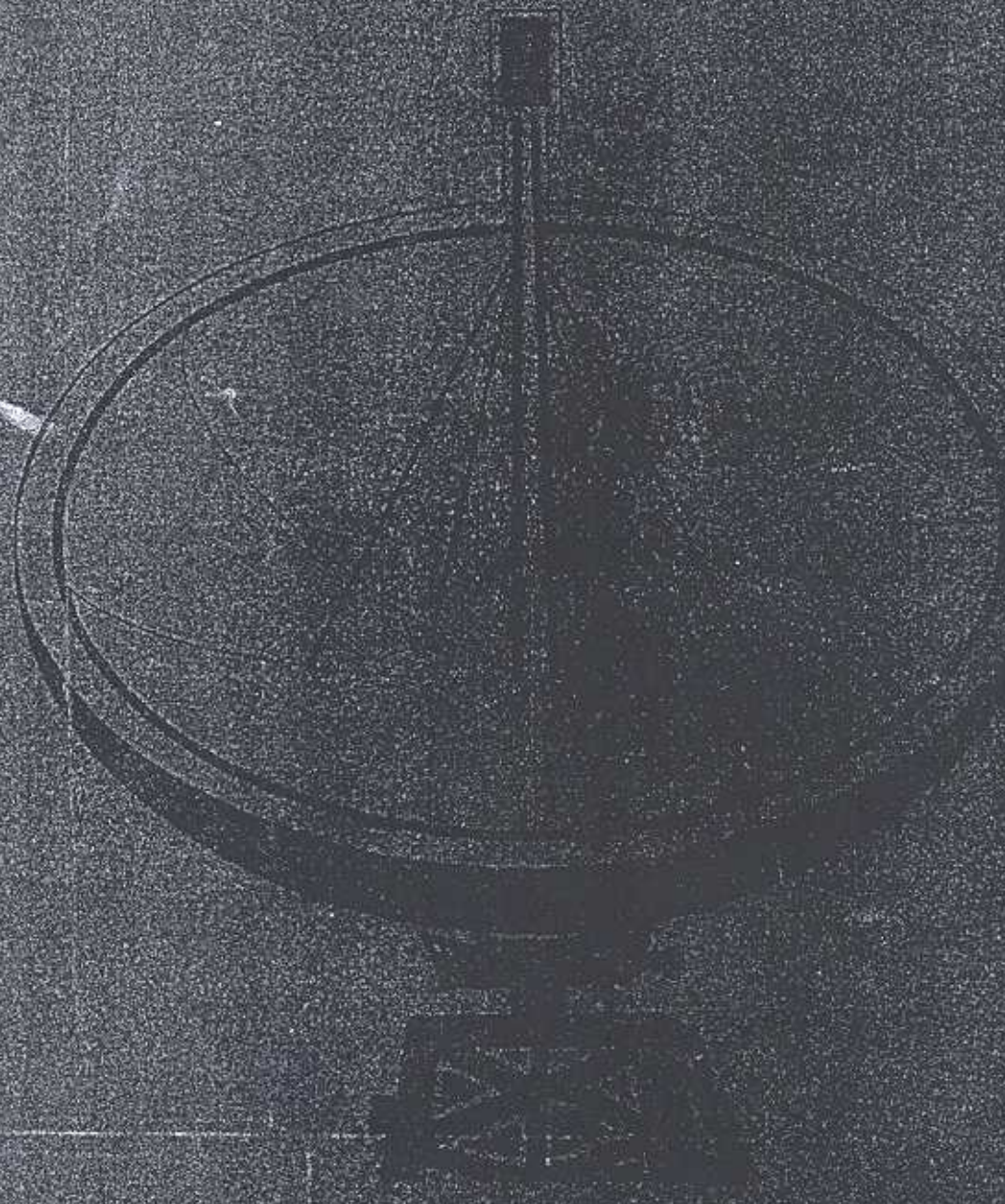


THE
CABLE TELEVISION
NETWORKS
(Regulation) Act, 1995



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ACT, 1995¹**

No.7 of 1995

(25th March, 1995)

An Act to regulate the operation of cable television networks in the country and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto .

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Forty-sixth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

**CHAPTER 1
PRELIMINARY**

1. (1) This Act may be called the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995.

Short Title
extent and
commence-
ment

(2) It extends to the whole of India

(3) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 29th day of September, 1994.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires-

²(a) "authorised officer" means, within his local limits of jurisdiction;-

Definitions

(i) a District Magistrate, or

(ii) a Sub-divisional Magistrate, or

(iii) a Commissioner of Police,

1. as amended by Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 2000 (36 of 2000)

2. inserted vide Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Amendment Act, 2000 (36 of 2000)

and includes any other officer notified in the Official Gazette, by the Central Government or the State Government, to be an authorised officer for such local limits of jurisdiction as may be determined by that Government;

- ¹ (aa) "cable operator" means any person who provides cable service through a cable television network or otherwise controls or is responsible for the management and operation of a cable television network;
- (b) "cable service" means the transmission by cables of programmes including re-transmission by cables of any broadcast television signals;
- (c) "cable television network" means any system consisting of a set of closed transmission paths and associated signal generation, control and distribution equipment, designed to provide cable service for reception by multiple subscribers;
- (d) "company" means a company as defined in section 3 of the companies Act, 1956; 1 of 1956
- (e) "person" means -
 - i) an individual who is a citizen of India;
 - ii) an association of individuals or body of individuals, whether incorporated or not, whose members are citizens of India;
 - iii) a company in which not less than fifty-one per cent of the paid-up share capital is held by the citizens of India;
- (f) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules made under this Act;

1. Renumbered vide Cable Television Network (Regulation) Amendment Act, 2000 (36 of 2000)

(g) "programme" means any television broadcast and includes -

(i) exhibition of films, features, dramas, advertisements and serials through video cassette recorders or video cassette players;

(ii) any audio or visual or audio-visual live performance or presentation,

and the expression "programming service" shall be construed accordingly;

(h) "registering authority" means such authority as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, specify to perform the functions of the registering authority under this Act;

(i) "subscriber" means a person who receives the signals of cable television network at a place indicated by him to the cable operator, without further transmitting it to any other person.

CHAPTER II

REGULATION OF CABLE TELEVISION NETWORK

3. No person shall operate a cable television network unless he is registered as a cable operator under this Act:

Cable television network not to be operated except after registration

Provided that a person operating a cable television network, immediately before the commencement of this Act, may continue to do so for a period of ninety days from such commencement; and if he has made an application for registration as a cable operator under section 4 within the said period, till he is registered under that section or the registering authority refuses to grant registration to him under that section.

4. (1) Any person who is operating or is desirous of operating a cable television network may apply

Registration as cable operator.

for registration as cable operator to the registering authority.

2) An application under sub-section (1) shall be made in such form and be accompanied by such fee as may be prescribed.

3) On receipt of the application, the registering authority shall satisfy itself that the applicant has furnished all the required information and on being so satisfied, register the applicant as a cable operator and grant to him a certificate of such registration:

Provided that the registering authority may, for reasons to be recorded in writing and communicated to the applicant, refuse to grant registration to him if it is satisfied that he does not fulfil the conditions specified in clause (e) of section 2.

Programme
code

5. No person shall transmit or re-transmit through a cable service any programme unless such programme is in conformity with the prescribed programme code;

⁴[proviso omitted]

Advertis-
ment Code

6. No. person shall transmit or re-transmit through a cable service any advertisement unless such advertisement is in conformity with the prescribed advertisement code:

⁵[proviso omitted]

Maintenance
of register

7. Every cable operator shall maintain a register in the prescribed form indicating therein in brief the programmes transmitted or re-transmitted through the cable service during a month and such register shall be maintained by the cable operator for a period of one year after the actual transmission or re-transmission of the said programmes.

⁴ & ⁵ omitted vide Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Amendment Act, 2000 (36 of 2000)

Compulsory
retransmission
of
Doordarshan
channels

8. (1) Every cable operator shall, from the commencement of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Amendment Act, 2000, re-transmit at least two Doordarshan terrestrial channels and one regional language channel of a State in the prime band, in satellite mode on frequencies other than those carrying terrestrial frequencies.

36 of 2000

(2) The Doordarshan channels referred to in sub-section (1) shall be re-transmitted without any deletion or alteration of any programme transmitted on such channels.

(3) The Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) established under sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Act, 1990 may, by notification in the Official Gazette, specify the number and name of every Doordarshan channel to be re-transmitted by cable operators in their cable service and the manner of reception and re-transmission of such channels.

25 of 1990

1986

9. No cable operator shall, on and from the date of the expiry of a period of three years from the date of the establishment and publication of the Indian Standard by the Bureau of Indian Standards in accordance with the provisions of the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986, use any equipment in his cable television network unless such equipment conforms to the said Indian Standard.

Use of standard equipment in cable television network

10. Every cable operator shall ensure that the cable television network being operated by him does not interfere, in any way, with the functioning of the authorised telecommunication systems.

Cable television network not to interfere with any telecommunication system

6. Substituted vide Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Amendment Act, 2000 (36 of 2000)

CHAPTER III

SEIZURE AND CONFISCATION OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT

11. ⁷(1) If any authorised officer has reason to believe that the provisions of sections 3, 5, 6 or 8 have been or are being contravened by any cable operator, he may seize the equipment being used by such cable operator for operating the cable television network.
- (2) No such equipment shall be retained by the authorised officer for a period exceeding ten days from the date of its seizure unless the approval of the District Judge, within the local limits of whose jurisdiction such seizure has been made, has been obtained for such retention.
12. The equipment seized under sub-section (1) of section 11 shall be liable to confiscation unless the cable operator from whom the equipment has been seized registers himself as a cable operator under section 4 within a period of thirty days from the date of seizure of the said equipment.
13. No seizure or confiscation of equipment referred to in section 11 or section 12 shall prevent the infliction of any punishment to which the person affected there by is liable under the provisions of this Act.
14. (1) No order adjudicating confiscation of the equipment referred to in section 12 shall be made unless the cable operator has been given a notice in writing, informing him of the grounds on which it is proposed to confiscate such equipment and giving him a reasonable opportunity of making a representation in writing, within such reasonable time

Power to seize equipment used for operating the cable television network

Confiscation

Seizure of confiscation of equipment not to interfere with other punishment

Giving of opportunity to the cable operator of seized equipment

⁷ substituted vide Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Amendment Act, 2000 (36 of 2000)

as may be specified in the notice against the confiscation and if he so desires of being heard in the matter :

Provided that where no such notice is given within a period of ten days from the date of the seizure of the equipment, such equipment shall be returned after the expiry of that period to the cable operator from whose possession it was seized.

- (2) Save as otherwise provided in sub-section (1), the provisions of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 shall, so far as may be, apply to every proceeding referred to in sub-section (1).

5 of 1908

15, (1) Any person aggrieved by any decision of the court adjudicating a confiscation of the equipment may prefer an appeal to the court to which an appeal lies from the decision of such Court.

- (2) The appellate court may, after giving the appellant an opportunity of being heard, pass such order as it thinks fit confirming, modifying or revising the decision appealed against or may send back the case with such directions as it may think fit for a fresh decision or adjudication, as the case may be, after taking additional evidence if necessary.

- (3) No further appeal shall lie against the order of the court made under sub-section (2).

CHAPTER IV

OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

16. Whoever contravenes any of the provisions of this Act shall be punishable, -

- a) for the first offence, with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years or with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees or with both;

Punishment for contravention of the provisions of this Act.

- b) for every subsequent offence, with imprisonment for a term which may extend to five years and with fine which may extend to five thousand rupees.

- 17 (1) Where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company, every person who, at the time the offence was committed, was in charge of, and was responsible to, the company for the conduct of the business of the company, as well as the company, shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly;

Offences by companies

Provided that nothing contained in this subsection shall render any such person liable to any punishment, if he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he had exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

- (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in subsection (1), where any offence under this Act has been committed by a company and it is proved that the offence has been committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any negligence on the part of, any director, manager, secretary or other officer of the company, such director, manager, secretary or other officer shall also be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

Explanation : For the purposes of this section,-

- (a) "company" means any body corporate and includes a firm or other association of individuals; and
(b) "director" in relation to a firm, means a partner in the firm.

Cognizance
offences

18. No court shall take cognizance of any offence punishable under this Act except upon a complaint in writing made ⁸“by any authorised officer”.

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CHAPTER V

MISCELLANEOUS

Power to
prohibit
transmission
of certain
programmes
in public
interest

19. Where ⁹“any authorised officer” thinks it necessary or expedient so to do in public interest, he may, by order, prohibit any cable operator from transmitting or re-transmitting any particular programme if it is likely to promote, on grounds of religion, race, language, caste or community or any other ground whatsoever, disharmony or feelings of enmity, hatred or ill-will between ¹⁰“different religious, racial, linguistic or regional groups or castes or communities or which is likely to disturb the public tranquillity.

Power to
prohibit
operation of
cable
television
network in
public
interest.

- 20 ¹⁰(1) Where the Central Government thinks it necessary or expedient so to do in public interest, it may prohibit the operation of any cable television network in such areas as it may, by notification in the Official Gazette, specify in this behalf.

- ¹¹(2) Where the Central Government thinks it necessary or expedient so to do in the interest of the-

- i) sovereignty or integrity of India; or
- ii) security of India; or
- iii) friendly relations of India with any foreign State; or

⁸ & ⁹ Substituted vide Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Amendment Act, 2000. (36 of 2000)

¹⁰ re-numbered vide Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Amendment Act, 2000.

¹¹ inserted vide Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Amendment Act, 2000. (36 of 2000)

iv) public order, decency or morality,

it may, by order, regulate or prohibit the transmission or re-transmission of any channel or programme.

- ¹²(3) Where the Central Government considers that any programme of any channel is not in conformity with the prescribed programme code referred to in section 5 or the prescribed advertisement code referred to in section 6, it may by order, regulate or prohibit the transmission or re-transmission of such programme.

Application
of other laws
not barred.

21. The provisions of this Act shall be in addition to, and not in derogation of, the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, the Pharmacy Act, 1948, the Emblems and Names (Prevention of Improper Use) Act, 1950, the Drugs (Control) Act, 1950, the Cinematograph Act, 1952, the Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisements) Act, 1954, the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954, the Prize Competitions Act, 1955, the Copyright Act, 1957, the Trade and Merchandise Marks Act, 1958, the Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986 and the Consumer Protection Act, 1986.

23 of 1940,
8 of 1948,
12 of 1950,
26 of 1950,
37 of 1952,
21 of 1954,
37 of 1954,
42 of 1955,
14 of 1957,
43 of 1958,
60 of 1986,
68 of 1986

Power to
make rules

22. (1) The Central Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, make rules to carry out the provisions of this Act.
- (2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:-
- a) the form of application and the fee payable under sub-section (2) of section 4;

¹² inserted vide Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Amendment Act, 2000 (36 of 2000)

- b) the programme code under section 5;
- c) the advertisement code under section 6;
- d) the form of register to be maintained by a cable operator under section 7;
- e) any other matter which is required to be, or may be, prescribed.

(3) Every rule made under this Act shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament, while it is in sessions, for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforesaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule or both Houses agree that the rule should not be made, the rule shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification of annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule.

Ord. 3 of
1995

23. (1) The Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Ordinance, 1995 is hereby repealed.
- (2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken under the said Ordinance, shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provision of this Act.

Repeal and
savings

CABLE TELEVISION NETWORKS RULES, 1994
(as amended upto 8th September, 2000)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

New Delhi, the 29th September, 1994

NOTIFICATION

G.S.R. 729 (E) In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 22 of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Ordinance, 1994 (Ordinance No.9 of 1994) the Central Government makes the following Rules namely:

1. Short title and commencement .- (1) These rules may be called the Cable Television Networks Rules, 1994.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Definitions – In these rules unless the context otherwise requires:-

(a) "cable operator" means any person who provides cable service through a cable television network or otherwise control or is responsible for the management and operation of a cable television network;

(b) "cable service" means the transmission by cables of programmes including re-transmission by cables of any broadcast television signals;

(c) "cable television network" means any system consisting of a set of closed transmission paths and associated signals generation, control and distribution equipment, designed to provide cable service for reception by multiple subscribers;

(d) "company" means a company defined in section 3 of the Companies Act, 1956;

(e) "form" means form appended to these rules;

(f) "person" means -

(i) an individual who is a citizen of India;

(ii) an association of individuals or body of individuals, whether incorporated or not, whose members are citizens of India;

(iii) a company in which not less fifty-one percent of the paid-up share capital is held by the citizens of India;

(g) "programme" means any television broadcast and includes;

(i) exhibition of films, features, dramas, advertisements and serials through video cassette recorders or video cassette players;

(ii) any audio or visual or audio-visual live performance or presentation; and the expression programming service shall be construed accordingly;

(h) "registering authority" means the registering authority notified under clause (h) of section 2 of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Ordinance 1994;

(i) "subscriber" means a person who receives the signal of cable television network at a place indicated by him to the cable operator, without further transmitting it to any other person.

3. Application for registration as a cable television network in India. - (1) Every application for registration as a cable television network in India shall be made in writing in Form 1 and shall be renewable after every twelve months.

(2) The application shall be addressed to the Registering Authority and delivered to his office in Form 1.

¹(3) (a) Every application for registration or renewal of registration shall be accompanied by -

(i) a fee of rupees five hundred only; and

(ii) the requisite documents mentioned in Form 1 and Form 2.

(b) Every application for issue of duplicate certificate of registration shall be accompanied by -

(i) a fee of rupees two hundred and fifty only; and

(ii) the requisite documents mentioned in Form 1.

²(4) The amount of fee shall be deposited in the Head Post Office where the application for registration or renewal of registration or issue of duplicate certificate of Registration is being made.

¹ Inserted by G.S.R. 459(E) dated 8.10.96.

² Inserted by G.S.R. 459(E) dated 8.10.96.

(5) The amount of the fees shall be deposited under the Head 'Un-Classified Receipts (U.C.R.)'.

4. Examination of Applications: (1) On receipt of an application under rule 3, the registering authority shall examine the application having regard to the provisions of section 4 of the Ordinance.

5. Registration:- (1) On being satisfied that the applicant fulfills the provisions of the Ordinance, the registering authority shall issue a registration certificate in Form 3.

Provided that where the registering authority is satisfied that the registration cannot be granted to the applicant, he shall inform the applicant in Form 4.

(2) On receipt of an application under clause (b) of sub-rule (3) of rule 3 for issue of duplicate certificate, the Registering Authority shall examine the application having regard to the provisions of rule 3 and shall issue a duplicate Registration Certificate in Form 3 A.

6. Programme Code. - (1) No programme should be carried in the cable service which:-

- (a) Offends against good taste or decency;
- (b) Contains criticism of friendly countries;
- (c) Contains attack on religions or communities or visuals or words contemptuous of religious groups or which promote communal attitudes;
- (d) Contains anything obscene, defamatory, deliberate, false and suggestive innuendos and half truths;
- (e) Is likely to encourage or incite violence or contains anything against maintenance of law and order or which promote anti-national attitudes;
- (f) Contains anything amounting to contempt of court;
- (g) Contains aspersions against the integrity of the President and Judiciary;
- (h) Contains anything affecting the integrity of the Nation;
- (i) Criticises, maligns or slanders any individual in person or certain groups, segments of social, public and moral life of the country ;
- (j) Encourages superstition or blind belief;
- (k) Denigrates women through the depiction in any manner of the figure of

¹ Inserted by G.S.R. 459(E) dated 8.10.96.

² Inserted by G.S.R. 459(E) dated 8.10.96.

a women, her form or body or any part thereof in such a way as to have the effect of being indecent, or derogatory to women, or is likely to deprave, corrupt or injure the public morality or morals;

(l) Denigrates children;

(m) Contains visuals or words which reflect a slandering, ironical and snobbish attitude in the portrayal of certain ethnic, linguistic and regional groups

(n) Contravenes the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1952.

(o) is not suitable for unrestricted public exhibition.

Explanation - For the purpose of this clause, the expression "unrestricted public exhibition" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in the Cinematograph Act, 1952 (37 of 1952);

(2) The cable operator should strive to carry programmes in his cable service which project women in a positive, leadership role of sobriety, moral and character building qualities.

(3) No cable operator shall carry or include in his cable service any programme in respect of which copyright subsists under the Copyright Act, 1972¹⁹⁵⁷ (14 of 1977) unless he has been granted a licence by owners of copyright under the Act in respect of such programme. *respect*

(4) Care should be taken to ensure that programmes meant for children do not contain any bad language or explicit scenes of violence.

(5) Programmes unsuitable for children must not be carried in the cable service at times when the largest numbers of children are viewing.

7. Advertising Code. - (1) Advertising carried in the cable service shall be so designed as to conform to the laws of the country and should not offend morality, decency and religious susceptibilities of the subscribers.

(2) No advertisement shall be permitted which-

(i) derides any race, caste, colour, creed and nationality;

(ii) is against any provision of the Constitution of India.

(iii) tends to incite people to crime, cause disorder or violence, or breach of law or glorifies violence or obscenity in any way ;

(iv) presents criminality as desirable;

¹ inserted vide GSR 710(E) dated 8.9.2000

² substituted vide GSR 710(E) dated 8.9.2000

(v) exploits the national emblem, or any part of the Constitution or the person or personality of a national leader or a State dignitary;

(vi) in its depiction of women violates the constitutional guarantees to all citizens. In particular, no advertisement shall be permitted which projects a derogatory image of women. Women must not be portrayed in a manner that emphasises passive, submissive qualities and encourages them to play a subordinate, secondary role in the family and society. The cable operator shall ensure that the portrayal of the female form, in the programmes carried in his cable service, is tasteful and aesthetic, and is within the well established norms of good taste and decency;

(vii) exploits social evils like dowry, child marriage.

⁷(viii) promotes directly or indirectly production, sale or consumption of-

(A) cigarettes, tobacco products, wine, alcohol, liquor or other intoxicants;

(B) infant milk substitutes, feeding bottle or infant food.

(3) No. advertisement shall be permitted, the objects whereof, are wholly or mainly of a religious or political nature; advertisements must not be directed towards any religious or political end.

⁸(3A) No advertisement shall contain references which hurt religious sentiments.

(4) The goods or services advertised shall not suffer from any defect or deficiency as mentioned in Consumer Protection Act, 1986.

(5) No. advertisement shall contain references which are likely to lead the public to infer that the product advertised or any of its ingredients has some special or miraculous or super-natural property or quality, which is difficult of being proved.

(6) The picture and the audible matter of the advertisement shall not be excessively 'loud';

(7) No advertisement which endangers the safety of children or creates in them any interest in unhealthy practices or shows them begging or in an undignified or indecent manner shall not be carried in the cable service.

⁷ inserted vide GSR 710(E) dated 8.9.2000

⁸ inserted vide GSR 710(E) dated 8.9.2000

(8) Indecent, vulgar, suggestive, repulsive or offensive themes or treatment shall be avoided in all advertisements.

(9) No advertisement which violates the standards of practice for advertising agencies as approved by the Advertising Agencies Association of India, Bombay, from time to time shall be carried in the cable service.

(10) All advertisement should be clearly distinguishable from the programme and should not in any manner interfere with the programme viz., use of lower part of screen to carry captions, static or moving alongside the programme.

8. Register.- Each cable operator shall maintain a register in Form 5 for each month of the year for which the registration is granted.

***FORM 1**

(See rule 3 (1))

(To be submitted in duplicate)

Form of application for *registration/renewal of registration/issue of duplicate certificate of registration as a cable operator.

To

The Head Postmaster
Head Post Office

Application for *registration/renewal of registration/issue of duplicate certificate of registration as a cable operator.

1. (a) Name of Applicant (individual/firm/company/association of person/body of individuals)*
- * (b) *Age/Date of establishment/Date of incorporation.
2. (a) Address (office)
- (b) Telephone number (if any)
3. (a) Nationality (for individual applicants/body of individuals)
- (b) By birth/domicile.
4. (a) Amount of fee paid for *registration/renewal/issue of duplicate certificate

Rs.....

- (b) Name of Head Post Office.....
(Attach copy of challan vide which the fees have been deposited)

5. Area in which cable television Networks is working/proposed to be set up.....
6. Date from which the cable television networks is operating/proposed to be set up.....
7. Number of channels being provided/proposed to be provided (with names).....

* substituted by GSR 459(E) dated 8.10.96

8. (a) Whether using Television Receive Only(TVRO) Yes/No
 (b) If yes, number and size of TVRO.....
 (c) Location
9. Names of Doordarshan satellite channels included in cable service...
10. Copy of earlier registration certificate enclosed. Yes/No
 (To be filled in only for renewal of registration).
11. (a) State reasons for issue of duplicate certificate of registration....
 (attach mutilated or defaced original certificate of registration/copy of report made to the police in case of theft or loss of the original certificate)
 (b) Period of validity of the original Registration Certificate for which the duplicate Registration Certificate is being sought.....
 (To be filled in only for issue of duplicate Registration Certificate)
12. Declaration in Form 2 enclosed. Yes/
 No
 (To be filled in for *registration/renewal of registration only)

I/We _____ the _____ applicant(s)
 *(Individual/firm/company/association of persons/body of individuals) do hereby declare that the above facts are correct in all respects.

Signature of Applicant
 *(Individual/firm/company/
 association of persons/
 body of individuals)

Place:

Name _____

Date:

Address _____

★ Scōte out the word or words which are not applicable.

FORM 2

(see rule 3(1-3))

I/We ——— the applicant(s) *(individual/firm/company/association of person/body of individuals) for registration as a cable operator/renewal of registration as a cable operator do hereby declare that:-

(i) I/We shall ensure that my / our television network shall be run in accordance with the provisions of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Ordinance 1994 at all times.

(ii) I/We shall not permit/associate any person who is not eligible to run a cable television network under the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Ordinance 1994 to run/with the running of my/our cable television network.

(iii) I/We shall strive to the best of my / our ability to provide cable service to the satisfaction of the subscriber (s) of my/our cable television network.

(iv) I/We shall strive to the best of my / our ability to ensure that my / our cable television network is not used for any unlawful purpose.

(v) I/We shall obtain the necessary approval/clearance from the relevant authority for the running of my / our cable television network.

(vi) I/We shall abide by any direction issued by the Central Government in respect of the running of a cable television network within India.

Signature of Applicant

* (Individual/firm/company/association
of persons / body of individuals)

Place:

Name _____

Date:

Address _____

* Score out the word or words which are not applicable

FORM 3

(See rule 5)

Government of India

Head Post Office

REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE NUMBER

Shri/Shrimati/M/s _____ resident of _____ is registered as a cable operator (individual, firm,*Company, association of persons or body of individuals) for running a cable television network at the following address _____ in the city/town of _____ for a period of twelve months with effect from _____

His Registration Number is _____

2. This Certificate is only valid for the premises stated above.
3. This Registration Certificate is not transferable.
4. The Certificate shall remain valid for the period indicated above or till the holder carries on the cable service or where the surrender of the certificate accepted by the competent authority.

Head Post Master

Head Post Office

Place : _____ (town/city)
Date:

TO BE DISPLAYED PROMINENTLY ON THE PREMISES OF THE CABLE OPERATOR.

* Tick whichever is appropriate.

¹⁰FORM 3A
(See Rule 5(2))

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
Head Post Office

DUPLICATE REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

Shri/Shrimati/M/s..... resident of is
registered as a cable operator *(individual/firm/company/association of persons
or body of individuals) for running a cable television network at the following
address..... in the city/town of
for a period of twelve months with effect from..... (date from
which the original Registration Certificate was valid).

His Registration number is.....

- 2. This Certificate is valid only for the premises stated above.
- * 3. This Registration Certificate is not transferable.
- 4. The Certificate shall remain valid for the period indicated above or till
the holder carries on the cable service or where the surrender of the certificate
is accepted by the competent authority.

Head Post Master
Head Post Office
.....(town/city)

Place:

Date:

TO BE DISPLAYED PROMINENTLY ON THE PREMISES OF THE
CABLE OPERATOR

*Tick whichever is appropriate

¹⁰ inserted by G.S.R 459(E) dated 8.10.96

FORM 4

(See proviso to rule 5 (3))

To _____

Sir,

Reference your application dated _____ for registration as a cable operator. The necessary registration cannot be granted to you for the following reason (s): -

- (i) Application is incomplete.
- (ii) Registration fee has not been tendered.
- (iii) Applicant is not a citizen of India.

(iv) Less than fifty one percent of the paid-up share capital of the applicant company is held by citizens of India.

Head Post Master

Head Post Office

Place: _____

Date: _____

FORM 5

(See rule 8)

Form of register to be maintained by each cable operator.

Sl. No.	Encrypted Channel/ Programme	Duration From	to	Date	Month	Year
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.

Signature of cable operator

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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NOTIFICATION

S.O. 718(E): In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (h) of section 2 of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Ordinance, 94, the Central Government hereby notifies the Head Post Master of a Head Post Office, of the area within whose territorial jurisdiction of office of the cable operator is situated, as the Registering Authority for registering cable television networks in the said area for the purposes of the said ordinance.

NAVIN CHAWLA
Joint Secretary