

MADHUSUDAN LAW UNIVERSITY, CUTTACK

STUDENTS' UNION ELECTION 2026-27

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CASTING A VALID VOTE

Important: Please read the following instructions carefully before marking your ballot paper.

✓ DO'S — HOW TO CAST A VALID VOTE

1. Put a tick mark (✓) in the box provided against the name of the candidate of your choice.
2. Put only one tick mark (✓) against one candidate for each post.
3. Ensure that the tick mark is placed clearly inside the box provided against the candidate of your choice.
4. Check your ballot paper carefully before folding and dropping it into the ballot box.
5. Maintain the secrecy of your vote.
6. Follow the instructions given by the Presiding Officer and polling personnel.

✗ DON'TS — HOW TO AVOID AN INVALID VOTE

1. Do not put a tick mark against more than one candidate for the same post.
2. Do not leave the box blank if you wish to cast a valid vote for that post.
3. Do not use a cross (X), circle (O), or any other symbol instead of the prescribed tick mark (✓).
4. Do not put a tick mark outside the box provided.
5. Do not write your name, roll number, signature, or any other identifying mark on the ballot paper.
6. Do not overwrite, erase, or make unnecessary marks on the ballot paper.
7. Do not tear, damage, or deliberately deface the ballot paper.
8. Do not show your marked ballot paper to any other person.

⚠ WHEN MAY A VOTE BE DECLARED INVALID?

A vote may be declared invalid if:

1. The voter marks more than one candidate for the same post.
2. The voter uses a mark other than the prescribed tick mark (✓), contrary to the election instructions.
3. The mark is placed in such a way that the voter's choice cannot be determined.
4. The ballot paper contains a signature, identifying mark, or other disqualifying mark.
5. The ballot paper is otherwise marked in violation of the prescribed election rules.


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