| **Characteristic** | **N = 782**1 |
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| I would undergo a necessary blood test for thalassemia |  |
| Agree | 649 (83%) |
| Disagree | 21 (2.7%) |
| Neutral | 112 (14%) |
| I want to donate blood for thalassemia patients |  |
| Agree | 551 (70%) |
| Disagree | 42 (5.4%) |
| Neutral | 189 (24%) |
| I would happily accept a relationship with a thalassemic person |  |
| Agree | 223 (29%) |
| Disagree | 248 (32%) |
| Neutral | 311 (40%) |
| I would not prefer consanguineous marriage |  |
| Agree | 504 (64%) |
| Disagree | 76 (9.7%) |
| Neutral | 202 (26%) |
| I think both carrier persons should not marry |  |
| Agree | 546 (70%) |
| Disagree | 57 (7.3%) |
| Neutral | 179 (23%) |
| I think carrier couples should not have pregnancy |  |
| Agree | 290 (37%) |
| Disagree | 149 (19%) |
| Neutral | 343 (44%) |
| I would like to visit a consultant before marriage |  |
| Agree | 633 (81%) |
| Disagree | 16 (2.0%) |
| Neutral | 133 (17%) |
| I think that premarital screening for thalassemia is necessary for the general public |  |
| Agree | 694 (89%) |
| Disagree | 7 (0.9%) |
| Neutral | 81 (10%) |
| I would like to participate in the ”Thalassemia Prevention Programme” if someone introduces |  |
| Agree | 614 (79%) |
| Disagree | 23 (2.9%) |
| Neutral | 145 (19%) |
| I wish if I have more information about thalassemia |  |
| Agree | 691 (88%) |
| Disagree | 18 (2.3%) |
| Neutral | 73 (9.3%) |
| I would like to tell friends about Thalassemia after completing this survey |  |
| Agree | 668 (85%) |
| Disagree | 16 (2.0%) |
| Neutral | 98 (13%) |
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