

**Format C-7**

(for political parties to publish in the newspapers, social media platforms & website of the party)

Information regarding individuals with pending criminal cases, who have been selected as candidates, along with the reasons for such selections, as also as to why other individuals without criminal antecedent 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 Political Party- Bharatiya Janata Party

Name of Election- West Bengal Assembly Election 2021

Name of State- West Bengal

**20. Name of the Constituency –109-KHARDAHA****Name of the Candidate- SILBHADRA DATTA**

Sl 1.	Criminal antecedents		
a.	Nature of the offences	U/S 143/427/332/506/353/186/341 OF IPC	
b.	Case no.	CASE NO.318 OF 2015	
c.	Name of the Court	Ld. Addl. District and sessions judge, fast track 2 <sup>nd</sup> court at Barrackpore, north 24 Parganas	
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	Nothing	
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 is qualified and has done his Masters of Commerce from Kolkata University and is a popular representative of his constituency and worked extensively for the development of his constituency, particularly for the youth. The sole pending case against him is a result of political vendetta by the ruling party.	

3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	The sole case pending against him is frivolous and politically motivated, his contribution to the social field is undisputable. He has built an unparalleled reputation through social and developmental work.
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