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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 Political Party: - **Bhartiya Janta Party**

*Name of the Election: - **General Election 2024**

Name of State/UT: - **Bihar**

Name of the Constituency:- **14 – Darbhanga**

Name of the Candidate:- **Sri Gopal Jee Thakur**

Sl.No.	Criminal Antecedents		
1.	a	Nature of the Offences	Section 143, 353, 342 IPC
	b	Case no.	Darbhanga Town P.S. Case No. 230/2013 (GR No. 3080/2013)
	c	Name of the Court	CJM, Darbhanga.
	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	Cognizance has been taken vide order dated 13.03.2023 which is hopelessly barred by limitation.
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 has a political experience of almost four decades. He has discharged organizational responsibilities in the BJP, including General Secretary of Kishan Morcha of BJP Darbhanga District and Vice President of Bihar BJP. He has been a member of Standing Committee on Railways. He was MLA from Benipur. He is sitting MP from Darbhanga Lok Sabha seat and had won by a margin of 2,67,979 votes in 2019. The case against him is trivial in nature relating to sitting on dharna protesting for removal of statute from Chandradhari Museum for the people of Darbhanga.
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)		The case was lodged because he stood for the honour of the people of Darbhanga town. He always raised issues against the administration on behalf of the common man and therefore is a popular leader and such criminal case has no meaning, hence he was preferred over other.

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Name of Political Party: - Bhartiya Janta Party				
*Name of the Election: - General Election 2024				
Name of State/UT: - Bihar				
Name of the Constituency:- 22 – Ujiarpur				
Name of the Candidate:- Sri Nityanand Rai				
S. No.	Criminal Antecedents			
1.	a	Nature of the Offences	U/s 153(A) IPC & 125 R.P. Act, 1956	U/s 504, 505 IPC
	b	Case no.	Narpatganj (Araria) P.S . Case No. 129/18	Samastipur Complaint Case No. 733/17
	c	Name of the Court	C.J.M., Araria	A.C.J.M.-IV, Samastipur
	d	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	No	No
	e	Date of conviction, if any	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
	f	Details of punishment undergone, if any	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
	g	Any other information required to be given	It is a trivial offence for violation of model code of conduct.	He along with other party leaders sat on Dharna for raising various issues in favour of general public.
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 Union Minister of State for Home Affairs. He has been MP of Ujiarpur Constituency since 2014 and MLA from Hajipur, Bihar since 2000 till he was elected an MP. He has been a Member of Standing committee on Agriculture; and Commerce. He has discharged various organizational responsibilities including, Bihar BJP President. He has carried out immense development work in the area. He was implicated in the Hajipur PS case because he was an opposition leader and extended his support the local people protesting against callous attitude of not replacing a burnt transformer. Other cases are also politically motivated.	
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)		No other prospective candidate matched his stature, devotion to public service and popularity. His ability to pull along the people of his constituency and entrepreneurial spirit in causing development work while effectively discharging his duties as a minister is unmatched. The cases against him are all politically motivated..	
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Sl. No.	Criminal Antecedents		
1.	a	Nature of the Offences	Section 188, 298, 153 (A), 295(A), 171(C) & 505 (II) IPC.
	b	Case no.	Begusarai Town P.S. Case No. 221/ 2019
	c	Name of the Court	ASJ – I, Begusarai.
	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	Awaiting filing of Final Report..
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)		<p>He is the Minister of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Department and has served as State Minister (independent charge) of the MSME and Minister of Cooperative, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Resources Development in the Government of Bihar.</p> <p>He was MLC in Bihar (2002-2014) and MP in 2014.</p> <p>He was a member of the Joint Committee on Salaries and Allowances of Members of Parliament; and Standing Committee on Labour.</p> <p>The criminal cases against him are trivial in nature.</p> <p>He performed a leading role in expansion of the Barauni Oil refinery, new plant of HURL, railway bridge and waterfront development at Simaria.</p>
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)		<p>His outstanding performance in the field of public service is unmatched in the state of Bihar. His vision for state of Bihar especially, the farmers of the state of Bihar makes him an adorable political figure. The cases against him are trivial in nature. His stature is stellar.</p>

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