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Government of India
Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
'A' Wing Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi -110001

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

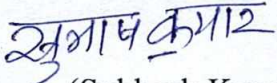
Subject: Clarification regarding Policy Guidelines for Uplinking and Downlinking of Satellite TV Channels, 2022 dated 09.11.2022-reg.

This Ministry has received requests from stakeholders seeking clarification on Clause 11 (3) (f) of the Policy Guidelines, 2022. Some stakeholders have suggested that this clause could be misinterpreted to allow permission holders of Satellite TV Channels to provide signal reception decoders to various entities who were previously not permitted under the policy guidelines of 2011. However, the Ministry's stance on this matter remains unchanged from the policy guidelines of 2011.

2. Accordingly, it is reaffirmed that the permitted entities may **only** provide TV Channel Signal Decoders to the following:

- i. MSOs/Cable Operators registered under the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995.
- ii. DTH Operators registered under the DTH guidelines issued by Government of India.
- iii. Internet Protocol Television (IPTV) Service Provider duly permitted under their existing Telecom License or authorized by Department of Telecommunications.
- iv. HITS Operator duly permitted under the Policy Guidelines for HITS operators issued by the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting.

2. This O.M. is issued under Clause 37 of the Policy Guidelines for Uplinking and Downlinking of Satellite Television Channels in India, 2022.



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To,
All Broadcasters