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Information Regarding Candidates 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 : Bharatiya Janata Party  
 Name of the Election : Legislative Assembly Election 2026, Kerala  
 Name of State/UT : Kerala  
 1. Name of the Constituency : 113 ARANMULA  
 Name of the Candidate : KUMMANAM RAJASEKHARAN

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1.	Criminal antecedents	Offence under section 144(Unlawful Assembly) , Kerala Epidemic disease Act 2021
	a. Nature of the offences	Criminal
	b. Case no.	1. CC 777/2017(JFMC III, TVM) 2. CC 447/2018(CJM III, TVM) 3. CC 142/2022 (JFMC III, TVM) 4. CC 237/2022(JFMC IX, Ernakulum 5. ST 09/2023(CJM IV )
	c. Name of the Court	Proceedings stayed by the Hon'ble High Court.
	d. Whether charges have been framed (Yes/No)	No
	e. Date of conviction, (if any)	No
	f. Details of punishment undergone (if any)	Not Applicable
	g. Any other relevant information	No
2.	The Reasons for 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)	Kummanam Rajasekharan has been nominated as a candidate by the Bharatiya Janata Party Considering in achievements involvement in the social issuer and his strong stand for the cause of the weaker section of the society. He is former Governor of Mizoram State and the former president of Bharatiya Janata Party .
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	The candidate enjoys the confidence and trust of the party. He has demonstrated a personal commitment to the development of the state and welfare of its people. The candidate is regarded as one of

		the most accessible and approachable members of the party, consistently exhibiting a wellness to consider and address the concern of the public. In view of the forgoing factors, he is assted to have highest likelihood of electoral success among all candidates presently under consideration.
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(2) Name of the Constituency: 113 ARANMULA

Name of the Candidate: KUMMANAM RAJASEKHARAN and so on

In the case of election to Council of States or States or election to Legislative Council by MLA's mention the election concerned in place of name of Constituency.

Signature of office bearer of the Political Party

Name & Designation: Rajeev Chandrasekhar,  
State President Bharatiya Janata Party , Kerala