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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 : **BHARATIYA JANATA PARTY (BJP)**

*Name of the Election : **GENERAL ELECTION TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY-2026, WEST BENGAL**

Name of State/UT : **WEST BENGAL**

(1) Name of the Constituency : **276 DURGAPUR PURBA**

Name of the Candidate : **SHRI CHANDRA SHAKHAR BANERJEE**

Sl. No.		
1.	Criminal antecedents	
	a. Nature of the Offences	Felonious
	b. Case No.	1. GR 575/2016 U/S 143, 506 IPC 2. GR 1790/2015 U/S 406, 420, 409, 506, 120B IPC 3. GR 1062/2006 U/S 323, 325, 148 IPC 4. GR 1465/2016 U/S 147, 149, 323, 506, 325, 120B IPC 5. GR 572/2016 U/S 323, 341, 354, 506, 34 IPC 6. GR 877/2016 U/S 147, 149, 447, 323, 427, 506 IPC
	c. Name of the Court	1. Ld. 3rd J.M., Durgapur 2. Ld. 3rd J.M., Durgapur 3. Ld. 3rd J.M., Durgapur 4. Ld. 3rd J.M., Durgapur 5. Ld. 3rd J.M., Durgapur 6. Ld. 3rd J.M., Durgapur
	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	No
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 has extensive political involvement and strong grassroots presence in the constituency. The pending cases are political in nature arising out of public movements, and no conviction has been recorded against him. His leadership qualities, experience, and public acceptance justify his selection as a candidate.
3.	Reason as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	Other individuals without criminal antecedents lacked comparable political experience, public connection, and organizational strength. The selected candidate has demonstrated superior ability to represent the constituency and effectively carry forward party objectives.

*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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