

(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 a 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: BHARATIYA JANATA PARTY

\* Name of the Election: LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2026, KERALA

Name of State/UT : KERALA

- (1) Name of the Constituency – 19- KALPETTA  
 (2) Name of the Candidate – PRASANTH KUMAR

Sl.No.			
1.	Criminal antecedents		
	a.	Nature of the offences	1. U/s 143,144,145,147,148,283,332,149 r/w Prevention of Damage to Public Property Act 1984 2. 171E,171F,201,511,201,204,175 r/w 120B r/w 34 IPC 3. U/s.143, 147, 283 r/w 149 of IPC 4. U/s 143, 147, 283 r/w 149 of IPC 5. U/s143, 147 and 283 r/w 34 of IPC. 6. U/s 143,147,283r/w149 7. U/s 189 (2), 189 (3) 191 (2), 285, 190 BNS 8. 143,145,147,283,149 IPC, 117(e) KP Act
	b.	Case no.	1. CC 538/2017 S Bathery P.S Cr.578 / 2017 2. CC 38/2024 S Bathery P S Cr.392/2021 3. CC 185/2022 Kalpetta PS Cr.622/2013 4. CC 1134/2023 Kalpetta P S Cr. 557/2018 5. CC 814/2025 Kalpetta P S Cr.279/2018 6. CC 1465/2020 Kalpetta P S Cr.524/2018 7. CC 756/2025 Mananathavady P S Cr.960/2025 8. CC 660/2023 Mnanathavady P S 994/2018
	c.	Name of the Court	1. JFCM COURT-I, SULTHAN BATHERY 2. JFCM COURT-I, SULTHAN BATHERY 3. JFCM COURT, KALPETTA 4. JFCM COURT, KALPETTA 5. JFCM COURT, KALPETTA 6. JFCM COURT, KALPETTA 7. JFCM COURT-II, MANANTHAVADY 8. JFCM COURT-II, MANANTHAVADY
	d.	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	1. Yes, Charge Framed 2. Charge not Framed, 3. Pleaded Guilty, Fine of Rs.600/- 4. Pleaded Guilty, Fine of Rs.800/- 5. Pleaded Guilty, Fine of Rs.600/- 6. Pleaded Guilty, Fine of Rs.600/- 7. Pleaded Guilty, Fine of Rs.3800/- 8. Pleaded Guilty, Fine of Rs.3500/-
	e.	Date of conviction, if any	NA
	f.	Details of punishment undergone, if any	NA
	g.	Any other information	NA

	required to be given	
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 selected candidate is a very sincere and dedicated party worker, who has already been on various important position in the party
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidate (not more than 100 words)	All the criminal cases against candidate is politically motivated and baseless. Such cases are fabricated and without any evidence. None of the alleged case involves any allegation of moral turpitude.

\*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.

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(Signature of Office bearer of the Political Party)