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Government of India
Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
Community Radio Station Cell

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Dated: 03.02.2026

ADVISORY

Subject:- Mandatory Submission of Last Three Months' Programme Recordings for Renewal of GOPA-reg.

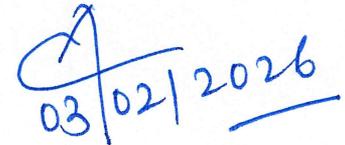
Reference is invited to the revised Policy Guidelines for setting up Community Radio Stations (CRS) in India, wherein it is mandatory for the permission holder to preserve recordings of all programmes broadcast for a period of three (03) months from the date of broadcast, failing which the Grant of Permission Agreement (GOPA) is liable to be revoked.

2. Submission of programme recordings is essential to ensure effective compliance with the provisions of the Policy Guidelines and conditions of the GOPA. Accordingly, all Community Radio Stations are required to mandatorily submit recordings of broadcast programmes for the last three (03) months while applying for renewal of the Grant of Permission Agreement (GOPA).

3. However, it has been observed that some stations have not attached this essential document along with their GOPA renewal applications, resulting in delays in the processing of renewals and wastage of manpower.

4. In view of the above, all Community Radio Stations are hereby directed to ensure strict compliance with these instructions. GOPA renewal applications shall be treated as incomplete in cases where recordings of the last three (03) months are not submitted, and the concerned organization shall be solely responsible for any delay arising there from.

5. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, followed by the date 03/02/2026, which is underlined.

(Mahendra Kumar Meena)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

To

All LOI/GOPA/WOL Holders Community Radio Stations (CRS)