

### **Format C-7**

*(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 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 : **2026, KERALAM ASSEMBLY GENERAL ELECTION**

Name of State/ ്രദേശം : **KERALAM**

(1) Name of the Constituency – **KATTAKADA-138**

(2) Name of the candidate – **P.K. KRISHNADAS**

Sl. No.			
1.	Criminal antecedents		
	a.	Nature of the offences	S.27 of Arms Act, 1959, Ss. 341,323,427,111,113, r/w 34 of IPC – Mannar PS Cr No. 22/2019
	b.	Case no.	CC 861/2022, ( Mannar PS Cr No. 22/2019)
	c.	Name of the Court	JFMC-1, Chenganur
	d.	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	Charge is not yet framed.
	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	NOT APPLICABLE
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 former Kerala State President of Bharatiya Janata Party, former Chairman, Railway Passengers Amenity Committee and for the last 50 decades he has been effectively interfering the matters in public domain. Party as well as Party workers in the constituency things that he is the fit candidate to contest in the upcoming election. He is a capable and committed leader.
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)		Most of the criminal cases against political party leaders are registered because of protests. This is inevitable in a democratic system. The wrong moves of the government can only be corrected through protests. In this situation, such cases will naturally arise.

\* 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.

Sd/-

**(PRESIDENT, BHARATIYA JANATA PARTY-KERALA)**

(Signature of office bearer of the Political Party)