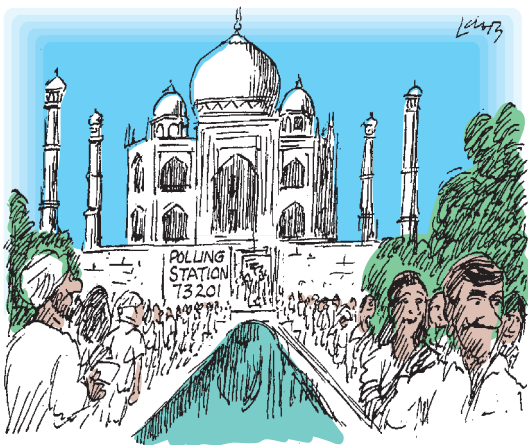


Record elections



A general election in Britain obviously takes some organising but is nothing compared to the one ranked by the *Guinness Book of Records* as the largest in the world

In India in 1991, 565,000 polling stations were staffed by three million officiators and were used by 315 million voters. The Liberian presidential elections of 1927 provided a record of a different sort. The winner declared that his majority over his opponent was 15 times greater than the entire electorate. He gave a whole new meaning to that adage, *vote early and vote often!*