

**Format C-7**

(For political parties to publish  
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Information regarding individuals with pending 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 the Political Party: Indian National Congress**

**\*Name of the Election: Election to the council of states-Rajya Sabha**

**Name of State/UT: Rajasthan**

(1), Name of the Constituency: Election to the council of states from Rajasthan

**Name of the candidate : K C VENUGOPAL**

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1.	Criminal antecedents		
	a	Nature of the offences	1) Section 376, Section 354 of IPC. Section 120(o) of Kerala Police Act, 2011 2) Sections 283, 143, 147, 149 of IPC 1860 3) Sections 143,147,148,283 R/W 149 IPC& 4(1) R/w 6 of Kerala Police Act 2011
	b	Case No.	1) Crime No. 42/2018 of CBCID Police Station, Head Quarters, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala 2) Case No: CC108/2020 JFMC-1, Alappuzha, Kerala 3) Case No: 665, JFMC NO-II, Thrissur, Kerala
	c	Name of the Court	1) Pending for Investigation, No charge sheet has been filed in the court. 2) JFMC-1, Alappuzha, Kerala 3) JFMC NO-II, Thrissur, Kerala
	d	Whether charges have been framed or not (Yes/No)	1) No 2) No 3) Yes
	e	Date of conviction, if any	1) NA 2) NA 3) 24.01.2018
	f	Details of Punishment undergone, if any	1) NA 2) NA 3) Only Fine of Rs.1800/- imposed and paid.

	g	Any other information required to be given	NIL
2	The reason 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)	Shri. K.C. Venugopal has been in public life for over 4 decades and has an impeccable reputation being a Member of Parliament in Lok Sabha for two consecutive terms and three times MLA in the state legislative assembly, Kerala. Being a Minister of state in the Union Government and Minister in the state cabinet he had undertaken several commendable developmental initiatives and model policies. He has been honoured with top political positions in the party. Throughout his political and social career he has been a torchbearer of political and social morality and he has an excellent track record while holding public offices.	
3	Reasons as to why other individuals without criminal antecedents could not be selected as candidates (not more than 100 words)	The criminal cases against Shri. K.C. Venugopal are a political gimmick brought out on the eve of election to Loksabha in 2014. Allegations were made against Shri.Venugopal as he was among the foremost leaders of the Indian National Congress. None of the political parties or leaders or public has attached any significance to the allegations. The said allegations couldn't cast any shadow on his integrity and ethics and even after these allegations he won with a clear mandate. The other cases are registered for holding rallies and demonstrations against the anti people policies of the Governments in the power in the state and the centre. He has an established and outstanding track record of 23 years parliamentary life as the capacities of MLA & Member of Parliament.	

**(2) Name of the Constituency: Election to the Council of States from Rajasthan**

**Name of the candidate : K C VENUGOPAL**

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\*In the case of election to Council of States or States or election to Legislative Council by MLA's, mention the election concerned in place of name of Constituency.

Signature of the office bearer of the political party

(Motilal Vohra)  
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