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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 : **INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS**
Name of the Election : **HARYANA ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS 2024**
Name of State/UT : **HARYANA**

(1) Name of the Constituency : 45-SIRSA
Name of the candidate : GOKUL SETIA

Sl. no.		
1.	Criminal antecedents	
	a. Nature of the offences	1. U/s 332, 34, 342, 353, 506, 186 IPC 1860 2. U/s 323, 365, 552, 506, 120B IPC of Criminal intimidation and section 25 of arms act.
	b. Case no.	1. FIR No. 0029 dated 11.01.2023 Case No. CHI 884/2023 2. FIR No. 00696 dated 21.10.2019 No Case No. as only FIR pending
	c. Name of the Court	1. Ld. CJM Sirsa 2. Only FIR pending, No Court
	d. Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	1. Not yet 2. Only FIR pending, No further progress
	e. Date of conviction, if any	1. No 2. No
	f. Details of punishment undergone, if any	1. No 2. No
	g. Any other information required to be given	1. Charges are yet to be framed 2. Only FIR pending, No further investigation as per knowledge of the candidate.
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 Gokul Setia contested Assembly from Sirsa Assembly Constituency as independent candidate in 2019 Assembly Election and secured 44313 votes. The candidate now has joined INC and has got political background and full faith in policies and programmes of INC.
3.	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	The Candidate Gokul Setia has got a very good following from the society and particularly of Sirsa Assembly Constituency. He is a popular leader and social worker. He is found to be a meritorious person than other aspirants for INC ticket for Sirsa Assembly Constituency.



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