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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

Name of Political Party: Indian National Congress

Name of Election: State Assembly Election-2026.

Name of State/UT: Assam

Name of the candidate: Sri Devid Phukan

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1	Criminal antecedents	
	a.	Nature of the offences SECTION 296, 115(2), 351(2), 3(5) OF BNS
	b.	Case no. POLICE REPORT CASE 326/2025
	c.	Name of the Court JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE FIRST CLASS, DHEMAJI
	d.	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No) YES
	e.	Date of conviction, if any NA
	f.	Details of punishment undergone, if any NA
	g.	Any other information required to be given NA
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)	I have been selected as a candidate based on my strong commitment to public service, consistent grassroots engagement, and proven leadership within the community. I possess a clear understanding of local issues in Tinsukia and have actively contributed to social development initiatives. My integrity organizational skills, and ability to connect with diverse sections of society make me a deserving candidate. My selection reflects merit, dedication, and capability to effectively represent the people, rather than considerations of electoral winnability.
3	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	Other individuals without criminal antecedents were duly considered; however, they were not selected due to comparatively limited grassroots engagement, lesser involvement in sustained public service initiatives, and lack of demonstrated leadership at the organizational and community levels. Some candidates also had less experience in addressing key local issues specific to Tinsukia. In comparison, I have shown consistent dedication, stronger connect with the electorate, and a proven track record of effective social and developmental work, making me more suitable on merit, qualifications, and achievements.

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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

Name and designation: **Pradyut Kumar Bhuyan, General Secretary (Admin),
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