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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 - **232 Chandrakona (SC)**

(2) Name of the Candidate - **Surjya Kanta Doloi**

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1.	Criminal Antecedents		
	a.	Nature of the offences	Offences alleged under Sections: 341/323/325/447/427/509/34 of IPC 1860
	b.	Case No.	G.R. Case No. 601 of 2021 arising out of Chandrakona PS Case No. 192/2021 dated 18.05.2021
	c.	Name of the Court	Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Ghatal
	d.	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	Yes
	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)		Surya Kanta Doloi has been selected as the candidate owing to his strong grassroots presence, deep engagement with the people of the Chandrakona Assembly constituency, and his proven ability to mobilise public support around developmental priorities. His consistent organisational work, commitment to the welfare of local communities, and alignment with the ideals of inclusive development make him a credible, merit-based, and representative choice.

3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	His ability to counter divisive narratives, maintain public confidence, and translate support into a decisive mandate placed him ahead of other potential candidates. The collective sentiment of the constituency, reflected through sustained mobilisation, public enthusiasm, and a clear preference for his leadership, made it evident that he was uniquely positioned to carry forward the party's development vision. Accordingly, his selection reflects a positive endorsement of his competence and acceptance, rather than any inadequacy on the part of other aspirants.
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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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