

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)

(1) Name of the Political Party: **ALL INDIA TRINAMOOL 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 - **73 - Hariharpara Assembly Constituency**
Name of the Candidate - **Niamot Sheikh**

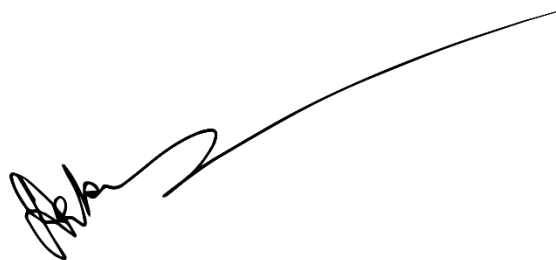
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1.	Criminal Antecedents		
	a.	Nature of the offences	Offences alleged under: Sections 146/174(A) of the Railway Act, 1989.
	b.	Case No.	Special Case No. 08/2025
	c.	Name of the Court	Learned Judicial Magistrate Bidhannagar Court, North 24 Parganas
	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
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)		Niamot Sheikh was selected as a candidate owing to his long-standing presence in the Hariharpara region and the deep personal rapport he had cultivated with people across different sections of the constituency. First elected in 2016 and re-elected in 2021, his repeated electoral endorsement reflects a strong personal rapport with a diverse cross-section of voters. As someone rooted in the constituency's social fabric, Sheikh has displayed an ability to resonate with residents' everyday concerns, ranging from rural development and livelihood stability to community welfare. His lived understanding of local realities, approachable demeanour, and sustained

		engagement with citizens' needs have established him as a trusted, merit-based choice capable of representing his community's aspirations in the state legislature.
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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