

(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 ELECTIONS TO THE HOUSE OF PEOPLE-2024 (LOKSABHA)**  
 Name of State/ ૫૪: **GUJARAT**  
 (1) Name of the Constituency : **06-GANDHINAGAR PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY, GUJARAT**  
 Name of the candidate : **SHAH AMITBHAI ANILCHANDRA**

Sl. No.			
1.	Criminal antecedents		
	a.	Nature of the offences	1) IPC 500, 503, 504, 427, 506, 436, 153A PROVOCATIVE SPEECH. 2) IPC 499,500. DEFAMATORY STATEMENT 3) IPC 188, CALLED LALU YADAV AS "CHARA CHOR" & R.P. ACT 125
	b.	Case no.	1) 34/2019. 2) CC NO. C/7741/2018 3) Case No. 6547/2015
	c.	Name of the Court	1) ADDL CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE KONTAI, WB. 2) 8 <sup>TH</sup> METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE, KOLKATA. 3) CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE SUB JUDGE-II, BEGUSARAI
	d.	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	1) NO            2) NO            3) NO
	e.	Date of conviction, if any	1) N.A.            2) N.A.            3) N.A.
	f.	Details of punishment undergone, if any	1) N.A.            2) N.A.            3) N.A.
	g.	Any other information required to be given	1) STAYED BY CALCUTTA HIGH COURT IN CRR 500/19 2) NO            3) NO
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 senior sincere and dedicated party worker who has already been associated with the party for more than 40 years. The Candidate is not only qualified but has been in various responsible positions attached to public service & party also and is a widely accepted popular leader amongst the general mass and is engaged extensively in active developmental works for the general public too.

3.	<b>Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)</b>	<b>The selected candidate is already a sitting MP from the same constituency and as a national level senior party worker he had an edge over other individuals considering the fact that whatever charges are alleged in the charge sheet have no substance and are purely with a vindictive approach and personal vendetta. The party believes that there will be no adverse outcome of the cases against the said candidate.</b>
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(Signature of office bearer of the Political Party)