



BAMBANG D.H. IS PROJECTED TO BE RETURNED AS SURABAYA MAYOR WITH A LOW TURNOUT RATE

27 June 2005

A Quick Count conducted in Surabaya's direct mayoral election projects the candidate pair Bambang Dwi Haryono and Arif Afandi will be the next mayor and deputy mayor. This pair received 50.45% of the vote while candidates Alisjahbana and Wahyudin Husein received 21.81%, followed by Erlangga Satriagung and A.H. Thony with 18.21%. Meanwhile candidates Gatot Sudjito and Benyamin Hilly have received 9.52% of the vote.

This Quick Count which was conducted by *Forum Rektor Indonesia Jawa Timur (FRI Jatim)* with the support the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI) also found that the polling and counting process was in general conducted peacefully, transparent and in order.

However, voter turnout or the rate of participation of registered voter who cast ballots in the mayor election was 53.5%. This figure represents the lowest turnout rate so far observed compared to other regions. The invalid ballot rates was 4.01%.

Based on this observation result from FRI Jatim volunteers, the election process generally proceeded in order with 99.34% of polling stations properly prepared, and 94.74% polling stations opened on time. Meanwhile, 99.34% of the polling process proceeded orderly because 99.34% of polling officials understood their roles. There were a few cases of voters who did not bring their voting cards and notification letter but were still allowed to vote (6.58%) and 3.29% of polling stations were closed before the proper time (13:00 WIB).

The election process proceeded transparently in 99.67% of observed polling stations, while 92.11% of polling stations were monitored by candidate agents and 98.68% of the agents signed the official voting certificate.

The election was also very peaceful with 98.36% of polling stations reporting no cases of intimidation and 98.36% reporting no cases of violence.

Overall, 99,67% FRI Jatim observers stated that the voting and counting process was conducted fairly and transparently.

These findings and projection is based on the results of a Quick Count of the Surabaya City election conducted by FRI Jatim with the support of the National

Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI). This count is based on the observation of the polling and counting in 304 polling stations from across the city proportional to the population and number of polling stations in each area. The polling stations were selected randomly using a statistical method which is accepted internationally and was proven to be accurate in the Indonesian National Elections in 2004.

The margin of error of the Quick Count +/- 1% at a 95 % confidence level.

**Table 2: Projection of Candidate Vote Results
in the Surabaya Mayor Election 27 June 2005**

No.	Candidates	Vote Projection
1.	Erlangga Satriagung – A.H. Thony	18.21%
2.	Bambang D.H – Arif Afandi	50.45%
3.	Gatot Sudjito – Benyamin Hilly	9.52%
4.	Alisyahbana - Wahyudin	21.81%

* Data collected until 16:00 WIB, 27 June 2005 (304 Polling Stations)

**Table 1: Quick Count Qualitative Observation Results
of Surabaya Mayor Election 27 June 2005**

No.	Questions	Yes	No
1.	Was the polling station set up properly?	99.34%	0.66%
2.	Did the voting booths guarantee the secrecy of the voting?	99.01%	0.99%
3.	Was the opening of polling station conducted according to the rules?	94.74%	5.26%
4.	Was the voting exercised in orderly manner?	99.34%	0.66%
5.	Was polling official familiar with rules in the polling stations?	99.34%	0.66%
6.	Was there any intimidation around the polling station?	1.64%	98.36%
7.	Was there any violence around the polling station?	1.64%	98.36%
8.	Were you able to monitor all aspects of opening, voting, and counting?	99.67%	0.33%
9.	Was there evidence of organized fraud attempts?	1.64%	98.36%
10.	Were there any voters that have voted but allowed to vote again?	1.32%	98.68%
11.	Were there voters who did not bring their voter card but were allowed to vote?	6.58%	93.42%
12.	Was the polling process closed according to election regulations (at 13:00 WITA)?	96.71%	3.29%
13.	Were counting procedures conducted according to the rules?	99.01%	0.99%
14.	Was there a candidate witness at the polling station?	92.11%	7.89%
15.	Did the candidate witnesses sign the forms vote count certification forms?	98.68%	1.32%

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National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI) is a non-governmental organization based in Washington, DC with a mission to strengthen democracy worldwide. Working with local partners, NDI has conducted Quick Counts in 25 countries including in Indonesia's National Elections in 2004.

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