

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: **West Bengal Legislative Assembly Elections 2026**

Name of State/UT: **West Bengal**

(1) Name of the Constituency - **210 Nandigram**

(2) Name of the Candidate - **Pabitra Kar**

Sl. No.			
1.	Criminal Antecedents		
	a.	Nature of the offences	Offences alleged under Sections: 1) Sections 341/323/325/326/506/34 IPC, 1860 2) Sections 341/323/325/307/427/506/34 IPC, 1860 3) Sections 341/323/325/307/427/379/506/34 IPC, 1860 4) Section 379 IPC, 1860 5) Sections 448/323/427/506/34 IPC, 1860 6) Sections 447/323/506/34 IPC, 1860
	b.	Case No.	1) GR. Case No. 1912/23 arising out of Nandigram Police Station Case No. 924 of 2023 dated 22.06.2023 2) GR. Case No. 402/21 arising out of Nandigram Police Station Case No. 108 of 2021 dated 17.03.2021 3) SC Case No. 141/21 arising out of Nandigram Police Station Case No. 122 of 2021 dated 27.03.2021 4) G.R Case No. 88/20 arising out of Nandigram Police Station Case No. 19 of 2020 dated 23.01.2020 5) C.R Case No. 272/20 6) C.R Case No. 192/20
	c.	Name of the Court	7) ACJM, Haldi, Purba Medinipur 8) ACJM, Haldi, Purba Medinipur 9) ADJ, Haldia, Purba Medinipur 10) ACJM, Haldia, Purba Medinipur 11) Judicial Magistrate, Haldia, Purba Medinipur 12) ACJM, Haldia, Purba Medinipur
	d.	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	1) No 2) No 3) No 4) No 5) No 6) No
	e.	Date of conviction, if any	Not Applicable
	f.	Details of punishment undergone, if any	Not Applicable

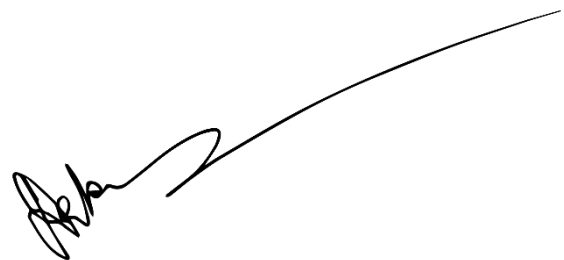
	g.	Any other information required to be given	Not Applicable
2.		The reasons for the selection of the candidate. Selection shall be with reference to the qualifications, achievements and merit of the candidate, and not mere "winnability" at the polls (not more than 100 words)	A tireless worker, devoted to the cause of the society, especially the poor and the downtrodden. Known for being approachable and closely involved at the grassroots level, he has built a reputation as a leader who places local issues and community well-being at the forefront. His accessibility and regular interaction with constituents demonstrate his dedication to responsive governance and proactive public service.
3.		Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	His understanding of voter sentiment on issues that resonate locally positioned him uniquely to challenge strong opponents in a deeply symbolic constituency. The party's strategic choice reflects a positive preference for his ability to bridge community concerns with effective electoral mobilisation, qualities that, in this specific context, were judged to be strong. The proceedings against the candidate are false, frivolous, with oblique political motive and deserves to be disregarded.

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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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