# Lebanon Pulse Survey (Mid-Year Follow-up Questionnaire)

## *Section 0: Eligibility (confirm it is the same individual)*

We are calling to conduct a follow-up on a survey we conducted in January with the owner of phone number (reading phone number). Can you confirm that you participated in the survey in January?

☐ Yes
☐ No

If the response is yes, proceed with the survey. Otherwise, the person is not eligible to participate.

## *Section 1: Demographics and Socio-economic Profile*

1. **Age:** What is your age?

2. **Gender:** What is your gender?

☐ Male
☐ Female

3. **Marital Status:** What is your marital status?

☐ Single (never married)
☐ Married or Engaged
☐ Divorced
☐ Widowed
☐ Prefer not to say

4. **Household Size:** How many people are in your household, including yourself? (Number of household members)

5. **District of Residence:** In which district do you reside

☐ Akkar
☐ Baalbak
☐ Hermel
☐ Beirut
☐ Rashaya
☐ Western Beqaa
☐ Zahle
☐ Jbeil
☐ Keserwan
☐ Aley
☐ Baabda
☐ Chouf
☐ Matn
☐ Bint Jbeil
☐ Hasbaya
☐ Marjeyoun
☐ Nabatieh
☐ Batroun
☐ Bsharri
☐ Koura
☐ Miniyeh-Danniyeh
☐ Trablos
☐ Zgharta
☐ Saida
☐ Jezzine
☐ Sour
☐ Prefer not to say

6. **Urban/rural residence**:

☐ Major city (Beirut and suburbs, Trablos, Saida, Sour)
☐ Small city (Baalbak, Batroun, Jbeil, Jounieh, Nabatieh, Zahle)
☐ Town, Village
☐ Refugee camp or informal settlement
☐ Prefer not to say

7. **Employment Status:** Which of the following best describes your current employment status?

☐ Employed full-time
☐ Employed part-time
☐ Self-employed (own business or freelance)
☐ Unemployed (currently not working but seeking work)
☐ Still at school and not seeking outside work

☐ Homemaker and not seeking outside work
☐ Retired
☐ Prefer not to say

8. **In a typical week, how many hours do you work in all jobs combined, including self-employment?** (If you are not currently working, please enter 0)

_____ hours/week

9. **What is your *total monthly household income* (in USD)?**

☐ 300 or less
☐ 301 – 700
☐ 701 – 1,300
☐ 1,301 – 2,500
☐ 2,501 – 5,000
☐ More than USD 5,000
☐ Prefer not to say

## *Section 2: Experiences and Sentiment in the Past 6 Months*

10. **General Economic Situation (Last 6 Months):** In your view, how has the general economic situation in Lebanon changed over the past 6 months?

☐ Improved significantly
☐ Slightly improved
☐ Stayed about the same
☐ Deteriorated slightly
☐ Deteriorated significantly
☐ Prefer not to say

11. **Job Opportunities (Last 6 Months):** Over the past 6 months, do you think job opportunities in Lebanon have become more or less available?

☐ Many more jobs are available now
☐ Somewhat more jobs
☐ About the same as before
☐ Somewhat fewer jobs
☐ Far fewer jobs available than 6 months ago
☐ Prefer not to say

12. **Business and Investment Opportunities (Last 6 Months):** How have business and investment opportunities changed over the past 6 months?

☐ Improved significantly
☐ Slightly improved
☐ Stayed about the same

☐ Deteriorated slightly
☐ Deteriorated significantly
☐ Prefer not to say

13. **Cost of Living and Prices (Last 6 Months):** How have consumer prices (cost of living) changed over the past 6 months?

☐ Increased significantly
☐ Increased slightly
☐ Stayed about the same
☐ Decreased slightly
☐ Decreased significantly
☐ Prefer not to say

14. **General Safety (Last 6 Months):** Over the past 6 months, did you feel that the country is safe to live in?

☐ Very safe
☐ Somewhat safe
☐ Acceptable
☐ Somewhat not safe
☐ Extremely not safe
☐ Prefer not to say

15. **Government Performance:** How satisfied are you with the government's current management of the economy and social services?

☐ Very satisfied
☐ Somewhat satisfied
☐ Neutral
☐ Somewhat unsatisfied
☐ Very unsatisfied
☐ Prefer not to say

16. **Household Financial Situation (Last 6 Months):** Compared to 6 months ago, how has the financial situation of your household changed?

☐ Improved significantly
☐ Slightly improved
☐ Stayed about the same
☐ Deteriorated slightly
☐ Deteriorated significantly
☐ Prefer not to say

**17. In the past 6 months, have you changed jobs?**

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Not applicable
☐ Prefer not to say

**18. (If answer to 17=Yes) Why did you change jobs?**

☐ Found a better paying job
☐ Found a job with better working conditions
☐ I was fired from my previous job
☐ The company I used to work for went out of business
☐ Other (Specify)
☐ Prefer not to say

**19. In the past 6 months, did you postpone starting or expanding a business due to economic conditions?**

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Not applicable
☐ Prefer not to say

**20. (If answer to 19=Yes) What was the main obstacle to starting or expanding the business?**

☐ Access to capital
☐ Bureaucracy and Corruption
☐ General Uncertainty in the country
☐ Other (Specify)
☐ Prefer not to say

**21. Which of the following best describes your current healthcare coverage?**

☐ No access to healthcare / uninsured
☐ Private insurance provided by your employer
☐ Private insurance purchased individually / privately
☐ Public / Government coverage (e.g., NSSF, COOP, Lebanese Army, Ministry of Public Health programs)
☐ Other (please specify)
☐ Prefer not to say

**22. In the past 6 months, have economic conditions affected your decisions about making any major purchases** (such as house, land, furniture, household appliances, or a car)?

☐ I cancelled plans or put them on hold to make major purchases
☐ I made major purchases as planned
☐ I made major purchases that were not planned
☐ I didn't have plans to make major purchases
☐ Other (please specify)
☐ Prefer not to say

**23. Do you currently have a bank account in Lebanon?**

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Prefer not to say

**24. Which statement best describes your household's current debt situation?**

☐ No debt in the past 6 months
☐ No debt, paid off completely during the last 6 months
☐ Have debt, paying it down and it is decreasing
☐ Have debt, roughly the same
☐ Have debt, it has increased
☐ Prefer not to say

**25. Savings:** Which statement best describes your household's ability to save or invest in the past 6 months?

☐ Able to save or invest a substantial amount
☐ Able to save or invest a small amount
☐ Able to cover expenses but did not save or invest
☐ Had to draw on savings to cover expenses
☐ Not applicable / no income to save or spend
☐ Prefer not to say

**26. Remittances Level:** Have the remittances you receive changed in the past 6 months?

☐ Increased significantly
☐ Increased slightly
☐ Stayed about the same
☐ Decreased slightly
☐ Decreased significantly
☐ Not applicable / do not receive remittances
☐ Prefer not to say

27. **(If 30 other than "Not applicable / do not receive remittances" or "Prefer not to say') Importance of Remittances:** How critical are remittances to your household's overall standard of living?

☐ Absolutely essential – cannot maintain current standard without them
☐ Important – would need to make significant cutbacks without them
☐ Somewhat helpful – would adjust but manage
☐ Not very important – little impact on living standard
☐ Not applicable / do not receive remittances
☐ Prefer not to say

28. **Marriage and Family Planning:** In the past 6 months, have economic conditions affected your decisions about major family plans such as marriage or having a child?

☐ I postponed such plans
☐ I cancelled such plans
☐ I am reconsidering these plans in the coming 6 months
☐ My plans were not affected
☐ Not applicable
☐ Prefer not to say

## *Section 3: Expectations and Outlook for the Next 6 Months*

29. **General Economic Outlook (Next 6 Months):** How do you expect the overall economic situation in Lebanon – including business activity in the country – to develop over the next 6 months?

☐ Improve significantly
☐ Improve slightly
☐ Stay about the same
☐ Worsen slightly
☐ Worsen significantly
☐ Prefer not to say

30. **General Employment Outlook:** How do you expect the availability of employment to change in the next 6 months?

☐ Increase sharply
☐ Increase slightly
☐ Stay about the same
☐ Fall slightly
☐ Fall sharply
☐ Prefer not to say

31. **General Business and Investment Outlook:** How do you expect the business and investment opportunities to change in the next 6 months?

☐ Improve significantly
☐ Improve slightly
☐ Stay about the same
☐ Worsen slightly
☐ Worsen significantly
☐ Prefer not to say

32. **Inflation Expectations:** How do you expect consumer prices to develop in the next 6 months?

☐ Increased significantly
☐ Increased slightly
☐ Stayed about the same
☐ Decreased slightly
☐ Decreased significantly
☐ Prefer not to say

33. **Looking ahead to the next 6 months, how confident are you that policymakers will make decisions that improve the country's economic and social conditions?**

☐ Very confident
☐ Somewhat confident
☐ Neutral
☐ Somewhat not confident
☐ Very not confident
☐ Prefer not to say

34. **Expected Household Financial Situation (Next 6 Months):** Looking ahead to 6 months from now, how do you expect your household's financial situation to change?

☐ Improve significantly
☐ Improve slightly
☐ Stay about the same
☐ Worsen slightly
☐ Worsen significantly
☐ Prefer not to say

35. **Outlook for Quality of Life:** Overall, considering everything, do you expect your **overall quality of life** 6 months from now to be

☐ Significantly better
☐ Slightly better

☐ Stay about the same
☐ Slightly worse
☐ Significantly worse
☐ Prefer not to say

## *Open-Ended Questions*

1. **In your own words, what has changed the most in your economic situation in January?**