(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: Janata Dal (United)

\*Name of the Election: Bye Election to the Legislative Council from Tirhut Graduates Constituency
Name of State/UT: Bihar

(1) Name of the Constituency- Tirhut Graduates Constituency Name of the candidate- Sri Abhishek Jha

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1.	Criminal antecedents		
		Nature of the offences	1. IPC Section 341, 323, 504,506, 385/34 (Fight between students in the college campus. A compromise petition was filed between both parties in court. But the case is pending as all the complainants required to be present in court in person, could not do so as after completing college they were away in far off places busy with their jobs) 2. IPC Section 448, 341, 323, 506, 504, 354, 385, 379/34 (The case was filed against Mr. Abhishek Jha (Candidate) & his family members who were preventing the complainant from trespassing the property of which our Candidate's family members were the rightful owners. A counter case also has been filed by the candidate's family members against the complainant)
	b.	Case no.	1. Case No. 18/2015, P.S. Pirabahore, Patna 2. Case No. 106/2016 P.S. Shastri Nagar Patna
	c.	Name of the Court	1. C.J.M., Patna 2.J.M.F. C 4 Patna
	d.	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	(I) Yes (II) 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.	qualifications, achievements and merit of the candidate, and not mere "winnability" at the polls (not more than 100 words)		spokesperson of our party who is very articulate in both Hindi and English languages. Apart from his academic qualifications, he has been doing exceptional social service in the Districts of Sitamarhi, Sheohar, Muzaffarpur and Vaishali districts which are part of the Tirhut Graduates Constituency. Overwhelming majority of the office bearers and party workers from these districts have unanimously recommended to our party leadership to field Mr. Abhishek Jha as the party's Candidate from this Constituency.
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)		Our party Office bearers from all the four districts of this constituency were of the unanimous opinion that Mr.Abhishek Jha was a better candidate than all other aspirants who wanted to contest from this constituency.

(2) Name of the Constituency- Tirhut Graduates Constituency, Name of the candidate-

\* 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.

(Arun Kumar), General Secretary, Bihar Pradesh Janata Dal (United)