(for political parties to publish in the newspapers, social media platforms & website of the party)

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 Political Party: ALL INDIA TRINAMOOL CONGRESS

*Name of the Election: GENERAL ELECTION TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL, 2021

Name of State/UT: WEST BENGAL

(1) Name of the Constituency – 131 - Kakdwip

Name of the candidate - Mr. Manturam Pakhira

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1.	Cri	minal antecedents	
i)	a.	Nature of the offences	U/S- 147/323/506 of Indian Penal Code 1860
	b.	Case no.	Kakdwip P.S Case No. – 20/1989
	C.	Name of the Court	Bidhannagar special court
	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	NO
ii)	a.	Nature of the offences	U/S 147/148/149/353/332/325/427/151/ 506 of Indian Penal Code 1860
	b.	Case no.	Kakdwip PS Case No. – 25/1989
	C.	Name of the Court	Bidhannagar special court

	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	NO
2.	The reasons for the selection of the candidate. Selection shall be with reference to the qualifications, achievements and merit of the candidate, and not mere "winnability" at the polls (not more than 100 words)	Manturam Pakhira is a three-time MLA and was Sundarban Development Minister in the last term where he worked to establish ecotourism in the district, generating economy in Kakdwip subdivision. He is easily accessible to the people and has set up a number of small scale industries, along with other philanthropic work, throughout Kakdwip subdivision.
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	He has established his foothold in Sunderban area after 2013, and throughout Kakdwip subdivision he has significant influence among the AITC cadres. Apart from that, he has significant control over the economy of Sunderban. He manages his good image by doing a numerous number of philanthropic works. He is easily accessible to the people.

(2) Name of the Constituency – 131 - Kakdwip

Name of the candidate: Mr. Manturam Pakhira

* 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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