36	26	32
VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE	27	43	34	27	5	32	29	11
SENATE PRESIDENT FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO	10	11	6	7	17	17	9	12
HOUSE SPEAKER FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ	35	29	24	38	56	45	33	41

PR1&2. Nais sana naming tanungin kayo tungkol sa pagitiwala ninyo sa ilang mga tao sa ating lipunan. Q31,30. Sa pamamagitan po ng board na ito, maaari bang pakisabi kung gaano kalaki o kaliit ang inyong pagitiwala kay/sa [PERSONALIDAD]? Masasabi ba ninyo na ito ay (SHOW AND READ RATING BOARD)?

Notes: (1) % Big Trust = % Very Big Trust plus % Big Trust ; % Small/No Trust = % Small Trust plus %Very Small/None Trust.
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In Class ABC, the President registers almost the same approval and disapproval figures (39% versus 32%) as well as trust and distrust ratings (40% versus 36%). Appreciation for the latter's work is expressed by a bare majority of those in Class D (51%) while trust is the plurality sentiment toward him in the same subgrouping (49%). As for those in Class E, there is a three-way split in public opinion concerning presidential performance (35% approval, 31% indecision, and 34% disapproval) and trustworthiness (33% trust, 34% indecision, and 32% distrust).

The Vice-President records her only majority approval and trust ratings in Mindanao (80% and 81%, respectively) and Class E (68% and 67%, respectively). While the latter has a bare majority approval figure in the Visayas (51%), trust in her is expressed by less than half of Visayans (47%). Big pluralities in Metro Manila have negative views about vice-presidential work and trustworthiness (both at 43%). In the rest of Luzon, the Vice-President posts nearly the same approval and disapproval figures (40% versus 36%) while a three-way split may be observed in public sentiment toward her trustworthiness (37% trust, 29% indecision, and 34% distrust).

Basically the same percentages of those in Class ABC either approve or disapprove vice-presidential performance (44% versus 30%) and either trust or distrust her (43% versus 32%). Meanwhile, near majorities of those belonging to Class D are appreciative of the latter's quarterly performance (49%) and express trust in her (47%).

Majority approval and trust scores are enjoyed by the Senate President in Metro Manila (both at 60%), the rest of Luzon (53% and 54%, respectively), the Visayas (58% and 54%, respectively) and Class D (54% and 52%, respectively). Similarly, trust is the predominant sentiment toward the lawmaker in Class E (51%) but less than half of those in this subgrouping approve of the work he has done in the previous quarter (48%). In Mindanao and Class ABC, the latter registers virtually the same approval and indecision figures (44% to 45% versus 36% to 42%) and trust and indecision scores (38% to 45% versus 38% to 45%).

Most Mindanawons are critical of the performance of the House Speaker (52%) and distrust him (56%). A small majority of those in the rest of Luzon cannot say if they trust or distrust the lawmaker (53%) while indecision is the plurality sentiment toward his performance in the same geographic area (50%). Likewise, ambivalence toward the House Speaker's work and trustworthiness are the plurality views in Metro Manila (49% and 50%, respectively) and Class D (both at 45%).

In the Visayas, there is a three-way divide in public opinion concerning the legislator's performance (29% approval, 35% indecision, and 36% disapproval) while nearly the same distrust and indecision ratings obtain in this area (38% versus 37%). Essentially the same disapproval and indecision figures are recorded by the House Speaker in Class ABC (42% versus 38%) and Class E (40% versus 38%). The legislator also has about the same distrust and indecision scores in the former (45% versus 37%) and the latter (41% versus 39%).

Notable changes in public opinion regarding the work and trustworthiness of these leading government officials occur between September 2024 and November 2024 both at the national level and across selected survey subgroupings

Overall, appreciation for and trust in three (3) top officials of the Philippines government become less pronounced during the period September 2024 to November 2024 – the Vice-President (-10 and -12 percentage points, respectively), the Senate President (-7 and -5 percentage points, respectively), and the House Speaker (-7 and -10 percentage points, respectively). On the other hand, disapproval for and distrust become more marked toward the Vice-President (+11 and +10 percentage points, respectively) and the House Speaker (+8 and +10 percentage points, respectively). *(Please refer to Tables 3 and 6.)*

From September 2024 to November 2024, the only other significant changes at the national level are the increase in the level of ambivalence regarding the quarterly performance of Senate President Escudero (+6 percentage points) and the rise in the distrust rating of the President (+5 percentage points).

The President experiences an increase in his disapproval and distrust scores in Mindanao (+12 and +14 percentage points, respectively) and Class D (+5 and +7 percentage points, respectively) between September 2024 and November 2024. Conversely, presidential approval and trust figures drop in Class E (-12 and -14 percentage points, respectively). Additionally, appreciation for presidential work eases in Mindanao (-12 percentage points).

Negative views as regards the performance and trustworthiness of the Vice-President become more notable during this period in the rest of Luzon (+14 and +12 percentage points, respectively), Visayas (+14 and +16 percentage points, respectively), and Class D (both at +10 percentage points). Meanwhile, her trust rating in the rest of Luzon declines (-10 percentage points). As for Metro Manilans, they become more critical of the Vice-President's work (+9 percentage points). In terms of indecision, Mindanawons become more ambivalent toward the latter's performance (+9 percentage points) but the level of indecision about her trustworthiness increases in the Visayas (+11 percentage points).

Senate President Escudero's disapproval and distrust ratings are virtually unchanged between September 2024 and November 2024. However, the lawmaker's approval and trust figures decrease in Mindanao (-15 and -19 percentage points, respectively) and Class D (-7 and -5 percentage points, respectively). Appreciation for the latter's performance also becomes less marked in Class E (-11 percentage points). As far as indecision toward his work and trustworthiness are concerned, it becomes more manifest in Mindanao (both at +12 percentage points) and Class D (+7 and +5 percentage points, respectively).

Disapproval for and distrust in House Speaker Romualdez become more pronounced from September 2024 to November 2024 in the Visayas (+20 and +24 percentage points, respectively), Mindanao (+13 and +11 percentage points, respectively), and Class D (+8 and +9 percentage points, respectively). The lawmaker also experiences an increase in his disapproval score in Class E (+12 percentage points). In contrast, approval for and trust in the latter become less marked in the Visayas (-13 and -14 percentage points, respectively),

Mindanao (-12 and -10 percentage points, respectively), and Class D (-9 and -11 percentage points, respectively). The only noticeable movement in ambivalence toward the House Speaker is recorded in the Visayas (-10 percentage points toward his trustworthiness).

Table 5
COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE RATINGS OF
TOP NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS
September and November 2024 / Philippines
(In Percent)

APPROVAL	RP	LOCATION					CLASS		
		BAL					ABC	D	E
		NCR	LUZ	VIS	MIN				
PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.	Nov 24 48 Sep 24 50 Change* - 2	51 52 - 1	65 61 + 4	48 52 - 4	14 26 - 12	39 35 + 4	51 52 - 1	35 47 - 12	
VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE	Nov 24 50 Sep 24 60 Change* - 10	34 36 - 2	40 46 - 6	51 71 - 20	80 93 - 13	44 44 0	49 59 - 10	68 76 - 8	
SENATE PRESIDENT FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO	Nov 24 53 Sep 24 60 Change* - 7	60 65 - 5	53 58 - 5	58 60 - 2	44 59 - 15	45 48 - 3	54 61 - 7	48 59 - 11	
HOUSE SPEAKER FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ	Nov 24 25 Sep 24 32 Change* - 7	24 33 - 9	29 32 - 3	29 42 - 13	13 25 - 12	20 22 - 2	25 34 - 9	22 26 - 4	
UNDECIDED									
PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.	Nov 24 27 Sep 24 29 Change* - 2	23 27 - 4	24 28 - 4	29 30 - 1	31 31 0	29 34 - 5	26 29 - 3	31 24 + 7	
VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE	Nov 24 22 Sep 24 23 Change* - 1	23 30 - 7	24 31 - 7	23 17 + 6	16 7 + 9	26 34 - 8	22 23 - 1	19 18 + 1	
SENATE PRESIDENT FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO	Nov 24 38 Sep 24 32 Change* + 6	30 26 + 4	40 34 + 6	37 32 + 5	42 30 + 12	36 33 + 3	38 31 + 7	42 34 + 8	
HOUSE SPEAKER FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ	Nov 24 44 Sep 24 44 Change* 0	49 43 + 6	50 50 0	35 43 - 8	36 36 0	38 44 - 6	45 44 + 1	38 46 - 8	
DISAPPROVAL									
PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.	Nov 24 25 Sep 24 21 Change* + 4	25 21 + 4	11 10 + 1	23 17 + 6	55 43 + 12	32 31 + 1	23 18 + 5	34 28 + 6	
VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE	Nov 24 28 Sep 24 17 Change* + 11	43 34 + 9	36 22 + 14	26 12 + 14	4 1 + 3	30 22 + 8	29 19 + 10	13 6 + 7	
SENATE PRESIDENT FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO	Nov 24 9 Sep 24 8 Change* + 1	10 9 + 1	7 7 0	5 8 - 3	14 11 + 3	18 19 - 1	8 8 0	10 7 + 3	
HOUSE SPEAKER FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ	Nov 24 32 Sep 24 24 Change* + 8	27 24 + 3	21 18 + 3	36 16 + 20	52 39 + 13	42 34 + 8	30 22 + 8	40 28 + 12	

Notes: (1) *Change = Figures of November 2024 minus Figures of September 2024.

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(4) UB September and November 2024 Survey (PR1&2)

Table 6
COMPARATIVE TRUST RATINGS OF
TOP NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS
September and November 2024 / Philippines
(In Percent)

TRUST		RP	LOCATION					CLASS		
			NCR	BAL			ABC	D	E	
				LUZ	VIS	MIN				
PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.	Nov 24	47	53	62	45	14	40	49	33	
	Sep 24	50	52	64	50	21	38	52	47	
	Change*	- 3	+ 1	- 2	- 5	- 7	+ 2	- 3	- 14	
VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE	Nov 24	49	34	37	47	81	43	47	67	
	Sep 24	61	37	47	74	90	49	59	77	
	Change*	- 12	- 3	- 10	- 27	- 9	- 6	- 12	- 10	
SENATE PRESIDENT FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO	Nov 24	51	60	54	54	38	45	52	51	
	Sep 24	56	63	53	56	57	46	57	57	
	Change*	- 5	- 3	+ 1	- 2	- 19	- 1	- 5	- 6	
HOUSE SPEAKER FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ	Nov 24	21	21	24	25	14	17	22	20	
	Sep 24	31	29	32	39	24	20	33	25	
	Change*	- 10	- 8	- 8	- 14	- 10	- 3	- 11	- 5	
UNDECIDED PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.	Nov 24	26	22	27	30	24	24	26	34	
	Sep 24	28	26	26	32	30	31	29	21	
	Change*	- 2	- 4	+ 1	- 2	- 6	- 7	- 3	+13	
VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE	Nov 24	24	24	29	26	15	25	25	22	
	Sep 24	22	27	30	15	9	33	22	18	
	Change*	+ 2	- 3	- 1	+11	+ 6	- 8	+ 3	+ 4	
SENATE PRESIDENT FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO	Nov 24	39	29	40	39	45	38	40	36	
	Sep 24	35	27	38	38	33	35	35	35	
	Change*	+ 4	+ 2	+ 2	+ 1	+12	+ 3	+ 5	+ 1	
HOUSE SPEAKER FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ	Nov 24	44	50	53	37	30	37	45	39	
	Sep 24	44	47	49	47	32	49	43	44	
	Change*	0	+ 3	+ 4	- 10	- 2	- 12	+ 2	- 5	
DISTRUST PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.	Nov 24	27	24	11	25	62	36	26	32	
	Sep 24	22	22	10	18	48	31	19	31	
	Change*	+ 5	+ 2	+ 1	+ 7	+14	+ 5	+ 7	+ 1	
VICE-PRESIDENT SARA DUTERTE	Nov 24	27	43	34	27	5	32	29	11	
	Sep 24	17	36	22	11	1	18	19	5	
	Change*	+10	+ 7	+12	+16	+ 4	+14	+10	+ 6	
SENATE PRESIDENT FRANCIS JOSEPH G. ESCUDERO	Nov 24	10	11	6	7	17	17	9	12	
	Sep 24	8	10	8	5	10	20	8	7	
	Change*	+ 2	+ 1	- 2	+ 2	+ 7	- 3	+ 1	+ 5	
HOUSE SPEAKER FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ	Nov 24	35	29	24	38	56	45	33	41	
	Sep 24	25	24	19	14	45	31	24	31	
	Change*	+10	+ 5	+ 5	+24	+11	+14	+ 9	+10	

Notes: (1) *Change = Figures of November 2024 minus Figures of September 2024.

(2) % Big Trust = % Very Big Trust plus % Big Trust ; % Small/No Trust = % Small Trust plus %Very Small/None Trust.

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(4) UB September and November 2024 Survey (PR1&2)

The national administration obtains majority approval scores for its handling of only two (2) issues out of the 14 on which its performance is assessed in November 2024; public opinion regarding the work done by the current dispensation is basically constant between September 2024 and November 2024

Most Filipino adults have a positive opinion about the efforts of the incumbent administration to protect the welfare of overseas Filipino workers (60%) and to respond to the needs of calamity-hit areas (57%). On the other hand, disapproval is the predominant sentiment toward the latter's work in controlling the rising prices of basic commodities (82%) – an issue which most adults say the administration should address immediately (74%). *(Please refer to Table 7.)*

Appreciation is the plurality sentiment as regards the administration's initiatives to defend national territorial integrity (50%) and to promote peace (42%). However, near majorities are critical of the latter's work in reducing poverty (50%), increasing workers' pay (45%), and fighting corruption in government (45%). Meanwhile, big pluralities cannot say if they approve or disapprove of the administration's handling of two (2) issues – enforcing the rule of law (45%) and addressing the problem of involuntary hunger (44%).

Almost the same approval and indecision figures are recorded by the present administration on the issues of protecting the environment (40% versus 39%), helping farmers (40% versus 37%), and fighting criminality (37% versus 39%). On the issue of job creation, the latter has around the same disapproval and indecision scores (37% versus 40%).

For the most part, Filipinos' evaluation of the work done by the incumbent national leadership is constant between September 2024 and November 2024. Only a few changes may be noted during this period. Appreciation for the latter's performance eases on the issues of protecting the welfare of overseas Filipino workers (OFWs), promoting peace, fighting criminality, and creating more jobs (all at -5 percentage points). In contrast, disapproval becomes more pronounced for the latter's work in promoting peace (+6 percentage points), creating more jobs (+6 percentage points), and increasing workers' pay (+7 percentage points). *(Please refer to Table 8.)*

Concerning ambivalence toward the administration's performance, it becomes more manifest on the issue of protecting the welfare of OFWs (+7 percentage points) and less notable on the issue of increasing the pay of workers (-5 percentage points).

Table 7
PERCEIVED URGENCY OF SELECTED NATIONAL ISSUES AND
THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION'S PERFORMANCE RATINGS

November 26 - December 3, 2024 / Philippines / PR1&2
(Row Percent)

Selected National Issues	% citing as One of Three Most Urgent Issues	Approve	Undecided	Disapprove	NAR*
Protecting the welfare of OFWs	3	60	31	9	+ 51
Responding to the needs of areas affected by calamities	0.02	57	33	10	+ 47
Defending the integrity of Philippine territory against foreigners	5	50	35	16	+ 34
Promoting peace in the country	14	42	36	23	+ 19
Stopping the destruction and abuse of our environment	9	40	39	21	+ 19
Providing assistance to farmers including selling their products	14	40	37	23	+ 17
Enforcing the law on all, whether influential or ordinary people	9	35	45	20	+ 15
Fighting criminality	15	37	39	24	+ 13
Creating more jobs	27	23	40	37	- 14
Addressing the problem of involuntary hunger	17	20	44	36	- 16
Increasing the pay of workers	36	19	36	45	- 26
Fighting graft and corruption in government	27	16	40	45	- 29
Reducing the poverty of many Filipinos	31	13	38	50	- 37
Controlling inflation	74	2	16	82	- 80

PR1&2 Q5a-n. Nais naming malaman ang inyong opinyon tungkol sa pagganap sa tungkulin ng administrasyon ni Presidente Ferdinand "Bonqbonq" R. Marcos Jr. sa pagharap nito sa mga sumusunod na isyung pambansa nitong huling tatlong buwan. Sa bawat isyung mabanggit, sa pamamagitan po ng board na ito, maaari bang pakisabi ninyo kung kayo ay (SHOW AND READ RATING BOARD) sa pagganap sa tungkulin ng administrasyon ni Presidente Marcos sa mga isyung ito?

Notes: (1) % Approve = % Truly Approve plus % Somewhat approve; % Disapprove = % Somewhat Disapprove plus % Truly Disapprove.

(2) *NAR (Net Approval Rating) = %Approve minus % Disapprove

(3) Figures may not add up to 100% due to rounding off or to Don't Know and Refuse responses.

Table 8
COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE RATINGS OF THE NATIONAL
ADMINISTRATION ON SELECTED NATIONAL ISSUES

September and November 2024 / Philippines
(In Percent)

Selected National Issues	Approval		Change*	Undecided		Change*	Disapproval		Change*
	PR1&2		Nov24	PR1&2		Nov24	PR1&2		Nov24
	Sep 24 (A)	Nov 24 (B)	minus Sep24 (B - A)	Sep 24 (C)	Nov 24 (D)	minus Sep24 (D - C)	Sep 24 (E)	Nov 24 (F)	minus Sep24 (F - E)
Protecting the welfare of OFWs	65	60	- 5	24	31	+ 7	10	9	- 1
Responding to the needs of areas affected by calamities	59	57	- 2	32	33	+ 1	9	10	+ 1
Defending the integrity of Philippine territory against foreigners	47	50	+ 3	34	35	+ 1	18	16	- 2
Promoting peace in the country	47	42	- 5	36	36	0	17	23	+ 6
Fighting criminality	42	37	- 5	37	39	+ 2	21	24	+ 3
Stopping the destruction and abuse of our environment	40	40	0	41	39	- 2	19	21	+ 2
Enforcing the law on all, whether influential or ordinary people	39	35	- 4	45	45	0	17	20	+ 3
Providing assistance to farmers including selling their products	36	40	+ 4	41	37	- 4	23	23	0
Creating more jobs	28	23	- 5	40	40	0	31	37	+ 6
Addressing the problem of involuntary hunger	21	20	- 1	42	44	+ 2	37	36	- 1
Increasing the pay of workers	21	19	- 2	41	36	- 5	38	45	+ 7
Fighting graft and corruption in government	18	16	- 2	38	40	+ 2	44	45	+ 1
Reducing the poverty of many Filipinos	14	13	- 1	39	38	- 1	47	50	+ 3
Controlling inflation	2	2	0	17	16	- 1	81	82	+ 1

*Change = Figures of November 2024 minus Figures of September 2024.