GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3474 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07/12/2016

RULES FOR T.V. CHANNELS

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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

be pleased to state:

- (a) the TV channel-wise details of complaints received by the Government regarding telecasting of a particular incident in undesired and exorbitant manner repeatedly;
- (b) the details thereof during the last five years; and
- (c) the details of the action taken by the Government thereon?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING [COL RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE (Retd.)]

(a) to (c): Ministry administers the Cable Television Act to regulate Cable TV Network including TV channels and has constituted a composite Inter Ministerial Committee (IMC) under the chairmanship of the Addl. Secretary (I&B) and comprising officers drawn from Ministries of Home Affairs, Law & Justice, Women and Child Development, Health & Family Welfare, External Affairs, Defence, Consumer Affairs and a representative from the industry in Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI), to take cognizance *sou-motu* or look into specific complaints regarding violation of the Programme Code and Advertising Code in respect of content carried by private TV channels. The IMC functions in a recommendatory capacity. The final decision regarding penalties and its quantum is taken by the Ministry on the basis of the recommendations of IMC.

Appropriate action is taken by Ministry against TV channels whenever violation of the said codes is established by IMC.

The details of action taken against content telecast on private satellite TV channels in violation of the Programme and Advertising Codes during the last five years and the current year are enclosed at **Annexure**.

ANNEXURE AS REFERRED TO IN PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3474 FOR 7.12.2016

Action Taken by Ministry of Information and Broadcasting on violation of Programme and Advertisement code by Private TV channels during the last five years and current year

Year - 2011

SI. No.	Name of the Channel	Reason for Show Cause Notice	Details of action taken
1.	Imagine TV	Telecast of tele-serial 'Armaanon Ka Balidaan - Arakshan'	An Advisory dated 23.02.2011 was issued to the channel.
2	Star Plus	Telecast of tele-serial 'Tere Liye' containing vulgar and derogatory remarks against a community	A Warning dated 28.02.2011 was issued to the channel.
3	Sony TV	Telecast of tele-serial 'Maan Rahe Tera Pittah' containing content towards persons with disabilities.	An Advisory dated 20.04.2011 was issued to the channel.
4	Sahara One	Telecast of tele-serial 'Shorr Goongi Kankoo Ki Bolti Kahani' containing content towards persons with disabilities	An Advisory dated 20.04.2011 was issued to the channel.
5	Sony TV	Telecast of reality show 'Comedy Circus Mahasangram' showing indecent and child denigrating content.	An Advisory dated 25.07.2011 issued to the channel
6	Channel [V]	Telecast of reality show 'Full Toss Vella Boys' showing obscene and indecent content.	A Warning dated 25.07.2011 was issued to the channel
7	Zee Telugu	Telecast of reality show 'Konda Veeti Raja and Kotalo Rani' showing content insulting Adivasis and their culture	An Advisory dated 25.07.2011 was issued to the channel
8	Bindass	Telecast of the programme 'Emotional Atyachar - Season 2' containing obscene visuals and indecent and vulgar language.	An Order dated 26.07.2011 issued to the channel directing them to run apology scroll for 7 days.
9	Bindass	Telecast of indecent Reality Show titled 'Love Lock UP'	A Warning dated 28.07.2011 was issued to the channel
10	Bindass	Telecast of programme "Dadagiri- Revenge of the Sexes" showing indecent content.	A Warning dated 03.08.2011 was issued to the channel.
11	TLC	Telecast of different programmes such as 'Get Out', "Bridget's Sexiest Beaches" etc. showing obscene content.	An Advisory dated 9.8.2011 was issued to the channel
12	Colors	Telecast of programe "Rishton Se Badi Pratha" showing excessive violence and cruelty.	A Warning dated 12.08.2011 was issued to the channel
13	People TV	Telecast of programme 'Aazhcha Kazhcha' showing obscene content	A Warning dated 19.08.2011 was issued to the channel
14	Bindass	Telecast of progarmme 'Meri Toh Lag Gayi Naukari' showing vulgar, obscene and indecent. Content	A Warning dated 20.9.2011 was issued to the channel
15	India TV	Telecast of programme 'TV Par Sakshat Laxmi' showing superstition and blind belief	An Advisory dated 23.9.2011 was issued to the channel

16	News 9	Telecast of progarmme 'Sheyla's Size Problems' showing vulgar, obscene and indecent and women denigrating content.	An Order dated 23.9.2011 issued to the channel to run apology scroll on the channel.
17	Sahara Samay Channel	Telecast of a news item which contained obscene visuals	A letter dated 21.11.2011 was issued to the channel to run apology scroll on the channel.
19	P7	Telecast of a news item which contained obscene visuals	A letter dated 21.11.2011 was issued to the channel to run apology scroll on the channel.
20	Star World	Telecast of programmes 'Dexter', 'the Bold and the Beautiful', 'Las Vegas', 'Two and a half man' and 'How I met Your Mother' showing obscene visuals	An Advisory dated 14.12.2011 was issued to the channel

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21	SS TV	Telecast of programme titled 'Sizzling Hits' showing obscene and vulgar content	An Order 08.02.2012 was issued to the channel prohibiting the transmission of the channel for seven days.
22	All channels	News programmes on movement of troops	An Advisory dated 11.04.2012 issued to all channels, NBA, IBF, NBSA & BCCC.
23	FX channel	Telecast of programme 'Harper's Island', 'Crash', 'Mad Men Sutra', 'Frasier', 'Saving Grace' and 'Scoundrels' showing obscene visuals	A Warning dated 18.04.2012 was issued to the channel.
24	Sony TV	Telecast of Hindi feature film 'The Dirty Picture' during day-time	A letter dated 20.04.2012 was issued to the channel directing it not to air the Hindi feature film 'The Dirty Picture' during day time.
25	Sony TV	Telecast of Hindi feature film 'The Dirty Picture' in view of Order of Allahabad High Court.	A letter dated 21.04.2012 was issued to the channel directing it not to air the Hindi feature film 'The Dirty Picture' during day time.
26	Fox Crime	Telecast of programmes 'Sleeper Cell' and '1000 ways to die' showing obscene visuals.	A Warning dated 08.05.2012 was issued to the channel.
27	Sony Pix	Telecast of some English feature films, containing content offending good taste and decency.	A Warning dated 16.05.2012 was issued to the channel.
28	Channel [V]	Telecast of programme 'Love Net 2' containing indecent, vulgar and obscene content	A Warning dated 28.05.2012 was issued to the channel.
29	News Live	Telecast of a news item defaming an individual.	A Warning dated 28.05.2012 was issued to the channel.
30	All News & Current Affairs channels	Reference dated 13.07.12 from NCPCR for issue of directive w.r.t. protection of Identity of Children in need of care and Protection and Juveniles in conflict with law.	A Directive dated 08.08.2012 was issued to the all News & Current Affairs channels.
31	ET Now	Telecast of a programme "Brand Equity" showing direct promotion of " Kingfisher Beer"	A warning dated 12.09.2012 was issued to the channel.

32	Star Cricket	Telecast of advertisement of "VB Best Coke Beer" during the telecast of 'Australia Vs. New Zeeland Test Series on 4.12.2011	
33	All News & Current Affairs channels	Telecast of programmes as news items showing clippings from films not certified for unrestricted public exhibition	
34	Zee Trendz	Telecast of programme 'Bikini Destination' containing obscene, indecent and vulgar visuals	An Advisory dated 05.11.2012 was issued to the channel.

<u>Year – 2013</u>

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35	Enterr 10	Telecast of Hindi feature film 'Musafir', 'Plan' and 'Ashiq Banaya Apnne'-'A' certified films.	Order dated 08.01.2013 was issued to the channel prohibiting the transmission of the channel for one day .
36	Zing	Telecast of Hindi feature film "Hawas" - 'A' certified film.	Order dated 08.01.2013 was issued to the channel prohibiting the transmission of the channel for one day .
37	Manoranjan TV	Telecast of Hindi feature film "Topless" - "A' certified film.	Order dated 08.01.2013 was issued to the channel prohibiting the transmission of the channel for one day.
38	SS TV	Telecast of Trailer of the film "Friends with Benefits" which was not certified by CBFC for telecast on TV channels.	Order dated 08.01.2013 was issued to the channel prohibiting the transmission of the channel for one day.
39	FTV	Telecast of an advertisement of Vodka on 2.3.2011 in a programme Fashion TV Launch Party	An Advisory dated 17.01.2013 was issued to the channel.
40	Sadhna TV	Telecast of programme " Adhyatamik Gyan Charcha" showing content contemptuous of religious groups, defamatory and content likely to encourage violence	A Warning dated 06.03.2013 was issued to the channel.
41	Comedy Central	Telecast of Programme "The Wonder Years" showing content against good tests and decency and child denigrating	An Advisory dated 28.03.2012 was issued to the channel.
42	FTV	Telecast of programme "Desigers in High Definition" on 11.9.11, "Chantellie Lingrie, Paris" on 12.09.11 & "Lingerie" on 15.09.11 and "15th Anniversary-Top Designers" showing obscene and women denigrating content	An Order dated 28.03.2013 was issued to the channel prohibiting the transmission of the channel for 10 days
43	NDTV Good Times	Telecast of programme "Life a Beach" during April, May ,2011 showing obscene and women denigrating content	An Advisory dated 02.04.2013 was issued to the channel.
45	Mahuaa	Telecast of Hindi feature film 'Aulaad' and 'Ek Aur Kurukshetra' - 'A' certified films.	An order dated 25.04.2013 was issued to the channel prohibiting the transmission of the channel for one day.
46	AXN	Telecast of Hindi feature film 'Darkness Falls' - 'A' certified film.	An order dated 25.04.2013 was issued to the channel prohibiting the transmission of the channel for one day.

47	Movies Ok	Telecast of Hindi feature film 'Dil Jale' - 'A' certified film.	An order dated 01.05.2013 was issued to the channel prohibiting the transmission of the channel for one day.
48	Comedy Central	Telecast of programme "Stand Up Club" and "Popcorn".	An order was issued on 17.05.2013 prohibiting the transmission of the channel for 10 days
49	IBN 7	Telecast of the Advertisement of "Axe Shower Gel" containing vulgar and indecent content.	Order dated 29.05.2013 was issued directing the channel to furnish an undertaking regarding not airing such ads in future.
50	Sandesh News	Telecast of programme "Aaj No Mahima, Desh Ni Gruh Dasha" showing superstition and blind relief	An Advisory issued on 07.06.2013 to all TV channels including this channel.
51	MTV	Telecast of the advertisement of "Axe Shower Gel" containing vulgar and indecent content.	Order dated 17.06.2013 was issued directing the channel to furnish an undertaking regarding not airing such ads in future.
52	VH1	Telecast of advertisement of "Axe Shower Gel" showing obscene and women denigrating content	Order dated 17.06.2013 was issued directing the channel to furnish an undertaking regarding not airing such ads in future.
53	Colors	Telecast of advertisement of "Axe Shower Gel" showing obscene and women denigrating content	Order dated 17.06.2013 was issued directing the channel to furnish an undertaking regarding not airing such ads in future.
54	News Time Assam	Telecast of programme revealing the identity of children caught inhaling drugs.	An order dated 05.09.2013 was issued to run apology scroll for two days.
55	N TV	Telecast of News report showing contents offending good taste and decency and women denigrating	An order dated 18.09.13 issued to the channel to run the apology scroll for three days.
56	Zoom TV	Telecast of Film "Teesri Aankh - 'A' certified film.	An order dated 01.10.2013 was issued to prohibit the transmission or retransmission for one day
57	ABN Andhra Jyoti	Telecast of a song based programme on "Ide Mallea Velavani" containing obscene and women denigrating content	An order dated 01.10.2013 was issued to the channel to prohibit the transmission or re-transmission for seven days.
58	Manoranjan TV	Telecast of 'A' Certified Hindi feature film "Ek Chatur Nar"	order was issued on 17.05.2013 to prohibit the transmission or retransmission of channel for seven days
59	BIG CBS LOVE	Telecast of programme "Excused" containing women denigrating content	An order was issued on 15.10.2013 to the channel to prohibit the transmission or re-transmission of channel for one day.
60	UTV Bindass	Telecast of a programme "Emotional Atyachaar Season 3" containing obscene content	An order dated 06.11.2013 was issued to prohibit the transmission or retransmission for three days
61	Khoj India	Telecast of news report revealing the identity of mentally challenged rape victim and her child	A warning dated 23.12.2013 was issued to channel
62	Manoranjan TV	Telecast of various films without showing CBFC certificates	A warning dated 26.12.2013 was issued to the channel
63	News X	Channel had carried a news scroll on the health of Hon'ble President of India on June 23, 2012	An Advisory dated 26.12.2013 was issued to channel.

<u>Year – 2014</u>

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64	WB	Telecast of a "V/UA" certified film "It's a Boy Girl Thing" showing obscene and women denigrating content	Order dated 16.01.2014 was issued for taking the channel off air for one day.
65	Lemon News	Telecast a news report, revealing the identity of the sexually abused women	A warning dated 10.03.2014 was issued to channel
66	Bansal News	Telecast a programme 'Ladkiyon Ka Gumnaam Bodyguard promoting superstition and blind belief	A warning dated 11.03.2014 was issued to channel
67	NE TV	Telecast of news bulletins showing the dead bodies and badly injured people without morphing or blurring	A warning dated 12.03.2014 was issued to channel
68	Zee TV	Telecast of a serial 'Jodha Akbar" containing content promoting communal attitudes, encouraging violence and also defamatory content	A warning dated 20.03.2014 was issued to the channel
69	India News	Telecast of programme 'Rahasya" promoting superstition and blind belief	A warning dated 25.03.2014 was issued to channel
70	Color	Telecast of a reality show Bigg Boss Season-7	An Advisory dated 26.03.2014 was issued to channel
71	Amrita TV	Telecast of 'A' Certified film, 'The Don'	A warning dated 27.03.2014 was issued to channel
72	DY 365	Telecast disturbing of Dead Bodies Without making them blurs.	A warning dated 07.05.2014 was issued to the channel
73	Sony TV	Telecast of objectionable Comedy Show 'Kahani Comedy Circus Ki'.	A Directive dated 20.05.2014 issued to Sony TV for compliance directions of the Court of the Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities as also the provisions contained in the programme and advertisement codes.
74	All TV Channel	Telecast of Advertisement on "Zaitoon Tara Edible Oil" The advertisement claims that edible oil prevents cancer.	A Advisory dated 26.06.2014 was issued to All TV Channels.
75	All TV Channel	Telecast objectionable advertisements which is upheld by CCC.	An Advisory dated 21/08/2014 was issued to all channel
76	Vasanth TV	Telecast a programme called 'Vaimaye Vellum' revealed the identity of sexually abused minor children	A warning dated 27.08.2014 was issued to the channel
77	News Live TV	Telecast of news bulletins showing the dead bodies and badly injured people without morphing or blurring	A warning dated 01.09.2014 was issued to the channel
78	TV-5 TV	Telecast of news report showing young girl stabbing visuals without morphed nor blurred.	A warning dated 02.09.2014 was issued to the channel
79	Kalaignar TV	Telecast of news report showing the dead bodies and badly injured people without morphing or blurring	A warning dated 02.09.2014 was issued to the channel
80	Naxatra News	Telecast of allegedly defamatory/fabricated Programme.	An order dated 05.09.2014 was issued to the channel to carry version of opposite party.

81	Headlines Today		A warning dated 31.10.2014 was issued to the channel
82	Sudarshan TV	Telecast of programme called "Siyaasi Dango Mai UP".	A warning dated 31.10.2014 was issued to the channel

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83	Colors TV	Telecast of programme namely " Fear Factor Khatron Ke Khiladi-Darr Ka Blockbuster"	A order dated 08.01.2015 was issued to the channel thereby warning the channel and directing it to run an apology scroll for on day
84	Lemon News	Telecast of programme namely "Khauf Ke 10 Destination"	A warning dated 19.01.2015 was issued to the channel
85	NTV	Telecast a song-based programme 'Cine Colors'	An order dated 19.01.2015 was issued to the channel for taking the channel off air for seven day.
86	24 Ghanta TV	Telecast of news report showing death of a young man without morphing or blurring	An Warning dated 23.03.2015 was issued to channel
87	NTV	Telecast of news report revealed the identity of sexual harassment minor boy	An Warning dated 23.03.2015 was issued to channel
88	Satlon News	Telecast of News report about a private corporate party organised in a five star hotel on the Pune-Mumbai highway	An order was issued on 27.03.2015 to the channel to prohibit the transmission or re-transmission of channel for 30 day.
89	TV9	Telecast a 'Bullet News' political satire targeting Chief Minister of Telangana.	An order was issued on 27.03.2015 to the channel for running apology scroll.
90	Jai Hind	Telecast of 'A; certified film, titled 'Hai Harithe'	An order was issued on 07.04.2015 to the channel to prohibit the transmission or re-transmission of channel for one day.
91	Aljazeera TV	Telecast of News report carried wrong graphical map of India repeatedly.	An order was issued on 10.04.2015 to the channel to prohibit the transmission or re-transmission of channel for 5 day.
92	Sathiyam TV	Telecast of objectionable programme 'Ungal Aseervatha Seram' and Paarthathum Padithathum by Sathiyam TV	A warning dated 12.05.2015 was issued to the channel
93	Sudarshan News	Telecast of a programme called BINDAAS BOL making allegation about non-salutation of National Flag on the Republic Day by the Hon'ble Vice President.	
94	Raj News	Telecast of disturbing visuals of dead bodies without blurring.	A warning dated 22.06.2015 was issued to the channel
95	Raj News	Telecast of disturbing visuals of a women body burning up into flames without blurring.	A warning dated 02.07.2015 was issued to the channel.
96	Russia Today TV	Telecast of obscene programme 'Crazy Alert'	An Advisory dated 06.07.2015 was issued the channel.
97	Channel 2 News	Telecast of disturbing visuals of a man dead body without blurring.	A warning dated 22.07.2015 was issued to the channel.

98	A2Z News TV	The Channel telecast news reports on various date and revealed the identity of Sexual assault minor victims	A warning dated 07.08.2015 was issued to the channel.
99	DY 365	Telecast of News story defame the image of MLA and denigrating women.	A order dated 07.08.2015 was issued to the channel thereby warning the channel and directing it to run an apology scroll for one day

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100	Care World	Telecast of a programme "Kya Karun Main AB?" on unnatural sex.	A warning dated 24.05.2016 was issued to the channel.
101	FTV	Telecast of a programme namely fotos in alleged violation of the programme code	An Advisory dated 25.05.2016 issued to the channel
102	Raj News	Telecast of News bulletins in alleged violation of the Programme code	An Advisory dated 25.05.2016 issued to the channel
103	CVR English News Channel	Telecast of News bulletins showing disturbing visuals of dead bodies	An Advisory dated 25.05.2016 issued to the channel
104	Sathiyam TV	Telecast of News bulletins in alleged violation of the Programme code	An Advisory dated 31.05.2016 issued to the channel
105	NDTV India TV	Telecast of a prgramme based on hanging of a 1993 Mumbai serial blast-case convict Yakub Memon	An Advisory dated 01.06.2016 issued to the channel
106	NDTV 24x7	Telecast of a programme 'Truth vs Hype -the Riddle of Yakub Memon'	An Advisory dated 01.06.2016 issued to the channel
107	Oscar Movies	Telecast of 'A' certified films on various dates.	An Advisory dated 06.06.2016 issued to the channel
108	Aaj Tak	Telecast of a prgramme based on hanging of a 1993 Mumbai serial blast-case convict Yakub Memon	An Advisory dated 07.06.2016 issued to the channel
109	ABP News	Telecast of a prgramme based on hanging of a 1993 Mumbai serial blast-case convict Yakub Memon	An Advisory dated 07.06.2016 issued to the channel
110	NDTV INDIA	Telecast of news report on Pathankot terrorist attack	An order was issued on 02.11.2016 to the channel to prohibit the transmission or re-transmission of channel for one day
111	Care World	Telecast of obscene programme 'Kya Karu Mai Aab	An order was issued on 02.11.2016 to the channel to prohibit the transmission or re-transmission of channel for seven day
112	News Time Assam	Telecast of news report revealing the identity of minor boy	An order dated 2.11.2016 was issued to the channel to prohibit the transmission or re-transmission of
	News Time Assam	Telecast of News bulletins showing disturbing visuals of dead bodies	channel for one day in respect of each case which could be carried out concurrently.
	News Time Assam	Telecast of News story defaming the image of MLA and denigrating women.	
