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Congress' Silence Evidence Of Biswas' Guilt In Sexual Harassment Case, Say AITC Leaders Mausam Noor, Birbaha Hansda, Jyotsna Mandi & Shaoni Singha Roy

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- **A woman resident of Howrah has filed a police complaint against Bayron Biswas, Congress candidate for Sagardighi bypolls, accusing him of sexually harassing her.** The woman approached the Sankrail Police Station to register a complaint on Tuesday night, where she said that **Biswas had sexually harassed her under the false pretext of providing her with a job**
- **All India Trinamool Congress demands that the police set up a special team to get to the bottom of the case in a time-bound manner.** We are confident and have full faith in our police force
- **We are here to question the silence of the Congress party.** They have not said a word in the matter, when such a serious allegation has been levelled against its candidate for an election to the high office of the Member of Legislative Assembly
- **All the high talks of Congress' leaders about women empowerment will fall flat if the party decides to go ahead with their candidate, who has been accused of a grave crime**
- **Until the matter is fully probed, Congress should withdraw Bayron Biswas' candidacy.** People's representatives shouldn't be those who have committed heinous crimes. **It is unethical for a party of Congress' standard to allow such a person to continue contesting elections**
- **Do the people of Sagardighi want a candidate who has been accused of such a crime, especially when Congress, itself, has chosen to remain silent over the issue**
- **In Bengal, we feel secure because Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has always prioritised safety of women.** We are aware of how CM Mamata Banerjee has worked for women through her schemes like Lakshmir Bhandar, Kanyashree or Rupashree
- **Trinamool Congress stands with the aggrieved victim, who has shown immense guts to come out and file a police complaint.** All mothers and sisters of Sagardighi are demanding an answer from the Congress candidate and the party's silence over this issue is evidence of their guilt
- **The victim filed a complaint on February 21, but even after two days, the Congress has kept silent about this issue. Does Congress' silence mean that the allegations are true? Being a candidate, it is Bayron Biswas' moral duty to speak up, or else the people will consider that all allegations levelled against him are true**

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