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(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 as the 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.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 : OTTAPALAM - 52

Name of the Candidate : A K RAVINDRAN

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1	Criminal antecedents	
	(a) Nature of the offences	(1) Sec 354A, 500,501 Indian Penal Code & 120(O) of Kerala Police Act (2) Sec 420 r/w 34 Indian Penal Code
	(b) Case number	(1) CC 1517/2016 (2) Ininjalakuda Police Station Crime 1099/2024
	(c) Name of the Court	(1) JFCM No II, Ernakulam (2) JFCM No.I, Irinjalakuda
	(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	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)	The selected candidate is a Retired Army Officer with the President's Gallantry Medal to his credits for the operations done in Kashmir, Punjab and LTTE militants. Also a socially well known person for his social activities towards humanity.
3	Reason as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (Not more than 100 words)	The cases instituted against him are false and politically motivated. The candidate is one of the most accessible members within the party and is known to the receptive to the concerns and grievances of the public. He possesses highest prospects of electoral success among all the candidates under consideration.

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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.

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