

## **Refusal to vote**

On poll day, at the polling station, an elector may decide not to record vote in favour of any candidate even after putting his signature/thumb impression in the Voter Register. In that case the concerned Polling Officer, as per provision of Rule 49O of the Conduct of Election Rules'61, shall put a remark - "Refused to vote" in the Remarks column of the Voter Register against the elector's entry and obtain signature/ thumb impression of the elector against such remark. Thereafter the elector shall be allowed to leave the polling station without casting his vote.