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## FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION

Subject: Nodal Officers for blocking of content under Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021 – reg.

Attention is invited to Part III of the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021 under the Information Technology Act, 2000 pertaining to publishers of news and current affairs content and publishers of online curated content (OTT platforms) on digital media.

- 2. The Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021 inter-alia enable the Central Government to issue directions for blocking of content in respect of grounds referred to under section 69A of the Information Technology Act, 2000.
- 3. In this regard, it is hereby informed that an institutional mechanism of Nodal Officers has been established in the various Ministries/Departments and organizations of the Union Government, and the State/UT Governments for sending requests for blocking of content to the Ministry. Any person may send their complaint under section 69A of the Information Technology Act, 2000 regarding blocking of content published by a digital news publisher or an OTT platform to the concerned Nodal Officer(s). The list of Nodal Officers, alongwith their contact details, is attached for public information.
- 4. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Encl: as above

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- i. Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India.
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