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Government of India
Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
Digital Media Division

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

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To,

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Subject: Registration of Journalist and Media Association Grievances Council- (JMAGC) as self-regulatory body under Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021- regarding

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to communication dated 27 July, 2022 from 'The Journalist and Media Association (JMA)' on the above mentioned subject, and to convey the approval of the competent authority in the Ministry for registration of **Journalist and Media Association Grievances Council (JMAGC)** as the Level II Self Regulatory Body for publishers of news and current affairs content as per rule 12 of the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021.

2. It is hereby informed that Journalist and Media Association Grievances Council has been registered as the self-regulatory body with the member publishers as per the list enclosed at the **Annexure**.

3. As informed, the composition 'Journalist and Media Association Grievances Council (JMAGC)' on the date of registration is as under:

- Hon'ble Justice Vassan (Former District Court Judge, Kerala)- Chairperson
- Shri Suresh Damodaran (Senior Journalist)- Member
- Ms. Lekshmi V S (Advocate at Kerala High Court)- Member
- Shri Vysakh Suresh- President, Journalist & Media Association (JMA) – Member

- Shri Pradeep Karalam- General Secretary, Journalist & Media Association (JMA) – Member

4. The Journalist and Media Association Grievances Council shall perform functions laid down in the sub rules (4) and (5) of rule 12 for the purpose of redressing grievances related to Code of Ethics under the Rules. The body shall also ensure that the member publishers have agreed to adhere to the provisions of the Rules, including furnishing the requisite information under rule 18 of the Rules.

5. Any change in the composition of the body and/or the membership of the publishers shall be informed to the Ministry as soon as such change takes place.

6. This issues with the approval of the competent authority in the Ministry.

Encl: as above

Yours faithfully,



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