No. DM/34/2021-DM-(6) Government of India Ministry of Information & Broadcasting Digital Media Division

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Date: 21 April, 2022

To,

Ms. Dhanya Rajendran, Chairperson, DIGIPUB News India Foundation E-mail: membership@digipubindia.in

Subject: Registration of DIGIPUB News India Foundation as self-regulatory body under Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code), 2021

Sir/Madam,

The undersigned is directed to refer to communication dated from **DIGIPUB News India Foundation** on the above mentioned subject and to convey the approval of the competent authority in the Ministry for registration of "DIGIPUB News India Foundation" 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 DIGIPUB News India Foundation 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 of the "DIGIPUB News India Foundation" as the self-regulatory body on the date of registration is as under:
 - Former Supreme Court Judge Justice Madan Lokur Chairperson
 - Ms. Swarna Rajagopalan, Founder and Director of Prajnya Trust-Member
 - Bezwada Wilson, National Convenor, Safai Karamchari Andolan -Member
- 4. The DIGIPUB News India Foundation 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 agree 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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