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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING  
(FM CELL)  
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**ADVISORY**

WHEREAS it has come to the notice of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting that some FM Radio Channels FM Radio channels are playing songs/broadcast content which glorify Alcohol/Drugs/Weaponry/Gangster/Gun culture etc.


WHEREAS The Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana has taken judicial note that such content affect the children of impressionable age. In addition, it gives rise to culture of gangsters.

Whereas Clause 11.1 of GOPA (10.1 of MGOPA) provides that the permission holder shall follow the same Programme and Advertisement codes as followed by All India Radio as amended from time to time or any other applicable code, which the central Government may prescribe from time to time.

Whereas the broadcast of such songs/content is in violation of the AIR Programme Code.

WHEREAS clause 25.3 of GOPA (24.3 of MGOPA) provides that, in the event of the permission holder violating any term and conditions of permission or any other provisions of the FM radio policy, the Grantor shall have the right to impose the sanctions for suspension of the permission and prohibition of broadcast as prescribed therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, in exercise of powers flowing from the GOPA/MGOPA hereby advises all FM Radio channels to strictly adhere to the terms and conditions prescribed therein and not to air any content in violation thereof. Any violation shall entail such penal action as deemed fit in accordance with the terms and condition laid down in the GOPA/MGOPA.

  
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