

**(for political parties to publish in the newspaper, 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 © no. 2192 of 2018 in W.P.(C) No. 536/2011)**

**Name of the Political Party: BIJU JANATA DAL**

**Name of the Election: GENERAL ELECTIONS TO THE STATE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ODISHA -2024**

**Name of the State: ODISHA**

**(1) Name of the Constituency - 72-KHARIAR AC**

**Name of the Candidate – SHRI ADHIRAJ MOHAN PANIGRAHI**

Sl. No.		
<b>1.</b>	<b>Criminal Antecedents</b>	
	<b>a.</b>	<b>Nature of the Offence</b>
		SI No. i to ix - Bailable
	<b>b.</b>	<b>Case No.</b>
		i. CT 22/2018 ii. CT 65/2021 iii. CT 415/2021 iv. CT 171/2023 v. CT 484/2023 vi. CT 335/2018 vii. GR No. 289/2009 viii. GR No. 154/2011 ix. CT 582/2016
	<b>c.</b>	<b>Name of the Court</b>
		SI No. i to vi - JMFC, Khariar vii. JMFC, Komna viii. JMFC(Special Court), Bolangir ix. JMFC, Boden
	<b>d.</b>	<b>Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)</b>
		No
	<b>e.</b>	<b>Date of Conviction, if any</b>
		N.A.
	<b>f.</b>	<b>Details of punishment undergone, if any</b>
		N.A.
	<b>g.</b>	<b>Any other information required to be given</b>
		All the cases are pending for appearance.
<b>2.</b>	<b>The reasons for the selection of the candidate. Selection shall be with reference to the qualifications, achievements and merit of the candidates and not mere "winnability"</b>	
	The candidate is a young and dynamic leader, having huge public contact and deeply involved in social activities. He has earlier represented his locality to the Odisha State Legislative Assembly and his performance was outstanding. He has always raised voice for the welfare of the general	

	at the polls (Not more than 100 words)	public. Moreover all the offenses alleged against him are bailable in nature.
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	In consideration of his above merits, his selection as a candidate to the <b>72-KHARIAR Assembly Constituency</b> is more justified than other individuals without criminal antecedents.

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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.



Signature of office bearer of the Political

Party Name and designation: **Dr. SASMIT PATRA**

**GENERAL SECRETARY.**

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