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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 Jakaria Ahmed

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1	Criminal antecedents	
a.	Nature of the offences	U/S 506, 294, 34 IPC U/S 420, 34 IPC
b.	Case no.	CR 251/2023 CR 974/2023
c.	Name of the Court	Chief Judicial Magistrate, Sribhumi
d.	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	No
e.	Date of conviction, if any	NA
f.	Details of punishment undergone, if any	NA
g.	Any other information required to be given	Matter is stayed by order dated 14/07/2023 in Criminal Revision No. 34/2023 Stage of the case is 'call for records.
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)	Jakaria Ahmed has been selected as the candidate of the Indian National Congress for the North Karimganj Assembly Constituency because of his long association with public service strong grassroots support, and his commitment to the development of the constituency. The criminal cases mentioned herein are not of a serious nature and have arisen out of a private property dispute. The party is satisfied that these cases do not involve any moral turpitude and therefore do not affect his suitability as a public representative.
3	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	After careful evaluation of the experience, public outreach, organizational work, and ability to effectively represent the constituency, Jakaria Ahmed was found to be the most suitable candidate. Moreover all these cases are basically complaint cases arisen out of property dispute and not of serious nature

2 Name of the Election: State Assembly Election 2026, Assam
Name of the candidate: Jakaria Ahmed

* 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),
Assam Pradesh Congress Committee**