

# INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC OPINION RESEARCH, BRATISLAVA

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## QUESTIONNAIRE – Reconstruction based on frequency tables of Research No. 11

The interviewer completes the form on behalf of the respondent. Total respondents: 1,190 (men: 605, women: 585). Circle or check the selected answer.

### BLOCK A – ATTITUDE TOWARDS WORK

#### Question 1.

***"According to your observation, is the attitude towards work today in factories, in the fields and in offices different from what it was before the February Victory — specifically, better, worse, or the same?"***

##### **A/ in factories:**

- 1 Better
- 2 Worse
- 3 The same
- 4 Don't know

##### **B/ in the fields:**

- 1 Better
- 2 Worse
- 3 The same
- 4 Don't know

##### **C/ in offices:**

- 1 Better
- 2 Worse
- 3 The same
- 4 Don't know

### BLOCK B – PRODUCTION IMPROVEMENT PROPOSALS

#### Question 2.

***"Do you know what production improvement proposals are?"***

- 1 Yes, I know
- 2 I don't know

#### Question 2/a.

***"If yes – do you think the activity of improvement proposers helps to increase labour productivity results, or not?"***

*(Asked only of those who answered Yes in Q. 2)*

- 1 It helps
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know

### BLOCK C – UNIFIED FARMERS' COOPERATIVES

#### Question 3.

***"Do you think that unified farmers' cooperatives will serve our farmers, or not?"***

- 1 They will
- 2 No

- 3 Don't know

**Question 4.**

***"In your opinion, what should these cooperatives mainly concern themselves with?"***

- 1 Providing agricultural machinery, quality seeds and fertilisers.
- 2 Providing exemplary farming, raising livestock and poultry.
- 3 Helping farmers with their needs and difficulties.
- 4 Educating farmers in rational farming methods.
- 5 Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Don't know

## BLOCK D – FOOD SUPPLY

### Question 5.

*"Have you noticed that the supply of meat, milk and eggs has improved?"*

#### A/ meat:

- 1 Improved
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know

#### B/ milk:

- 1 Improved
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know

#### C/ eggs:

- 1 Improved
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know

## BLOCK E – COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LIVESTOCK, MILK AND EGGS

### Question 6.

*"In your opinion, is the compulsory purchase of livestock, milk and eggs being carried out correctly in the villages, or not?"*

#### A/ livestock:

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know

#### B/ milk:

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know

#### C/ eggs:

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know

*If no – why? (select reason for each sub-question):*

#### A/ livestock – reason:

- 1 Because of incorrect quota allocation.
- 2 Because of excessively high quotas.
- 3 Because of low prices paid.
- 4 Because they also take underfed livestock.
- 5 Free sale would be better.
- 6 Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 Don't know

#### B/ milk – reason:

- 1 Because of incorrect quota allocation.
- 2 Because of excessively high quotas.
- 3 Because of low prices paid.
- 4 Because of poor organisation.
- 5 Free sale would be better.
- 6 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

■ 7 Don't know

**C/ eggs – reason:**

■ 1 Because of incorrect quota allocation.

■ 2 Because of excessively high quotas.

■ 3 Because of poor organisation.

■ 4 Because the hens died out.

■ 5 Free sale would be better.

■ 6 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

■ 7 Don't know

## BLOCK F – SUPPLY OF TEXTILES AND FOOTWEAR

### Question 7.

***"What do you consider the biggest shortcomings in the supply of textiles and footwear?"***

#### A/ textiles:

- 1 Shortage of quality rationed goods, grain-sack fabric and linen.
- 2 Too few ration points.
- 3 Grey-market prices.
- 4 Poor organisation.
- 5 Tied market (rationing).
- 6 Satisfied.
- 7 Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Don't know

#### B/ footwear:

- 1 Shortage of leather goods, quality work and children's footwear.
- 2 Too many ration points required.
- 3 Grey-market prices.
- 4 Tied market (rationing).
- 5 The coupon system was better.
- 6 Satisfied.
- 7 Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Don't know

## BLOCK G – CONTRACTING (AGREEMENTS) WITH FARMERS

### Question 8.

***"Do you think that contracting (making agreements) with farmers will increase agricultural production in our country, or not?"***

- 1 It will
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know

#### If no – why?

- 1 The harvest depends on nature.
- 2 It will take away the farmers' motivation to work.
- 3 Because the farmer is forced to hand over produce.
- 4 Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Don't know

## BLOCK H – THE HVIEZDOSLAV FUND

### Question 9.

***"Do you know what the Hviezdoslav Fund is, or not?"***

*(The Hviezdoslav Fund was a cultural fund established in 1949 in Czechoslovakia.)*

- 1 Yes, I know
- 2 I don't know

### Question 9/a.

***"If yes – have you already contributed something to this fund, do you intend to contribute, or not?"***

*(Asked only of those who answered 'Yes' in Q. 9)*

- 1 I have contributed

- 2 I intend to contribute
- 3 No

## BLOCK I – FOREIGN POLICY QUESTIONS

### Question 10.

***"Recently there has been a lot of talk about peace and war. Do you think there will be a war in the coming years that would also engulf our country?"***

- 1 Yes, there will be
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know

### Question 11.

***"Do you approve of the alliance treaty between our Republic and the Hungarian People's Republic, or not?"***

- 1 I approve
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know

## BLOCK J – THE CHURCHES AND THE REGIME

### Question 12.

***"Are you in favour of our churches finding a positive relationship with the current regime, or not?"***

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know

Respondent's notes (open answer): \_\_\_\_\_  
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## RESPONDENT IDENTIFICATION DATA

### Sex:

- Male ■ Female

### Age:

- 18–29 ■ 30–49 ■ 50 and over

### Occupation:

- Worker ■ Office clerk ■ Civil servant ■ Farmer ■ Other self-employed

### Nationality:

- Slovak ■ Ukrainian ■ Hungarian

### Religion:

- Roman Catholic ■ Protestant ■ Greek Catholic ■ Other / No religion