

(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 : GENERAL ELECTION TO GUJARAT STATE ASSEMBLY

Name of State/ UT: GUJARAT

(1) Name of the Constituency - 146-PADRA

Name of the candidate - CHAITANYASINH PRATAPSINH ZALA

Sl. No.		
1.	Criminal antecedents	
	a.	Nature of the offences IPC 143, 147, 148, 149, 452, 336, 323, 504, 506, S.C. S.T.
	b.	Case no. SESSION CASE NO. 47/2017
	c.	Name of the Court SESSION COURT, VADODARA
	d.	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No) YES
	e.	Date of conviction, if any N.A.
	f.	Details of punishment undergone, if any N.A.
	g.	Any other information required to be given N.A.
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 CANDIDATE IS NOT ONLY WELL QUALIFIED BUT HAS BEEN ATTACHED TO PUBLIC SERVICE & PARTY ALSO AND IS A WIDELY ACCEPTED POPULAR LEADER.	
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words) MOST POPULAR IN HIS CONSTITUENCY SINCE HE HAS BEEN ELECTED MEMBER IN LOCAL BODY AND HENCE BEEN WELL CONNECTED WITH THE GENERAL MASS OF THE CONSTITUENCY. ONLY THE CHARGES HAVE BEEN FRAMED AND PROBABLY CHANCES ARE THAT HE IS LIKELY TO BE ACQUITTED.	

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**CHANDRAKANT RAGHUNATH PATIL (C. R. PATIL)**  
**(PRESIDENT, BHARATIYA JANATA PARTY-GUJARAT)**

(Signature of office bearer of the Political Party)