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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 : **Bharath Dharma Jana Sena**

Name of the Election : **LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2026, KERALA**

Name of State : **KERALA**

Name of the Constituency : **ERAVIPURAM**

Name of the Candidate : **SAJI D ANAND**

Sl. No:	Criminal antecedents	
a	Nature of Offences	Unlawful assembly, rioting, obstruction of public way, violation of lockdown regulations, and acts likely to spread infection under IPC and Kerala Epidemic Diseases Ordinance
b	Case no.	FIR No. 1732/2020 of Kollam East Police Station
c	Name of the Court	JUDICIAL FIRST CLASS MAGISTRATE COURT - II, CHERTHALA
d	Whether Charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	No
e	Date of conviction, if any	Not Applicable
f	Details of punishment undergone, if any	Not Applicable
g	Any further information to be given	Not Applicable
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 possesses relevant experience and has demonstrated strong organizational and leadership abilities. His capacity to understand public concerns and contribute effectively to decision-making processes makes him a suitable choice based on merit and qualifications.
3	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	The selection was based on comparative evaluation of qualifications, experience, and ability to handle responsibilities. While other individuals may not have criminal antecedents, the chosen candidate demonstrated greater competence and suitability for effectively fulfilling the role.

* 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.

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