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Information regarding individuals with pending criminal cases, who have been selected as candidates, along with the reasons for such selection, as also as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates

(As per the Commission's directions issued in pursuance of the Order dated 13.02.2020 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in contempt petition (C) no. 2192 of 2018 in WP(C) No. 536 of 2011)

Name of the Political Party: ALL INDIA TRINAMOOL CONGRESS

\*Name of the Election: **BIENNIAL ELECTION TO THE COUNCIL OF STATES FROM WEST BENGAL 2024** 

Name of State/UT: WEST BENGAL

(1) Name of the Constituency - West Bengal
 Name of the Candidate - Shrimati Mamata Thakur

Sl. No.			
1.	Criminal Antecedents		
	a.	Nature of the offences	<ol> <li>Offences alleged Under Sections: 353, 323, 34 of IPC</li> <li>Offences alleged Under Sections: 174 (a) of Railway Act</li> <li>Offences alleged Under Sections: 447, 427, 506, 34 of IPC</li> <li>Offence alleged Under Section: 325, 379, 326, 307, 447, 506 of IPC</li> </ol>
	b.	Case no.	<ol> <li>Case No. 177/2018</li> <li>Case No. 01/2019</li> <li>Case No. 346/2016</li> <li>Case No. 543/2016</li> </ol>
	c.	Name of the Court	<ol> <li>Cachar District Court</li> <li>Special Court BTs, Eastern Railway</li> <li>Gaighata P.S., Bongaon Court</li> <li>Gaighata P.S., Bongaon Court</li> </ol>
	d.	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	No
	e.	Date of conviction, if any	N/A
	f.	Details of punishment undergone, if any	N/A
	g.	Any other information required to be given	N/A N/A

2.	The reasons for the selection of the	The candidate in question is a pivotal figure
	candidate. Selection shall be with	within the Matua community, serving as a
	reference to the qualifications,	beacon of leadership and actively
	achievements and merit of the	participating in initiatives aimed at the
	candidate, and not mere	betterment of her community members. Her
	"winnability" at the polls (not more	deep-rooted involvement and commitment
	than 100 words)	to the welfare of the community underscores
		her suitability for public office. Moreover, it
		is important to consider that the majority of
		legal charges she faces are purportedly the
		result of political rivalry, suggesting that the
		allegations may be unfounded and driven by
		motives aimed at tarnishing her reputation
		due to her influential status. As such, her
		candidacy is supported on the grounds of her
		strong advocacy for her community and the
		questionable legitimacy of the accusations
		against her.
3.	Reasons as to why other	Same as above.
	individuals without criminal	
	antecedents could not be selected	
	as candidates (not more than 100	
	words)	

(2) Name of the Constituency – West BengalName of the Candidate – Shrimati Mamata Thakur

\* In the case of election to Council of States or States or election to Legislative Council by MLAs, mention the election concerned in place of name of Constituency.

Signature of office bearer of the Political Party Name and Designation



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