

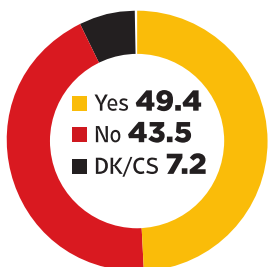
# 54% SAY AIADMK ALLIANCE WILL COME TO POWER IN TAMIL NADU

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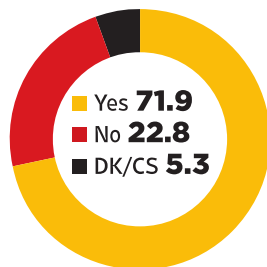
**T**HE exclusive *Outlook-MDRA* poll in Tamil Nadu ahead of the assembly elections in April brings good news for the AIADMK and bad tidings for the ruling DMK. The 2G spectrum scam and price rise seem to have severely hit the image of the party. What's worse, 78.1 per cent of those polled felt that chief minister and DMK patriarch M. Karunanidhi's family and the party had been tainted by the scam. A sizeable majority (73 per cent) felt the first family of the DMK had benefited from former telecom minister A. Raja's alleged Rs 1.72 lakh crore telecom swindle. A majority (71.9 per cent) felt that corruption charges would impact the DMK in the assembly polls. Also, on price rise, 72.5 per cent felt it would be the main issue in the elections. The opinion poll was conducted in five centres—Chennai, Coimbatore, Madurai, Salem and Trichy. In all, 626 adult respondents (509 male and 119 females) in urban and rural areas were polled. The survey was conducted between February 26-28, 2011. ■



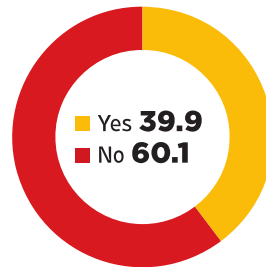
**Will the 2G scam affect how you vote in the assembly elections in Tamil Nadu?**



**Will the corruption charges adversely impact the DMK in the assembly polls?**



**Should the Congress tie up with the DMK despite the 2G scam connection?**



**What will be the main issues before voters in elections?**

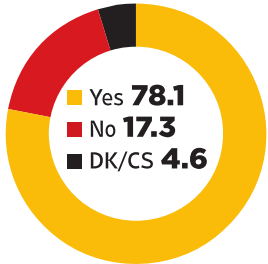
Corruption	18.7
Price Rise	72.5
Law & Order	5
Programme Implementation	1.8
Others	2.1

CITY	CORRUPTION	PRICE RISE
Chennai	20.8	74.4
Coimbatore	23.2	70.4
Madurai	21.6	64.8
Salem	12.0	86.4
Trichy	15.9	66.7

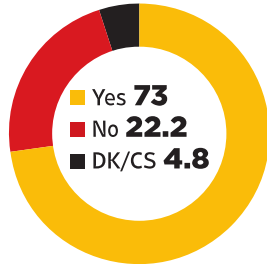
All figures in percentage DK/CS: Don't know/Can't say

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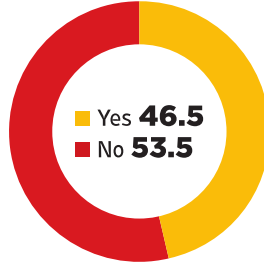
Do you think the Karunanidhi family and DMK have been tainted by the 2G scam?



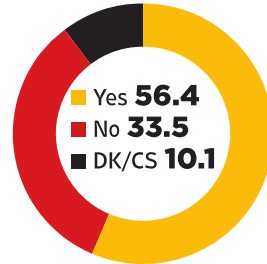
There are allegations that the Karunanidhis benefited from the 2G scam. Could it be true?



Raja's controversial policies brought down telecom prices, or so he says. Do you agree?



Do you think the guilty will at some point be punished in the 2G scam?



Which Tamil Nadu leader is cleaner, less corrupt?

Karunanidhi	18.8
Jayalalitha	37.9
Both	6.9
Neither	36.4

Who do you think benefited from Raja's controversial policies?

Himself	13.9
His party	19.5
Himself & his party	63.1
None of the above	3.5

Rate the DMK gov't's performance

Good	19.2
Average	32.4
Poor/ineffective	48.4



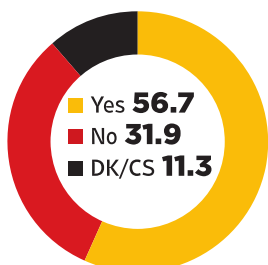
**38 PER CENT SAY JAYA IS CLEAN; 19% FOR KARUNANIDHI**

Which alliance will come to power in the 2011 assembly polls?

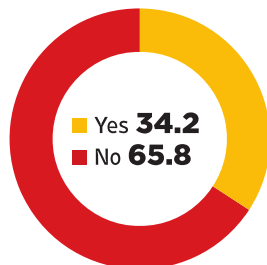
DMK-Congress-PMK	37.4
AIADMK-Vijayakanth	54
Some other party	8.6

CITY	DMK+	AIADMK+
Chennai	93.6	4.8
Coimbatore	9.6	75.2
Madurai	27.2	69.6
Salem	37.6	49.6
Trichy	19.0	70.6

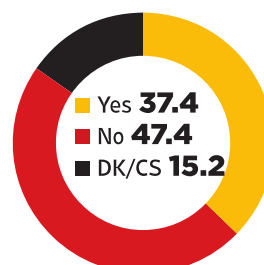
Do you think the DMK alliance will support A. Raja in case of an adverse poll verdict?



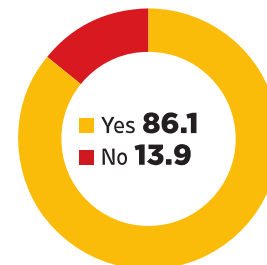
Do you agree with the view that A. Raja has been targeted because he is a Dalit?



Would the AIADMK have handled the 2G spectrum allocation issue in a better way?



Has the scale of corruption in the scam damaged Tamil Nadu's reputation?



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