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Community Radio Station Cell

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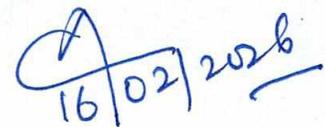
Subject: Instructions regarding timelines and submission of documents at the time of Renewal of Grant of Permission Agreement (GOPA) -reg.

Reference is invited to the revised Policy Guidelines for setting up Community Radio Stations (CRS) in India, wherein it has been stipulated that applications for renewal of GOPA are required to be submitted within the prescribed timeframe, at least one year prior to the expiry of the existing Grant of Permission Agreement (GOPA).

2. However, it has been observed that some Stations are not adhering to the prescribed timelines while submitting their renewal applications, resulting in administrative delays and procedural complications.

3. In view of the above, all Community Radio Stations are hereby strictly directed to submit the GOPA renewal application well within the time limit along with the following requisite documents:-

- i. Duly signed and stamped GOPA documents in the correct format, on ₹100/- stamp papers each.
 - ii. Details of Governing Body members (in the prescribed format) along with a self-declaration for obtaining Security Clearance from MHA.
 - iii. Bank Guarantee of ₹25,000/-, co-terminus with the period of permission.
 - iv. A copy of the latest Wireless Operating License (WOL) obtained from WPC Wing.
 - v. Recording of programmes broadcast during the previous 3 months.
4. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.


16/02/2026

(Mahendra Kumar Meena)

Under secretary to the Government of India

To

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