

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 TRINAMOOOL CONGRESS**

*Name of the Election: **GENERAL ELECTION TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF WEST BENGAL, 2026**

Name of State/UT: **WEST BENGAL**

- (1) Name of the Constituency - **221 - Gopiballavpur Assembly Constituency**
Name of the Candidate - **Ajit Mahata**

Sl. No.			
1.	Criminal Antecedents		
	a.	Nature of the offences	Offences alleged under Sections: 1. Section 121 of Municipal Act, 1993 2. Section 121 of Municipal Act, 1993 3. Section 121 of Municipal Act, 1993 4. Section 23A of Panchayat Act, 1993 5. Section 121 of Municipal Act, 1993
	b.	Case No.	1. NGR 1057/2019 2. NGR 1099/2019 3. NGR 1061/2019 4. NGR 1052/2019 5. NGR 1059/2019
	c.	Name of the Court	1. Learned C.J.M, Jhargram 2. Learned C.J.M, Jhargram 3. Learned C.J.M, Jhargram 4. Learned C.J.M, Jhargram 5. Learned C.J.M, Jhargram
	d.	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	1. Yes on 14/11/2025 2. Yes on 7/2/2026 3. Yes on 14/11/2025 4. Yes on 11/9/2025 5. Yes on 14/11/2025
	e.	Date of conviction, if any	Not Applicable
	f.	Details of punishment undergone, if any	Not Applicable
	g.	Any other information required to be given	Not Applicable

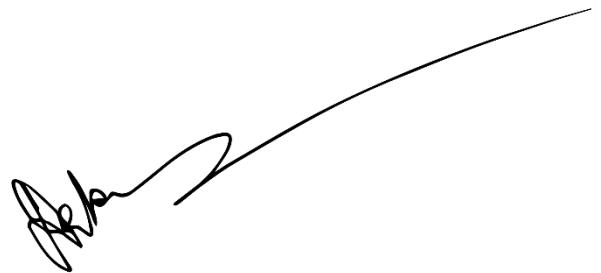
2.	The reasons for the selection of the candidate. Selection shall be with reference to the qualifications, achievements and merit of the candidate, and not mere "winnability" at the polls (not more than 100 words)	The candidate is a political figure and has been consistently involved in social welfare activities, serving the marginalized sections of the society and has demonstrated a continuous commitment towards the development of society. He has actively worked at the grassroots level, addressing public concerns and contributing to local initiatives aimed at improving social conditions. His transparent public record, accountability and dedication to serving people reflect his suitability to represent public interests. The selection is thus based on merit, integrity, and service to society rather than mere electoral considerations.
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	Same as above.

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* 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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