No.N-13011/09/2018-BC.III GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING 'A' WING, SHASTRI BHAWAN, NEW DELHI – 110 001

Dated the 3rd August, 2018

To

All private satellite TV Channels

Subject:

Compliance with directions given in the Order dated 2.8.2018 passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matters of Miscellaneous Application No.2069 of 2018 in WP (C) No. 473 of 2005 filed by Sampurna Behura Vs UOI & Ors. in the issue of recent alleged rape and abuse of children in the Government funded Children's Home run by the NGO called Sewa Sankalp Evam Vikas Samiti. – reg.

Sir/Madam,

Reference is invited to Order dated 2.8.2018 passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matters of Miscellaneous Application No.2069 of 2018 in WP (C) No. 473 of 2005 filed by Sampurna Behura Vs UOI & Ors. on the above subject. In this regard, the relevant extract of the Order pertaining to Electronic Media is given below:

"In the interest of the minor girls, we restrain the Electronic Media from telecasting or broadcasting the images of the girl even in a morphed or blurred form. We request the media not to interview the minor girls. This request is being made in the interest of minor girls. News of the events may, of course, be disseminated but the interests of the minor girls should be kept in mind."

2. Accordingly, all private satellite TV channels are requested to ensure strict compliance with the aforesaid order passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

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