

ACFIM Survey of Members of the 10th Parliament on Campaign Finance Reform

Alliance for Campaign Finance Monitoring:

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Alliance for Campaign Finance Monitoring (ACFIM) partnered with the National Democratic Institute (NDI) to conduct a survey of Members of the 10th Parliament on campaign finance reform.

- The target population was 324 directly elected MPs (excluding Gov't Ministers and Special Interest Group MPs).
- We randomly selected 196 MPs from a stratified sample of the target group by geographical region, MP mandate and political affiliation and interviewed 185 MPs (94%).
- The surveys were conducted by telephone between September 16th and October 7th. The survey took a maximum of 40 and minimum of 35 minutes per MP.

The survey is representative of the target population at a 98.5% confidence level with a margin of error of $\pm 1.5\%$.



Motivation for the Survey

ACFIM

ALLIANCE FOR CAMPAIGN
FINANCE MONITORING

**EXTENDED STUDY ON CAMPAIGN FINANCING
FOR PRESIDENTIAL AND MEMBER OF
PARLIAMENT RACES**



FINAL REPORT 2016

Survey Objectives

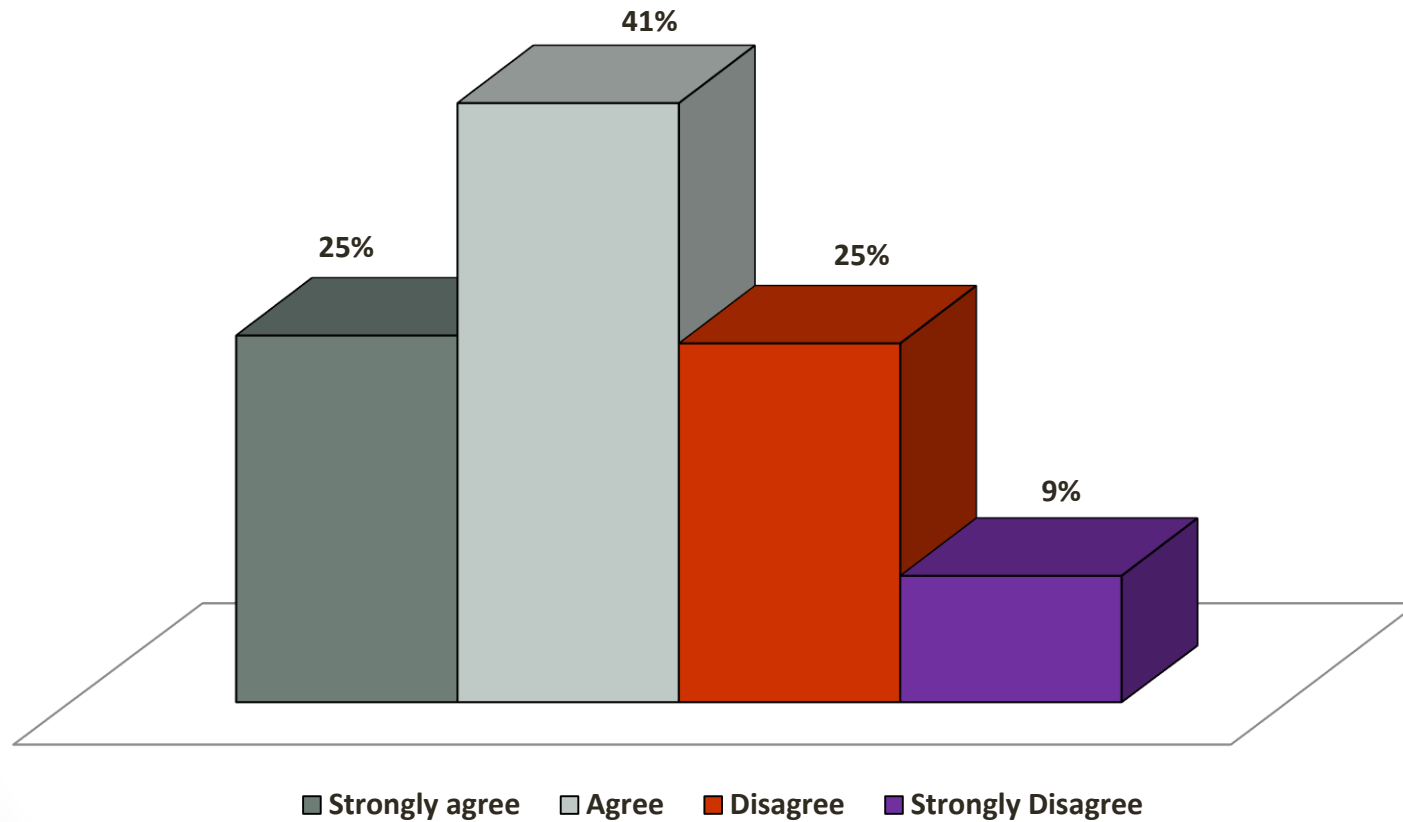
- 1) Interrogate personal experiences of MPs in the 10th Parliament on campaign spending for elections 2016.
- 2) Understand attitudes of the 10th Parliament with regard to legislating on campaign finance reforms.

Parliamentary Attitudes to Campaign Finance Reforms

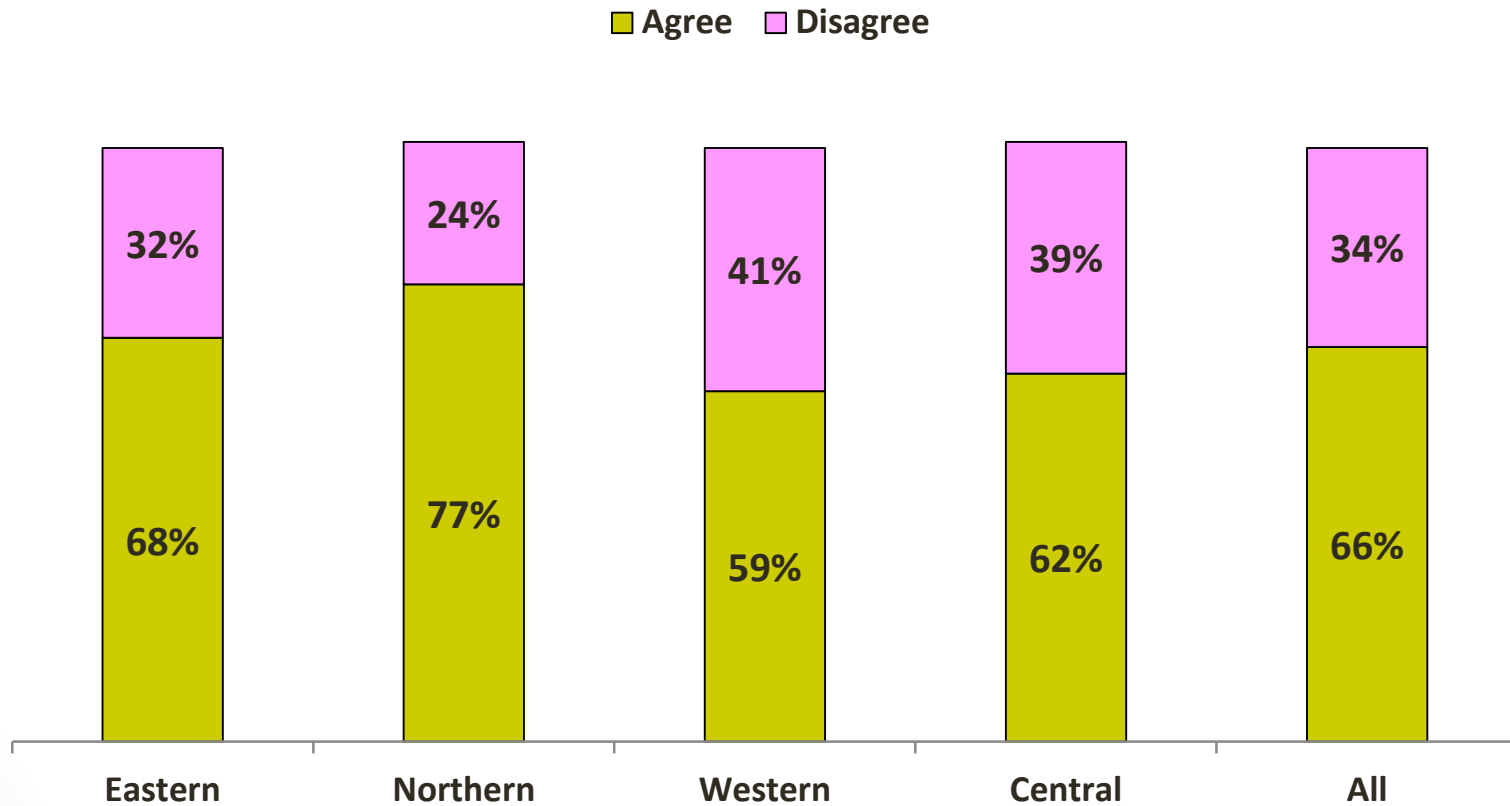
66%

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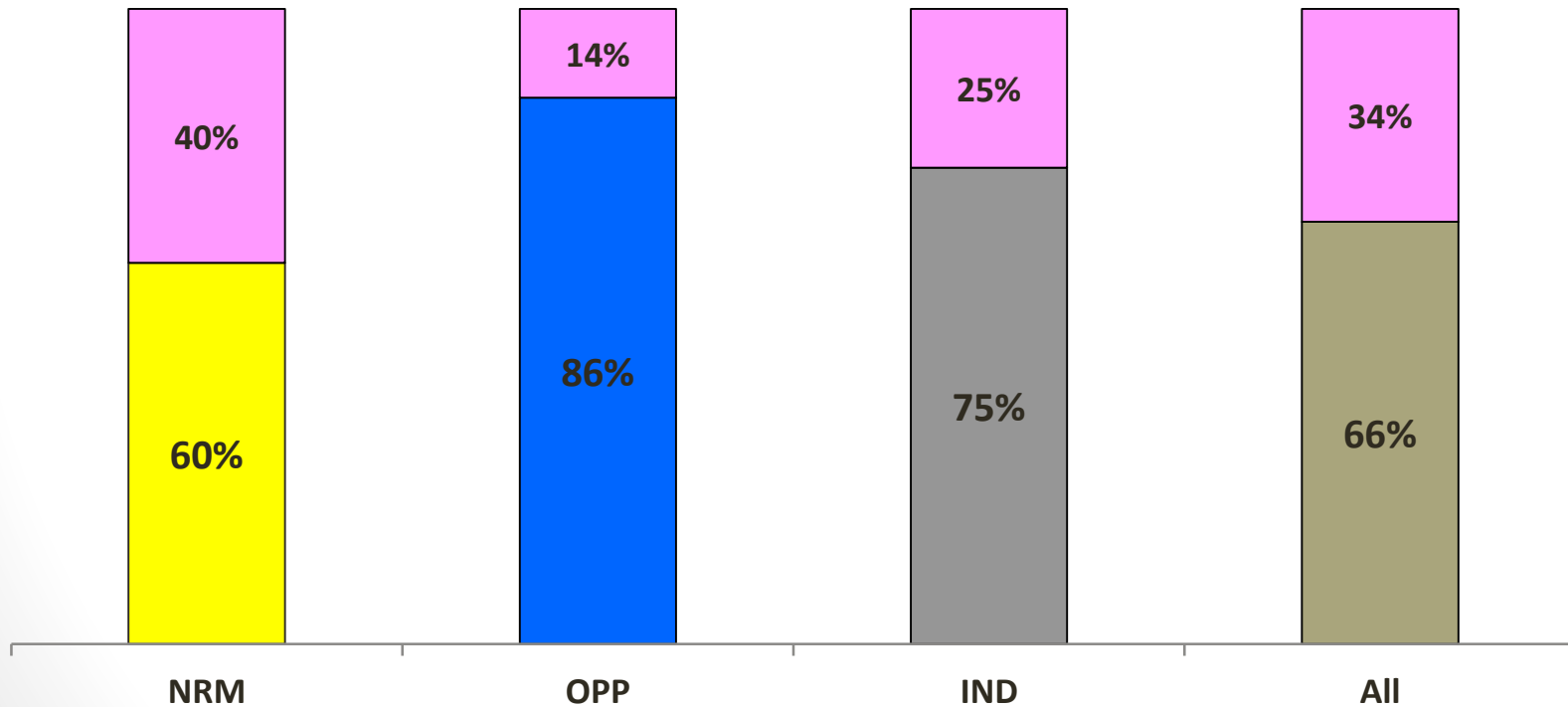


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■ Agree ■ Disagree



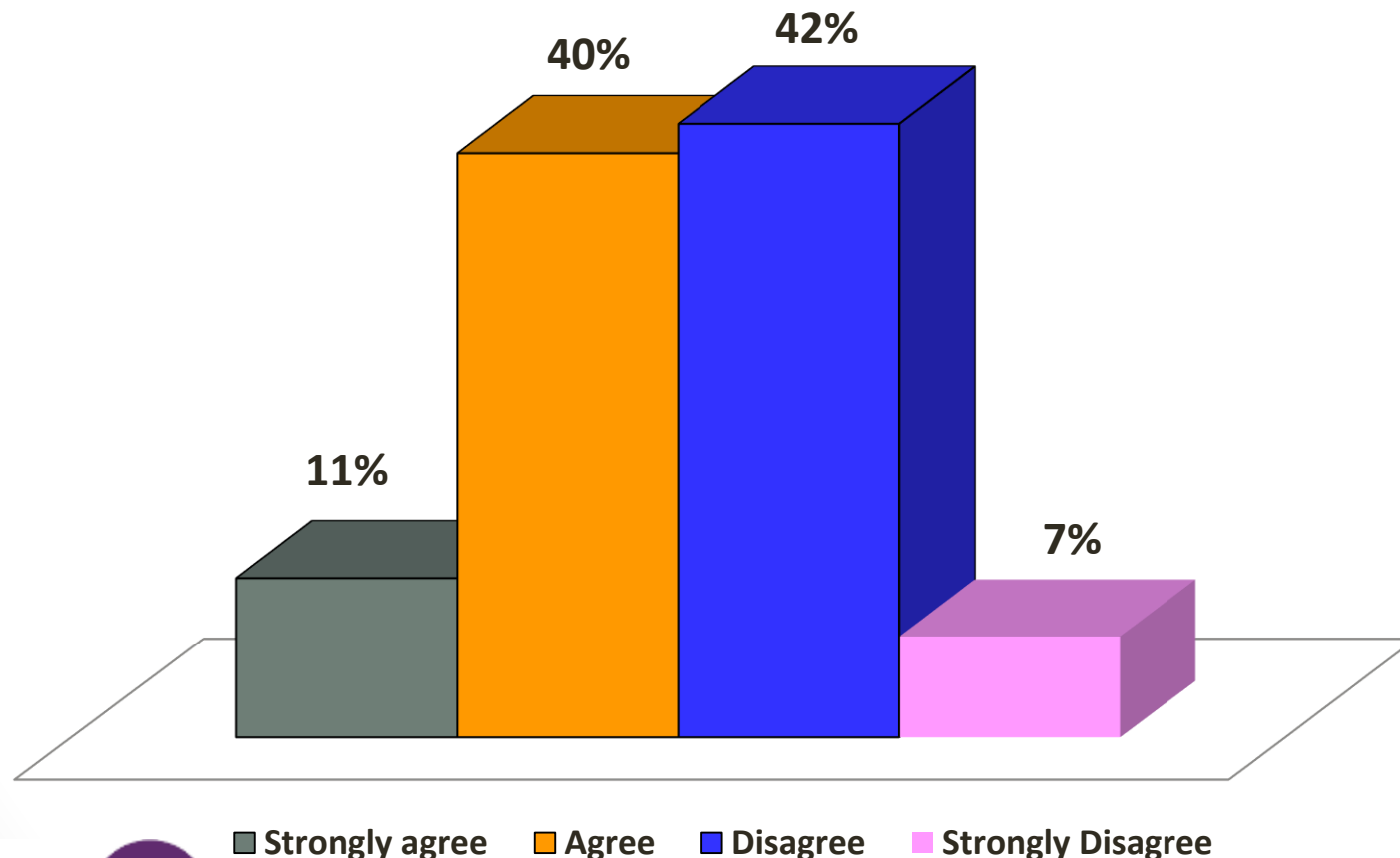
Do you agree or disagree that a candidate who spends above the legally stipulated limit on their campaign expenditure should lose their seat and should be stopped from contesting in ANY future elections?

51%

Of the MPs agreed

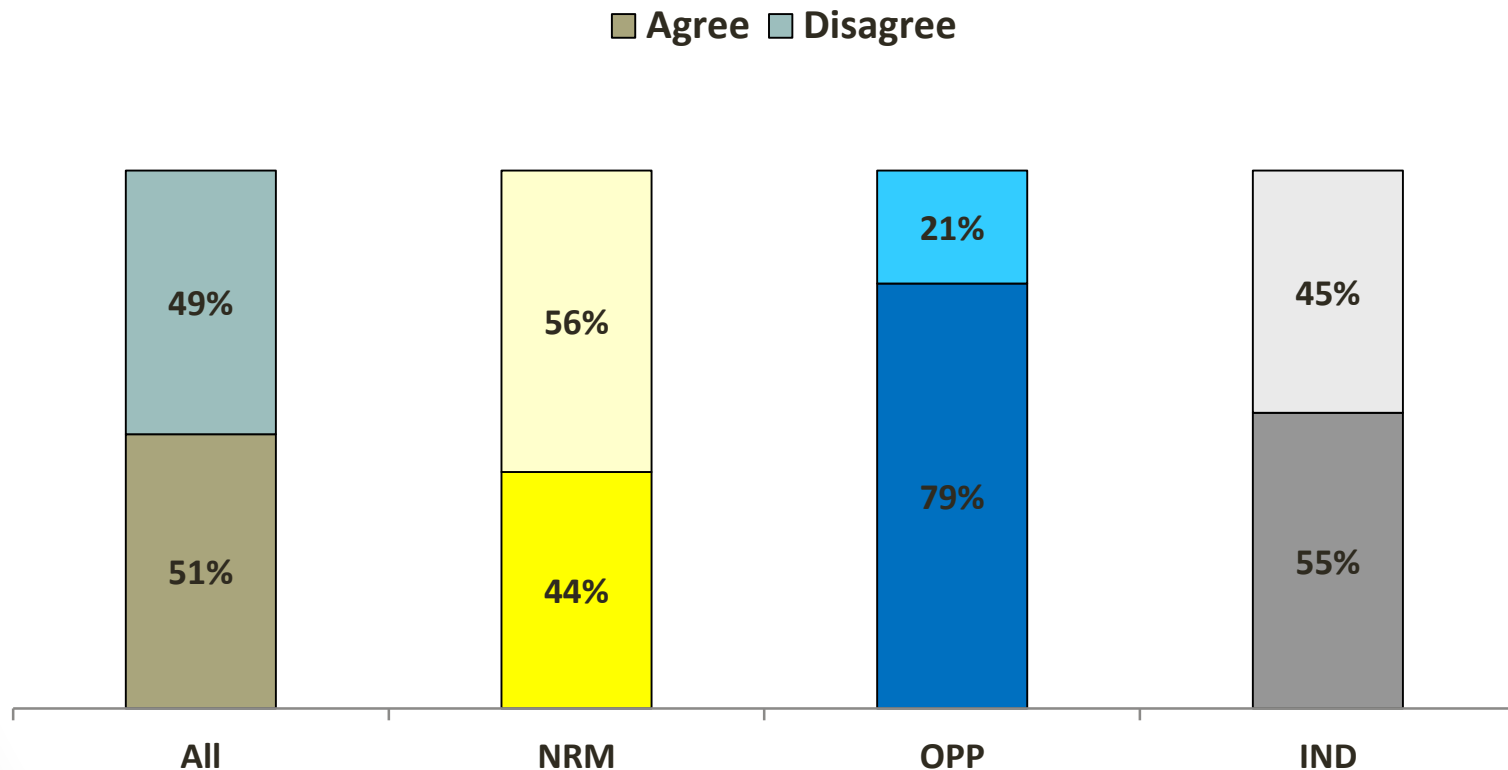
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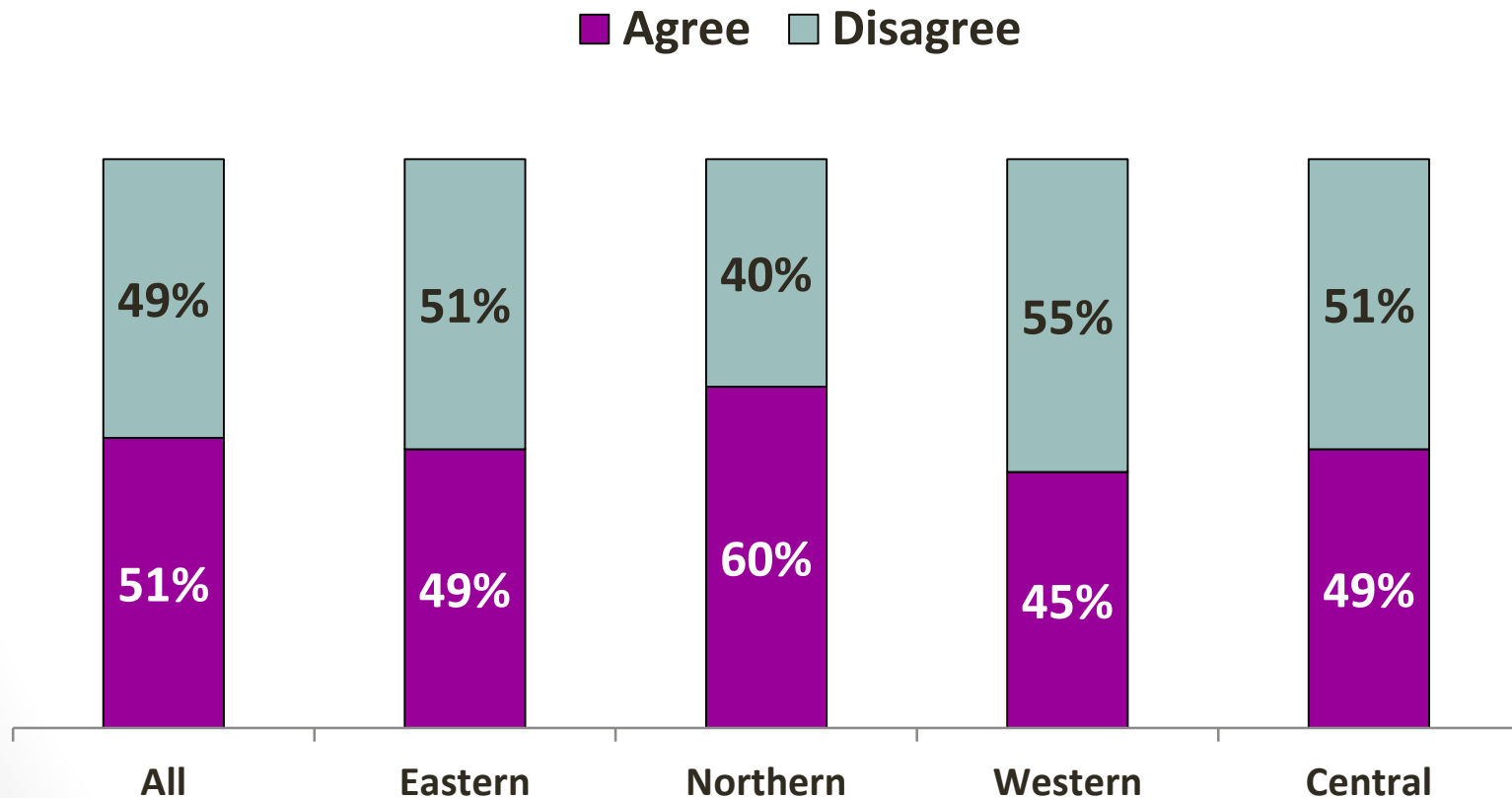
Analysis by Political Affiliation:

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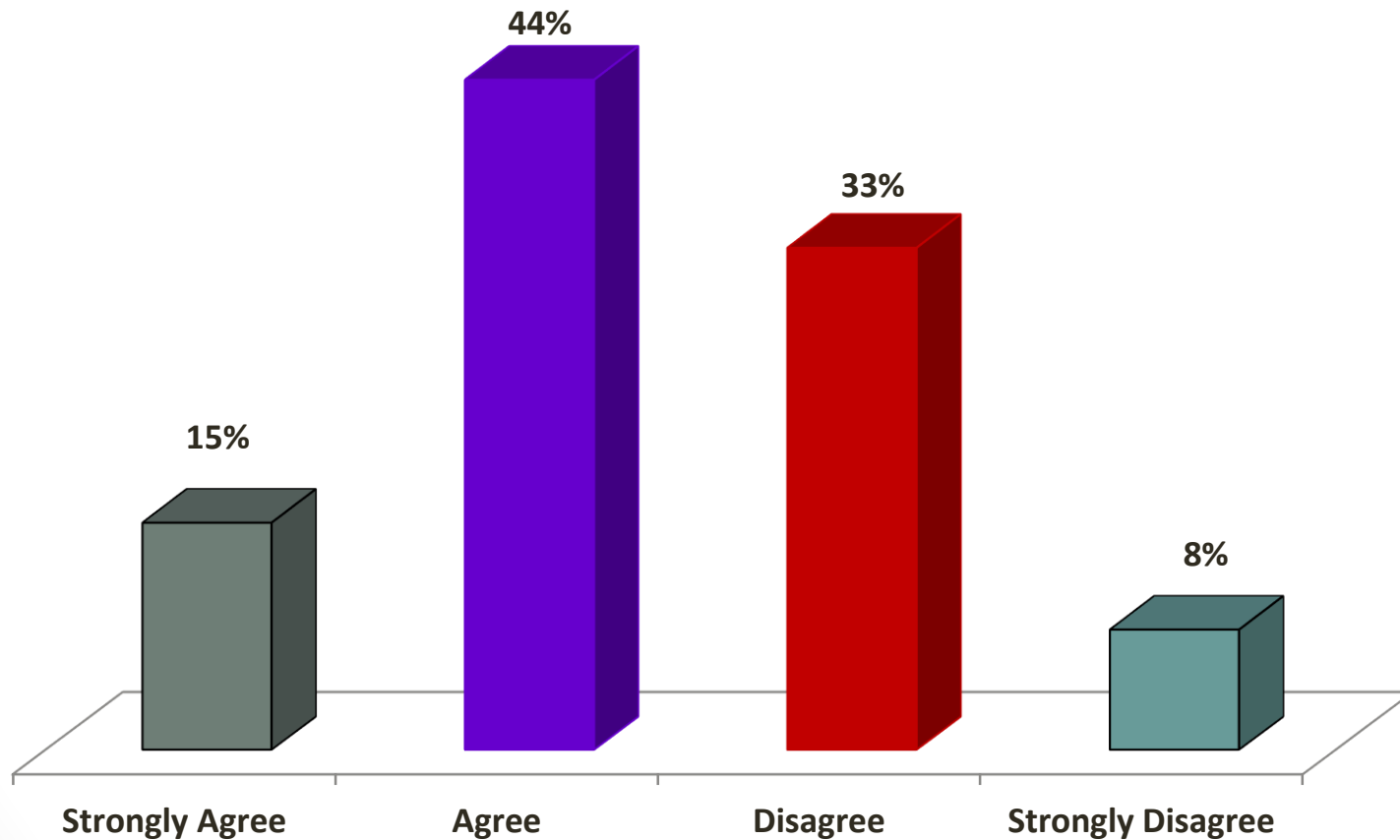
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59%

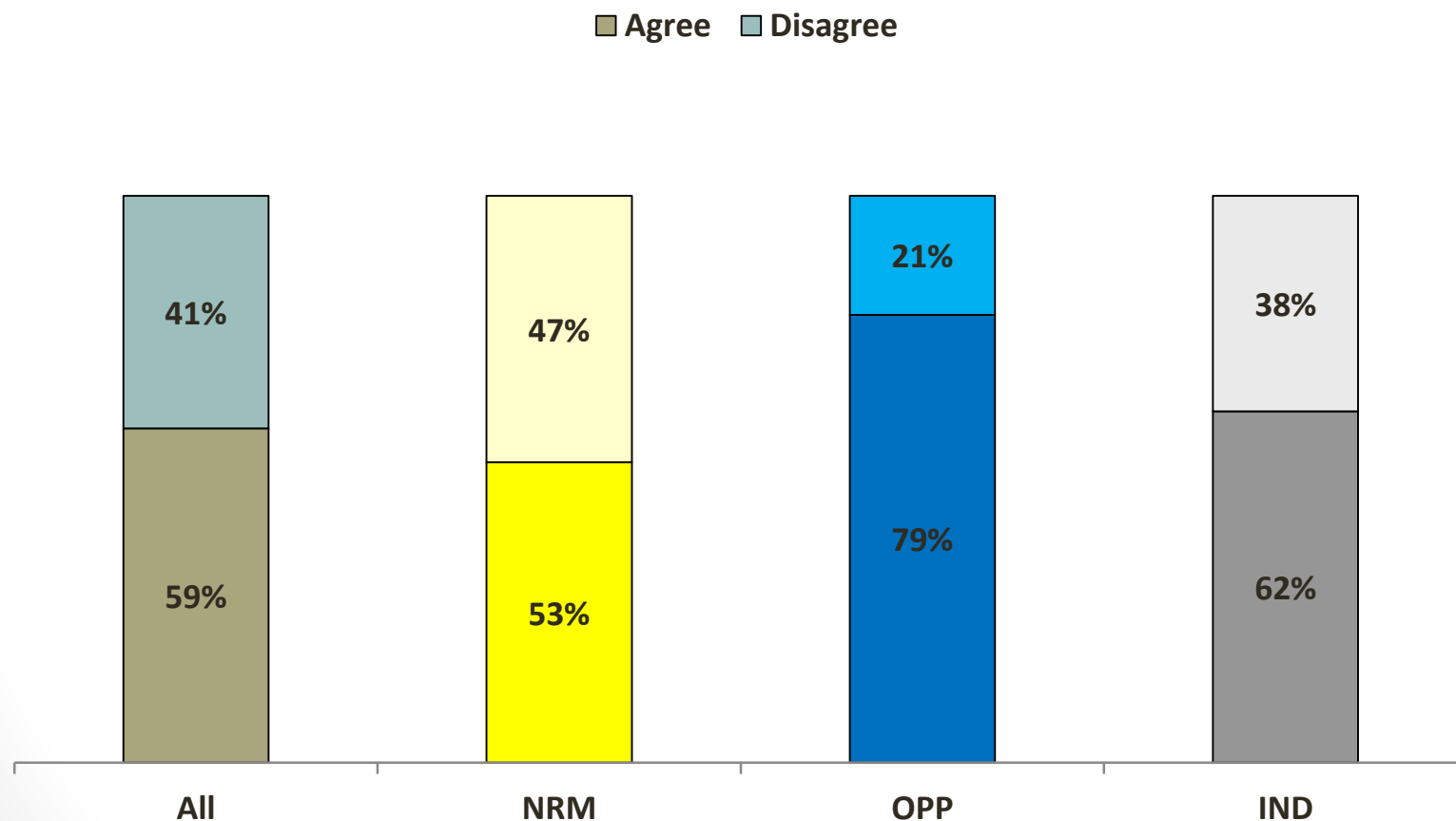
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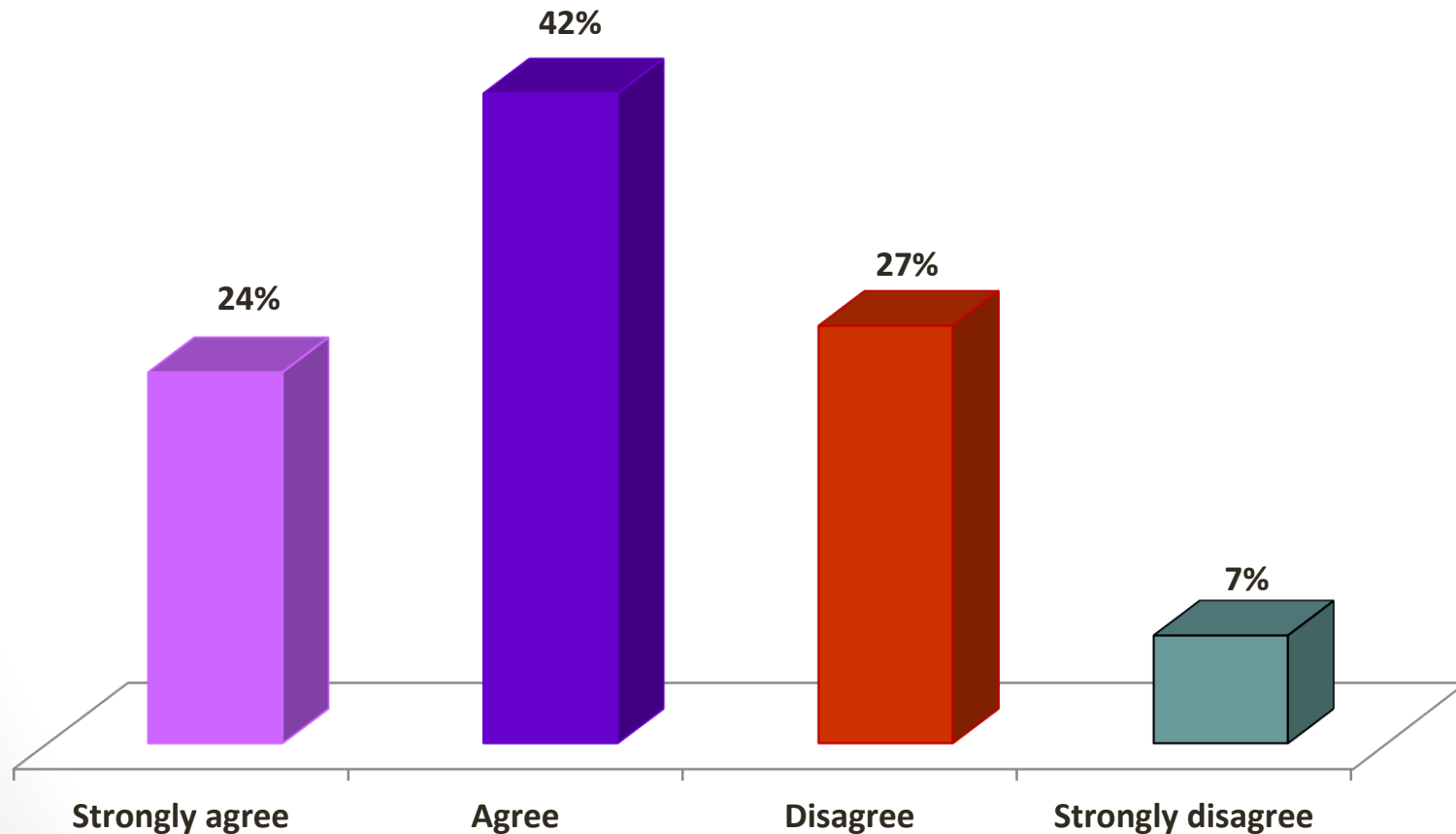


Do you agree or disagree that the amount of money to be spent on election campaigns by Political Parties should be limited?

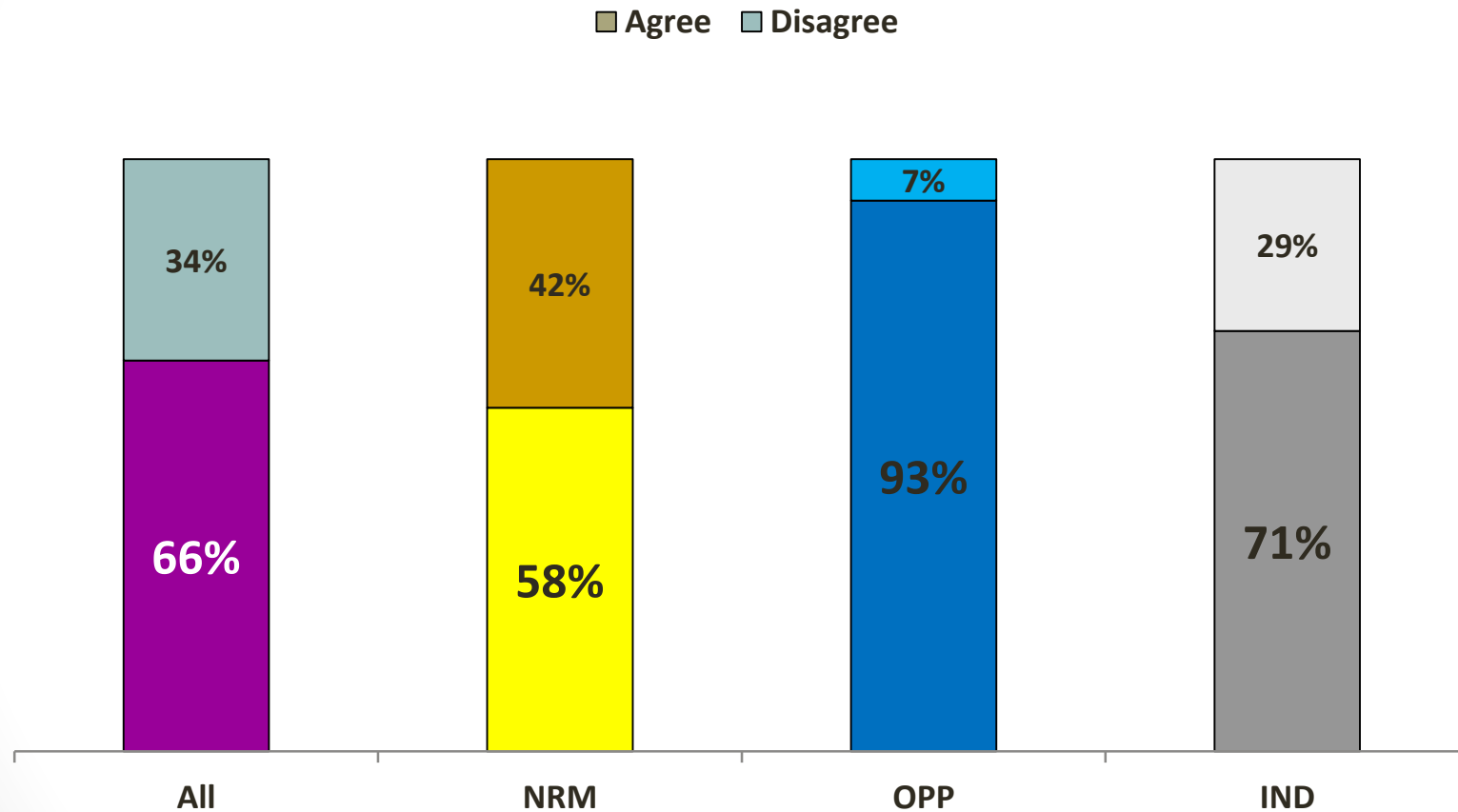
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Campaign Spending Ceilings on Political Parties



Campaign Spending Ceilings on Political Parties – *Analysis by Political Affiliation*



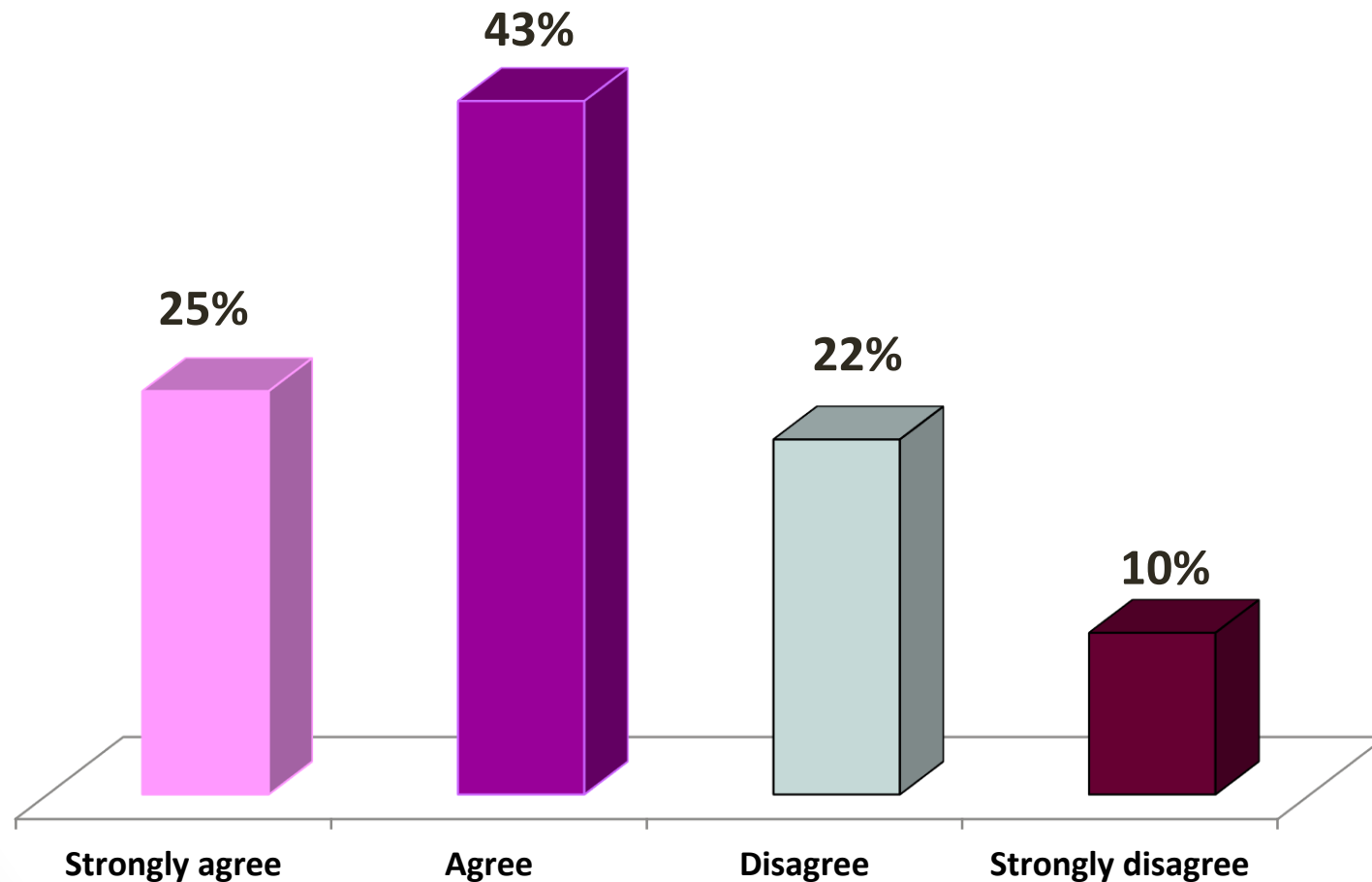
Do you agree or disagree that the amount of money to be spent on election campaigns by **Presidential Candidates** should be limited?

68%

Of the MPs Agree

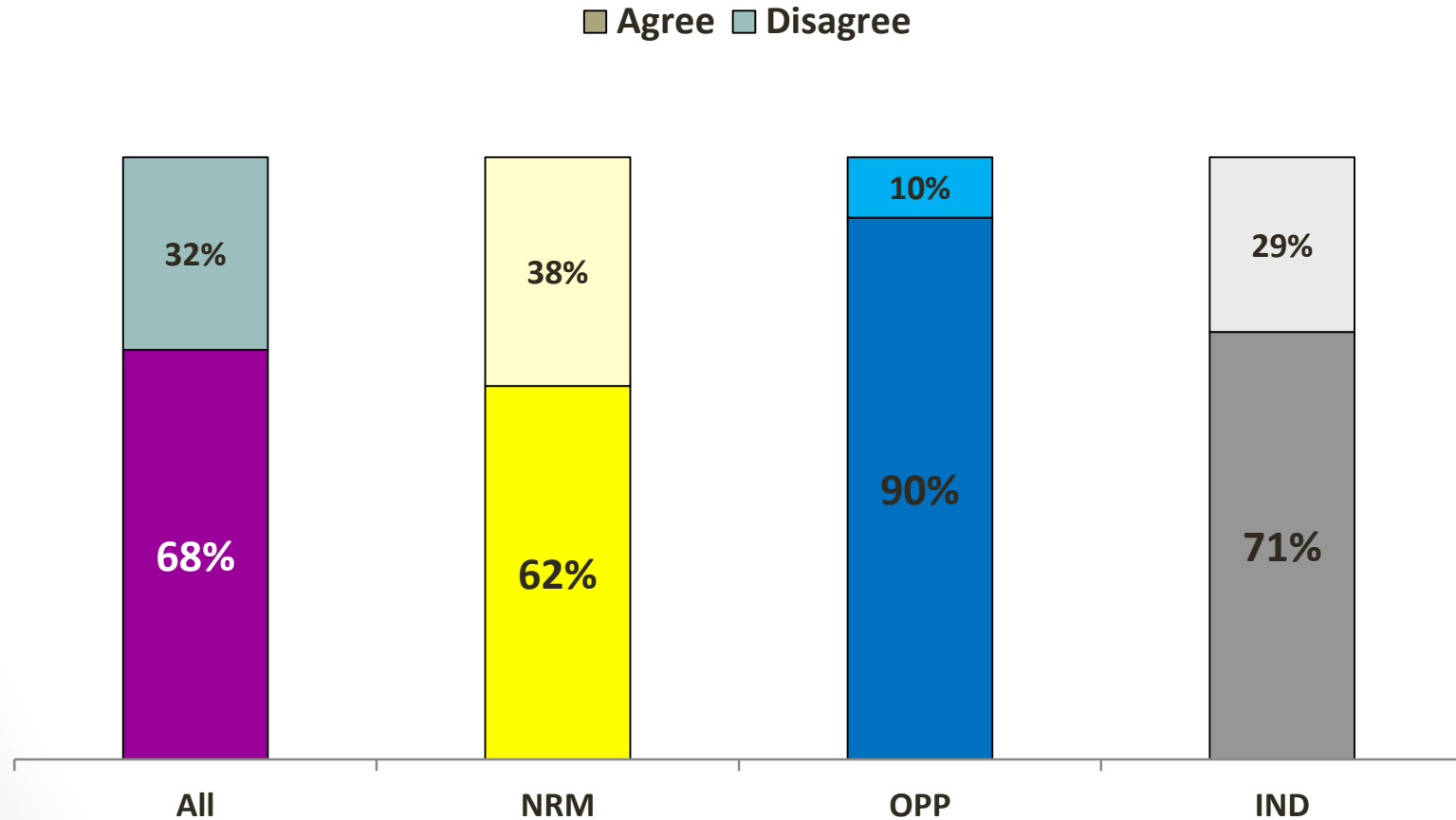
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Ceilings on election campaigns spending by Presidential Candidates



Analysis by political affiliation:

Ceilings on campaign spending by Presidential Candidates.

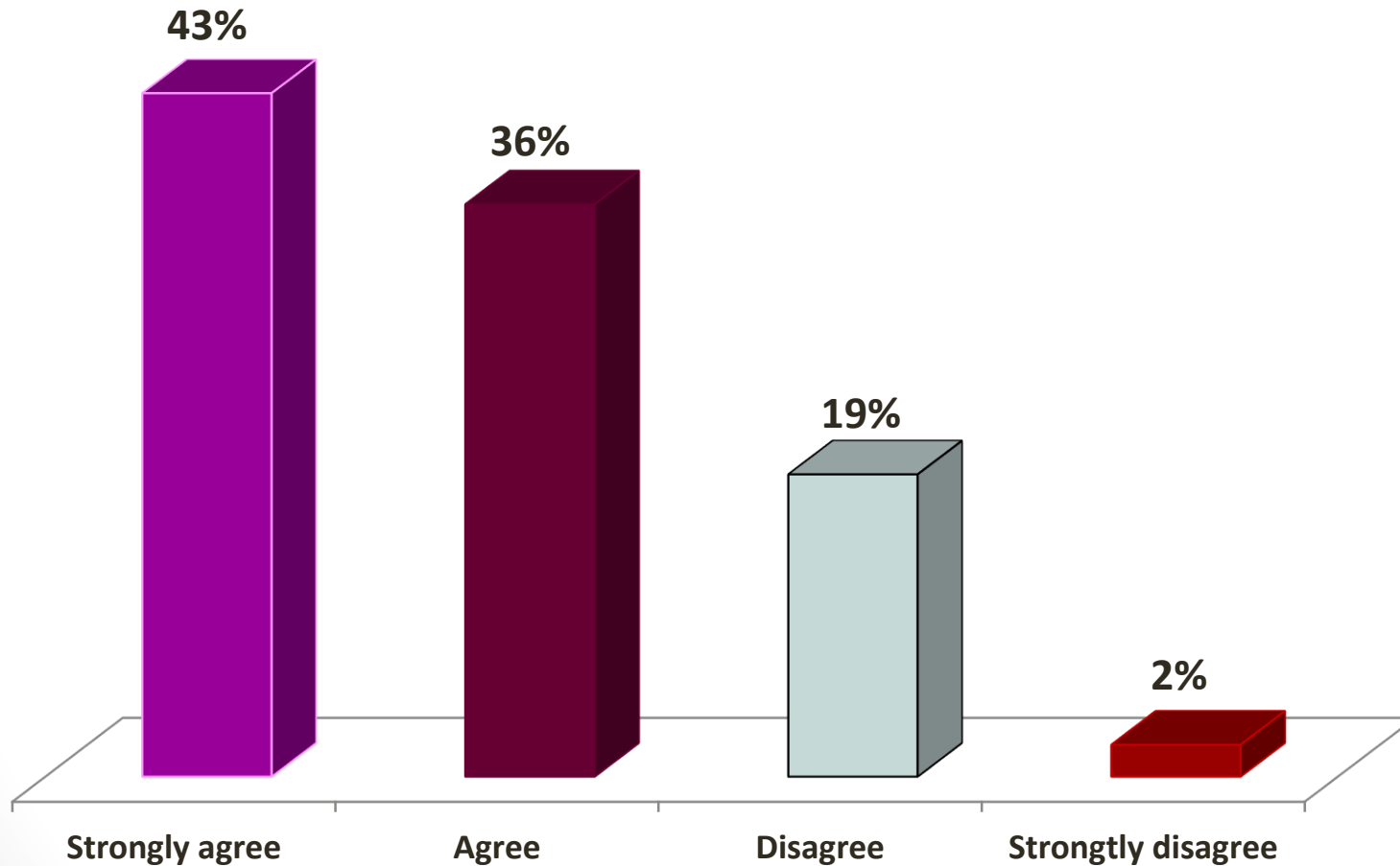


Do you agree or disagree that a candidate who is found guilty of vote-buying by the courts of law should lose their seats and be banned from contesting ANY elections again?

79%

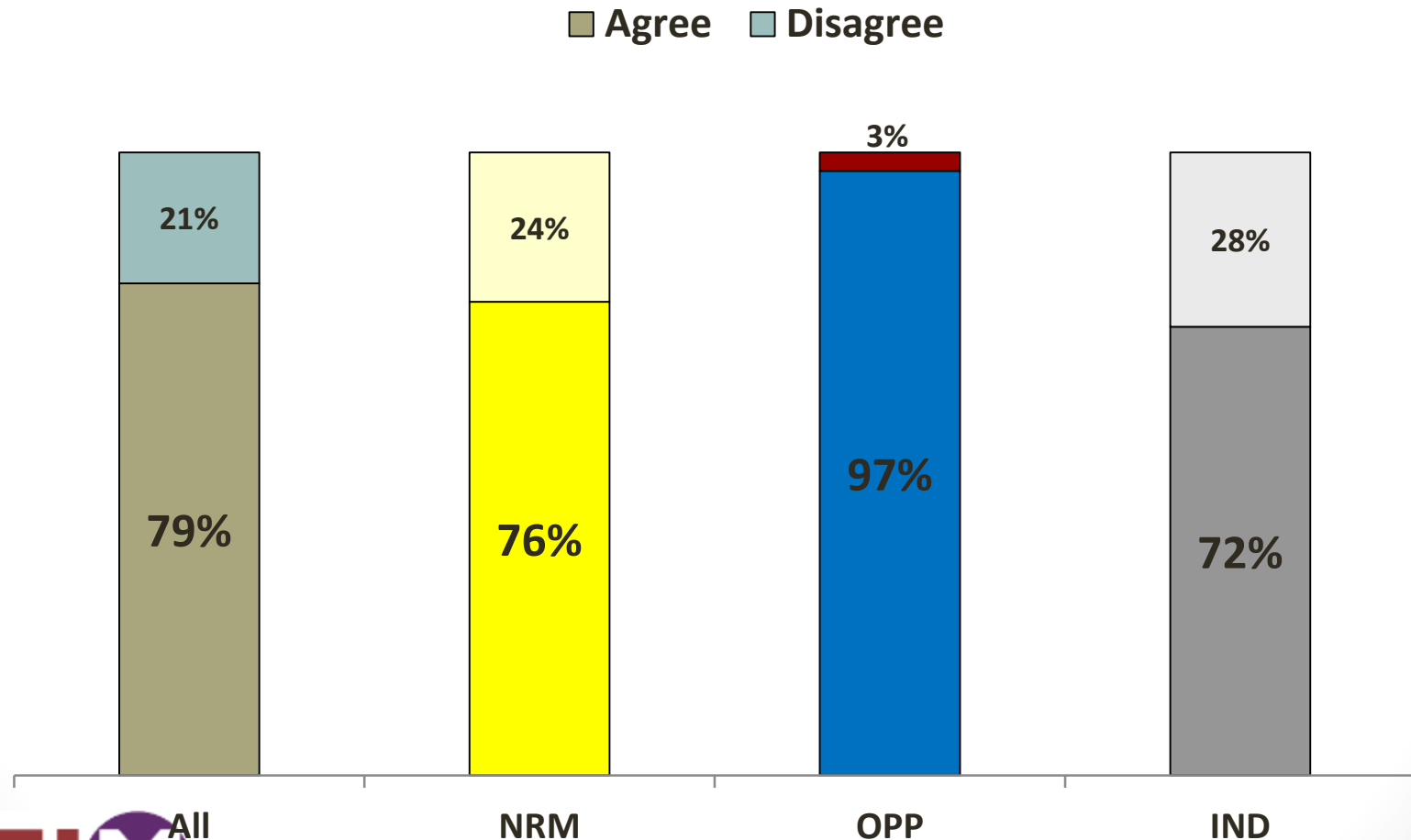
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Opinion on Vote Buying

- In your opinion which of the following two statements do you agree with MORE?

Statement 1: Vote buying during campaigns is wrong, but because the voters expect it, a candidate must do it too.

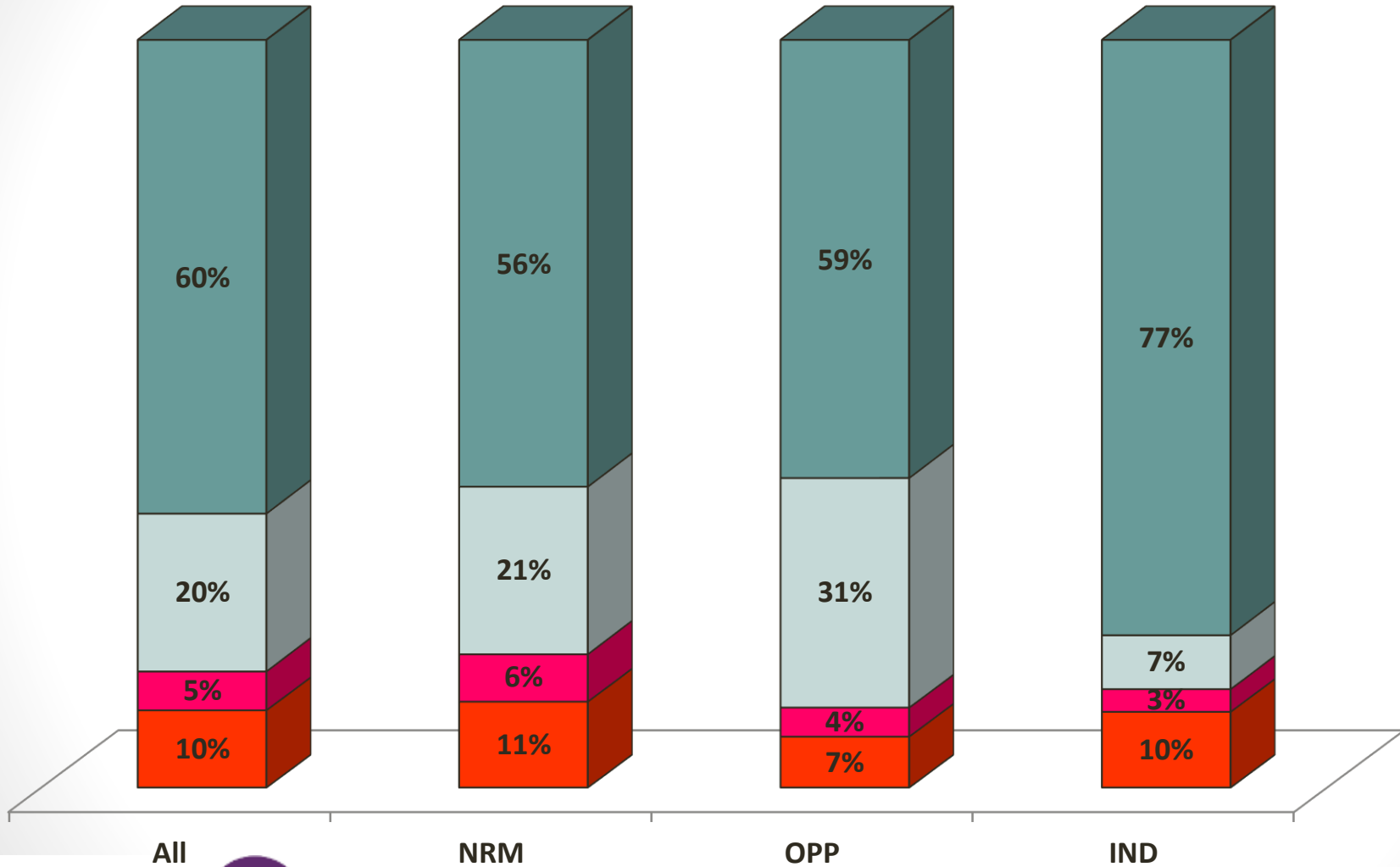
Statement 2: Vote buying during elections is wrong and a candidate should not do it even if the voters demand it

Strongly agree Statement 1

Agree Statement 1

Agree Statement 2

Strongly agree Statement 2



MP support tougher laws on Campaign Finance because the costs of elections is high and their spending is largely funded from personal resources??

Could you please give me an estimate of your total campaign spending for the 2016 primaries and general election campaigns?

113 out of 185 MPs provided a response.....

Total Declared Spend

UGX

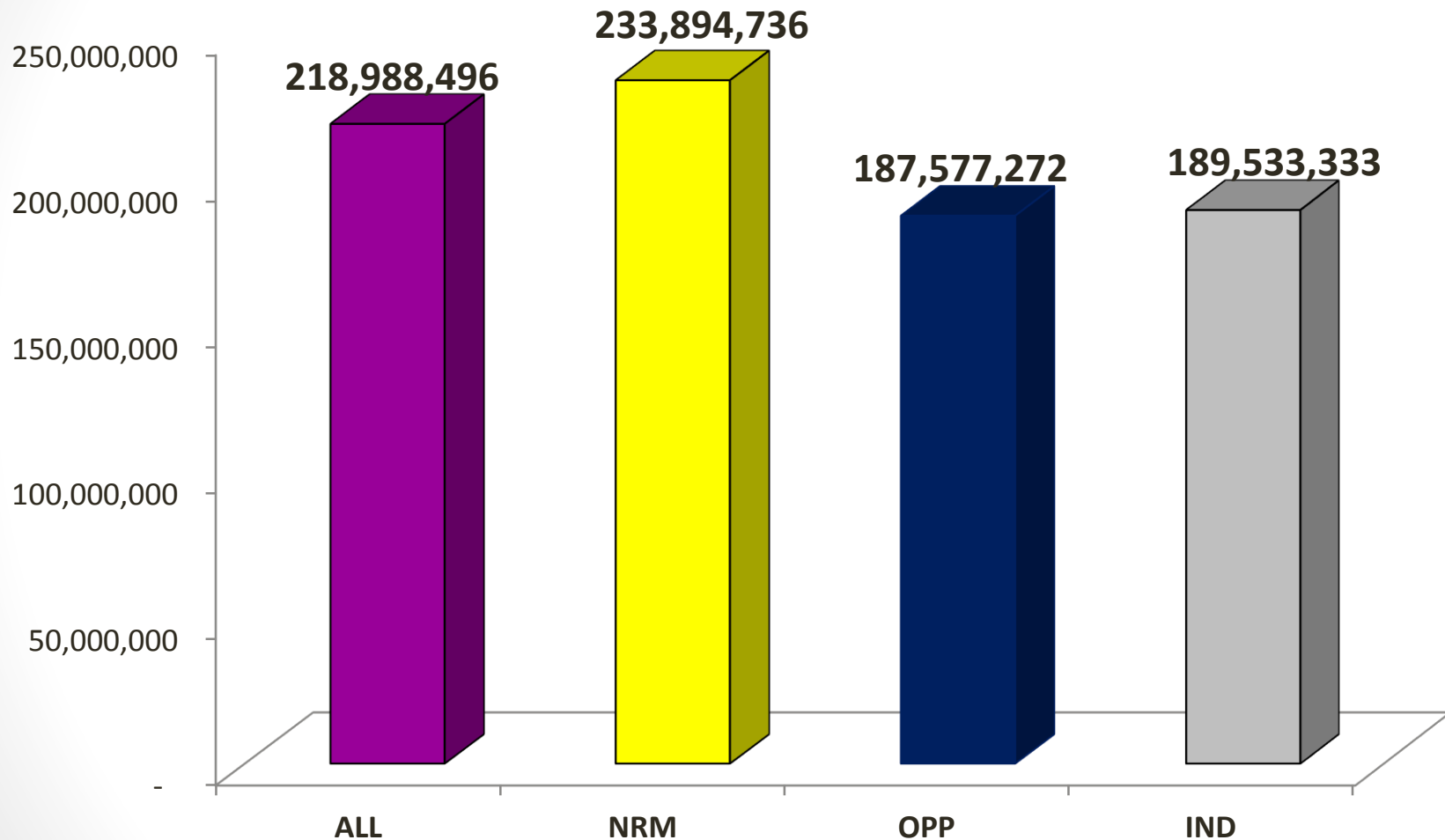
24,745,700,000

Total estimated spending of 113 MPs that provided a response

113 MPs provided an estimate of
their campaign spending for
elections 2016
which ranged from:

**UGX 1 billion to
UGX 10 million**

The Mean: Declared Spending per MP by Political Affiliation



Declared Sources of Campaign Income

89%

Of the responses said that their “**personal resources**” were the most important source for financing their election campaign.

34%

Of the responses said that the “donations from friends” were their second most important source for financing their election campaign.

**Thank
you**