GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA INFORMATION & PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

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## **NOTIFICATION**

# Dated Shillong, the 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2016.

**No.IPR.54/92/Pt./312**: The Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to constitute the State Monitoring Committees at the State Level and District Monitoring Committees at the District Level to enforce the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995.

These Committees are required to perform the role of monitoring the content being shown on TV channels at the local level.

#### STATE MONITORING COMMITTEE

1. Commissioner & Secretary, Information & Public Relations	-	Chairman
2. Commissioner of Police/DG of Police	-	Member
3. Secretary, Social Welfare Department	-	Member
4. Station Director, Doordarshan Kendra, Shillong	-	Member
5. Station Director, All India Radio, Shillong	-	Member
6. Representative of a leading NGO (to be nominated by the		Member
Chief Secretary)		
7. Academicians/Psychologists/Sociologists (one each to be	-	Member
nominated by the Chief Secretary)		
8. Director of Information & Public Relations	-	Member Secy.

#### Terms & Conditions of State Monitoring Committee:

- 1. The members shall have a term of two years and shall not be eligible for renomination.
- 2. The Committee shall meet at least once a year and submit a detailed Annual Report to the Secretary, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Govt. of India before 31<sup>st</sup> December each year.

## Functions of the State Monitoring Committee:

- 1. To see that the District/Local Committees have been formed.
- 2. To see that the Committee meetings are held regularly.
- 3. To oversee that the authorized officers are effectively performing their duties.
- 4. To review cases if any, on malpractices by Cable Operators and undesirable content being shown at the State and local level by the cable operators and the manner these cases are handled and decisions to be taken thereafter.
- 5. To provide suggestion/guidance to District Level Committees.
- 6. To review and accept decisions on the matters referred to District Level Committees.
- 7. To collate date/information from District Level Committee and forward it to Secretary, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Govt. of India.
- 8. To recommend action and forward complaints against satellite channels (National Channels) to the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting through the Chief Secretary of the State in cases of violation of Government of India's orders on the Programme and Advertising Codes.

## DISTRICT MONITORING COMMITTEE

1. Deputy Commissioner of concerned District	-	Chairman
2. District, Superintendent of Police	-	Member
3. District Public Relations Officer of concerned District	-	Member
4. Station Director or Representative, Doordarshan Kendra	-	Member
5. Station Director/Assistant Station Director, All India Radio	-	Member
6. Representative of Leading NGO (to be nominated by the	-	Member
Deputy Commissioner)		1
7. Academicians/Psychologists/Sociologists (to be nominated by	-	Member
the Deputy Commissioner)		
8. Assistant Director of Information & Public Relations/District	=	Member Secy.

#### Functions of the District Monitoring Committee:

Public Relations Officer of concerned District.

- 1. To provide a forum where the public may lodge a complaint regarding content aired over cable television and take action on the same as per procedure prescribed herein.
- 2. To review the action taken by Authorized Officers for enforcement to Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995.
- 3. To immediately bring to the notice of State and Central Government if any programme is affecting public order or wide spread resentment in any community.
- 4. To keep a watch on content carried by cable television channels at local level and to ensure, through Authorized Officers, that no unauthorized or pirated channels are carried and local news if aired by the cable television operator is restricted to information about local events and is presented in a manner which is balanced impartial and not likely to offend or incite any community.
- 5. To monitor the availability of free to air channels and channels notified for mandatory carriage on the cable network.

The State & District Level Monitoring Committees may invite/co-opt any member/organization as they deem so.

Sd/-(M.H.K. Marak) Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Information and Public Relations Department.

# Memo No.IPR.54/92/Pt./312-A,

# Dated Shillong, the 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2016.

- Copy to:-
- 1. P.S. to the Minister, Information & Public Relations Department for kind information of the Minister.
- 2. The Director of Printing & Stationery, Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of publication in the Meghalaya Gazette.
- 3. The Director of Information & Public Relations, Meghalaya, Shillong for information and necessary action.

4. All members concerned.

By Order etc.,

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Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, L Information & Public Relations Department.