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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)

(1) 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 - **25 Matigara-Naxalbari (SC)**  
Name of the Candidate - **Shankar Malakar**

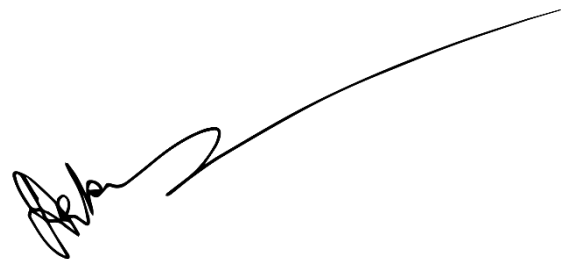
| Sl. No. |                      |                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|---------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.      | Criminal Antecedents |                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|         | a.                   | Nature of the offences                           | Offences alleged under Sections:<br>(i) Section 34/420/506 of IPC, 1860.<br>(ii) Section 34/339/341 of IPC, 1860.<br>(iii) Section 143/186/323/ 506 of IPC, 1860.<br>(iv) Sections 120B/468/471 of IPC, 1860.<br>(v) Sections 34/323 of IPC of 1860.                                                                                                                                                 |
|         | b.                   | Case No.                                         | (i) GR. No. 215/15, (in connection to P.S. Case No. 27/15, Bagdogra Police Station Darjeeling)<br>(ii) P.S. Case No. 158/15, Matigara Police<br>(iii) GR. No. 2824/15, (in connection to P.S. Case No. 476/15, Police Station Darjeeling)<br>(iv) GR. No. 2725/15, (in connection to P.S. Case No. 705/15, Siliguri Police Station Darjeeling)<br>(v) P.S. Case No. 1119/14, Siliguri Police Station |
|         | c.                   | Name of the Court                                | (i) A.C.J.M., Siliguri, Darjeeling<br>(ii) A.C.J.M., Siliguri, Darjeeling<br>(iii) A.C.J.M., Siliguri, Darjeeling<br>(iv) A.C.J.M., Siliguri, Darjeeling<br>(v) A.C.J.M., Siliguri, Darjeeling                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|         | d.                   | Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No) | (i) No<br>(ii) No<br>(iii) No<br>(iv) No<br>(v) No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|         | e.                   | Date of conviction, if any                       | N.A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

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|    | 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) | The candidate's selection is based on his proven legislative experience and sustained public engagement. The candidate maintains strong contact with the people, remains accessible, and has actively contributed to addressing public issues and local concerns. The selection is further based on transparency in disclosures, adherence to legal requirements, and a record that reflects accountability. The candidate's overall suitability to represent the interests of the constituency, along with a clear commitment to public service, forms the basis of selection. |
| 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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