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Government of India
Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110001

Dated 27 October, 2025

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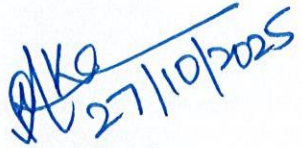
1. Publishers of online curated content
2. Self regulatory bodies of publishers of online curated content

Subject: Advisory for Publishers of Online Curated Content-regarding

The Ministry, vide communication No. A-50013/123/2021-DM dated 22nd October, 2021 (copy enclosed), requested the self-regulatory bodies of publishers of online curated content (OTT Platforms) to advise the OTT platforms associated with them to exercise due caution and discretion in relation to content which:- (i) affects the sovereignty and integrity of India; or (ii) threatens, endangers or jeopardises the security of the State; or (iii) is detrimental to India's friendly relations with foreign countries; or (iv) is likely to incite violence or disturb the maintenance of public order.

2. The Ministry would like to reiterate the above Advisory and inform the publishers of online curated content to take note of the same before publication/transmission of any film or web series, including biopics and documentaries on gangsters and criminals.

Encl.: As above.


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1. Self Regulatory Bodies of Publishers of Online Curated Content
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Subject: Guidance from Self Regulatory Bodies to the Publishers of Online Curated Content

Attention is invited to the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021, notified by the Government of India on 25th February, 2021.

2. In this regard, it is requested that the self-regulatory bodies of publishers of online curated content may advise the OTT platforms and the publishers associated with them for exercising due caution and discretion in relation to content, specially content which originates from foreign countries, which:

- i. affects the sovereignty and integrity of India; or
- ii. threatens, endangers or jeopardises the security of the State; or
- iii. is detrimental to India's friendly relations with foreign countries; or
- iv. is likely to incite violence or disturb the maintenance of public order.

3. The publishers of online curated content may take note of the above for appropriate action.


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3. All Publishers of Online Curated Content