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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)

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 - **236 Medinipur**

(2) Name of the Candidate - **Sujoy Hazra**

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1.	Criminal Antecedents		
	a.	Nature of the offences	Offences alleged under Sections: 147/148/149/186/353/34/323/332/379/511/427/506 IPC, 1860 and Sections 3 of the Prevention of Damage to Public Property Act.
	b.	Case No.	G.R. No. 261/2011 arising out of Kotwali PS Case No. 45 of 2011 dated 31.01.2011
	c.	Name of the Court	Ld. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Paschim Medinipur
	d.	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	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)		He has served in key organizational roles within the party, including as district president, and is known for his active engagement in district-level political work. Before entering full-time politics, he was involved in business and social work, and his educational background includes postgraduate studies.

3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	The candidate has demonstrated sustained leadership, strong voter engagement, and proven ability to address local issues effectively. His familiarity with regional challenges, ability to mobilize support, and active participation in party programmes made him better positioned to deliver electoral success and long-term development outcomes, ensuring continuity in governance and strengthening the party's presence at both the local and district levels. The proceeding initiated against him is more than a decade old, lacks merit and was initiated with an oblique political motive.
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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
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