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Before the June 24 Turkey's Election, StratejiCo. introduces the significant points regarding electoral promises of the six presidential candidates. (According to the order in the voting paper.)



Muharrem İnce – Presidential Candidate of the Republican People's Party (CHP)

- The State of Emergency will be lifted, and judicial independence will be guaranteed. The Turkish Parliament will be strengthened, a new constitution will be established, and the principle of separation of powers will be provided.
- Foreign policy strategies will be redefined, issues with the neighboring countries and the Syria proble will be solved. Relations with the European Union will be improved.
- The minimum wage will rise, and taxes will decrease. The incentives for manufacturers and SMEs will be increased.



Meral Akşener – Presidential Candidate of the Good Party (İYİ Parti)

- The parliamentary system will be established again, the state of emergency will be lifted. Freedom of religion and conscience will be guaranteed by theconstitution. The election threshold will be reduced from 10% to 5%.
- Press freedom will be ensured in accordance with the EU criteria, and the bans on the internet will be removed. A new "Media, Communication and Public Relations Act" will be prepared.
- As the date of April 30, 2018, consumer loans, credit cards, and overdraft accounts debts of the citizens which been legally followed by banks, consumer financing companies, and debt recovery companies will be purchased.
- The foreign policy strategies will be followed based on Atatürk's "Peace at Home, Peace in the World" principle and international law.



Recep Tayyip Erdoğan – Presidential Candidate of the Justice and Development Party (AKP)

- The unfairness of income distribution will be resolved. Turkey will rise to the level of high-income countries. Economic and political relations with different regional structures, especially the EU, will be further strengthened. Women's participation in the workforce will increase by over 40 percent.
- The northern part of Syria will be cleared of terrorists, and the struggle for a fair settlement in Cyprus will continue.
- Nation's Coffee Houses which includes books, computers, recreational areas, and free tea and cake will be established.
- The legal status will be provided to the Djemevi (Cemevi). The basis of the democratic consensus and dialogue the required steps will be taken with Alewi opinion leaders.



Selahattin Demirtaş – Presidential Candidate of the Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP)

- "Young Card" project will be prepared. The card will be loaded 500 TL per month, and young people will be able to cover their expenses such as transportation, food, and cultural activities. The number of child care and education centers will be increased. Women's participation in social, economic, and political life will be enhanced.
- The lowest retirement pension will be 3.000 TL. The pensioners will have the right to establish the union and negotiate with the government every year on social and economic rights.
- In addition to our official language, every child will have the right to education in their mother tongue.



Temel Karamollaoğlu – Presidential Candidate of the Felicity Party (SP)

- Every citizen will have free access to health care services. Workplace conditions and salaries will be adjusted according to international norms.
- Radical reforms will be implemented regarding the unfair tax system, high tax rates on fuel oil will be reduced, and the minimum wage will not be taxed. Rapid and widespread development pace will be initiated by allocating public resources to the production and employment.
- The Kurdish issue will be solved within the frame of rights and justice.



Doğu Perinçek – Presidential Candidate of the Patriotic Party

- Privatization in strategic sectors such as energy, transport, communications, information and food securitywill be stopped.
- Credit cards, consumer loans, and housing loans debts will be restructured. The minimum wage will be determined according to the needs and demands of the workers.
- Turkey will withdraw from the NATO and will not join the military alliance any longer.