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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 - **209 Haldia (SC)**

(2) Name of the Candidate - **Tapasi Mondal**

Sl. No.			
1.	Criminal Antecedents		
	a.	Nature of the offences	Offences alleged under Sections: Sections 143/147/149/186/283/323/353/427/120B IPC 1860 and Section 3 of Prevention of Damage to Public Property Act, 1984 and Section 9 of the West Bengal Maintenance of Public Order Act, 1972 and Section 8B of the National Highways Act, 1956
	b.	Case No.	G.R Case No. 2744 of 2022 arising out of Tamluk PS Case No. 828 of 2022.
	c.	Name of the Court	Ld. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Tamluk, Purba 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	A criminal revisional application is preferred against the aforementioned case, being G.R Case No. 2744 of 2022, before the Hon’ble High Court at Calcutta and the same is currently pending.
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		The candidate is a dedicated social worker having tremendous goodwill amongst the electorate at large. Her continued relevance stems from her strong community presence, adaptability across party platforms, and demonstrated capacity to retain voter trust and support amidst political shifts, making her a

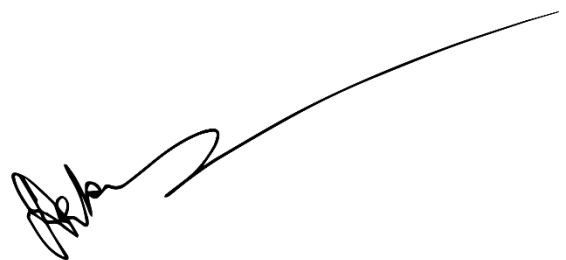
	polls (not more than 100 words)	more strategically viable choice.
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	The chosen candidate's established engagement with the community and demonstrated capacity to respond to local needs makes her a strategically preferable option for ensuring effective representation and electoral success. The proceedings against the candidate are baseless, devoid of merit, borne out of political vendetta and deserves to be disregarded for the present purpose.

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Signature of office bearer of the Political Party
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