GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1012 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2020

MEDIA HOUSES

1012. SHRIMATI MAHUA MOITRA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

The number and names of all news channels, newspapers, radio outlets and other media houses providing news and permitted to operate in India along with their ultimate beneficiary ownership details including shareholdings and intermediaries?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE; MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING; AND MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

As on 31.1.2020, there are 386 Private Satellite News Channels permitted by Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. Details of all the permitted news channels are available on http://broadcastseva.gov.in/webpage-User-tvchannels.

As per the record of Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI), 1,44,893 newspapers/periodicals have been registered as on 20.1.2020. Updated list of registered newspapers is available on the website of RNI i.e. www.rni.nic.in.

Under the FM Radio Phase III policy guidelines, Private FM Radios are permitted to carry the news bulletins of All India Radio.

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