

Lower score for govt in poll

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THE GOVERNMENT has received a lower score for its performance over the past three months than during its first three months, a public opinion survey has found.

Respondents to a Bangkok Poll gave an average score of 6.20 out of 10 for the government's performance after it has been in power for six months, according to survey results released yesterday.

The government got a score of 6.52 in the previous survey conducted three months after it was in power. That was also a decline from the score of 6.90 in an earlier survey conducted on the National Council for Peace and Order's performance three months after the coup.

Bangkok University's Research Centre, which is known as Bangkok Poll, surveyed 1,158 people aged 18 and over in all regions of the country, as the post-coup government of General Prayut Chan-o-cha has been in power for six months.

The government received the highest score (7.11) for its performance over security matters and the lowest (5.58) in dealing with economic matters.

The people surveyed gave Prime Minister Prayut an average score of 7.26 out of 10, a decline from three months ago, when he got a score of 7.43. He got the highest score (7.89) for decisiveness and the lowest (6.13) for initiating new government projects.

When asked if they would support Prayut to continue serving as prime minister, 68.7 per cent of the respondents said they would, compared to 12.6 per cent who would not. Another 18.7 per cent did not answer this question.