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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 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 - **234 - Salboni Constituency**
Name of the Candidate - **Srikanta Mahata**

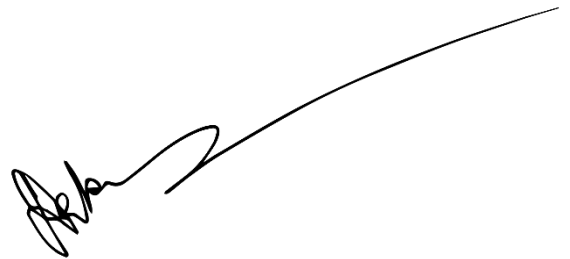
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1.	Criminal Antecedents		
	a.	Nature of the offences	Offences alleged under: 1. Sections 302/34, IPC, 1860. Sections 25/27 of Arms Act adding Sections 120B/121/121A/122/123/124A of I.P.C, 1860. 2. Sections 144/448/506/379/186/120B/121/121A/123/124A of I.P.C, 1860. 3. Sections 143/144/186/188/447/504/506 of I.P.C, 1860.
	b.	Case No.	1. GR Case No. 1411/2010 arising out of Salboni Police Station Case No. 69/2010 2. GR Case No. 1166/2009 arising out of Salboni Police Station Case No. 55/2009 3. GR Case No. 1029/2009 arising out of Salboni Police Station Case No. 42/2009
	c.	Name of the Court	1. Learned C.J.M, Paschim Medinipur 2. Learned C.J.M, Paschim Medinipur 3. Learned C.J.M, 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)	The candidate is a veteran political figure with a deep focus on public engagement. His merit is defined by his deep-rooted connection to the local community, where he has consistently served as an accessible and trusted representative. He is a qualified representative who prioritizes community welfare and maintains a strong focus on grassroots development and social cohesion.
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
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