

the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. The Ministry accordingly has been communicating with the State Governments for setting up of State and District level Monitoring Committees to ensure compliance of the provisions of the Cable Act and the Rules thereunder. Recently, the Government on 7.10.2009 has issued an advisory to all authorized Multi System Operators and Cable Operators Associations to discontinue with immediate effect the transmission/re-transmission of illegal channels failing which penal action would be taken. The Ministry is also in touch with the Ministry of Home Affairs in this regard.

Depiction of violence, obscurities and vulgarity on TV

1903. SHRI A. ELAVARASAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether depiction of violence, obscurities and vulgarity on various television channels is increasing;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has received any complaints in this regard;

(d) if so, the number of such complaints reported during the last two years, and the current year alongwith the action taken by Government on those channels;

(e) whether there is any clear and accurate guidelines fixed for these TV channels so that incidents of violence and the incidents of distorting the culture, civilization and tradition can be checked; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI CHOUDHURY MOHAN JATUA): (a) and (b) No such specific study has been brought to the notice of the Government. However, some instances of violence, obscenity and vulgarity shown on television have been brought to the notice of the Government.

(c) and (d) A statement showing the details of Show Cause Notices issued to various TV channels for showing violence, obscenity and vulgarity on Television during the last two years and current year and final action taken thereon is enclosed (See below).

(e) and (f) There is no provision of pre-censorship of the programmes telecast by Private TV channels. However, all the Private TV channels are required to adhere to the Programme and Advertising Codes prescribed under the Cable Television (Regulation) Act, 1995 and Rules framed thereunder. This Ministry has constituted an Inter Ministerial Committee to look into specific complaints or to take *sou motu* cognizance against the violation of the Programme and Advertising Codes. Action is taken as per the provisions of the Cable Act whenever any specific violation is found.

Statement

Statement Showing the number and names of TV channels against which complaint of violence, obscenity and vulgarity have been received during last two years i.e. 2007 and 2008 and current year 2009. (As on 30.11.2009)

Sl. No.	Name of the Channel	Reasons for issue of SCN	Date of SCN issued	Action Taken
1	2	3	4	5
YEAR 2007				
1.	IBN 7	Telecast of an obscene Programme 'Kiss Par Rok Nahi'	28.03.2007	IBN 7 Channel directed vide Order dated 14.11.2007 to run an apology scroll for three days. The Channel complied with. MATTER CLOSED.
2.	Zee News	Telecast of an obscene programme 'Jumma Chumma De De'	28.03.2007	Zee News Channel directed vide Order dated 14.11.2007 to run an apology scroll for three days. The Channel complied with. MATTER CLOSED.
3.	Star News	Telecast of obscene programmes 'Sex Me Twist' and 'Kiss Karo'	28.03.2007	Advisory dated 25.06.2006 issued to the Channel. MATTER CLOSED.
4.	India TV	Telecast of an objectionable programme on Ms. Jhanvi Kapoor	02.07.2007	Ms. Jhanvi has also filed a W.P. before Hon'ble Delhi High Court which is pending. Opinion of M/o Law and Justice has been sought.

Warning dated 03.07.2009 issued to the channel for running apology scroll for three days as the telecast was based on distorted facts.		
5.	IBN 7	Telecast of an obscene programme 'Kissa Kissa Ka'
		06.07.2007
		A Warning dated 06.12.2007 issued to the Channel. MATTER CLOSED
6.	India TV	Telecast of programme 'India Bol' containing adult language.
		31.10.2007
		Advisory dated 19.12.2007 issued to the Channel. MATTER CLOSED
7.	NDTV	Telecast of News item on mob violence in Guwahati and adivasi women being beaten up by men.
		19.12.2007
		Warning dated 05.09.2008 issued to the Channel. MATTER CLOSED.
8.	IBN 7	Telecast of News item on mob violence in Guwahati and adivasi women being beaten up by men.
		19.12.2007
		Warning dated 05.09.2008 issued to the Channel. MATTER CLOSED.
9.	NETV	Telecast of News item on mob violence in Guwahati and adivasi women being beaten up by men.
		19.12.2007
		Warning dated 05.09.2008 issued to the Channel. MATTER CLOSED.

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YEAR 2008				
1.	MTV	Telecast of obscene advt. of 'New Axe Deodorant'.	22.02.2008	MTV Channel was directed vide Order dated 02.05.2008 to run an apology scroll for three days The Channel complied with the direction. MATTER CLOSED.
2.	Star News	Telecast of obscene advt. of 'New Axe Deodorant'.	22.02.2008	Star News Channel was directed vide Order dated 02.05.2008 to run an apology scroll three days The Channel complied with the direction. MATTER CLOSED.
3.	India News	Telecast of News item based on MMS depicting sexual activities of Arushi and Hemraj.	09.06.2008	Warning dated 05.09.2008 issued to the Channel. MATTER CLOSED.
4..	Headlines Today	Telecast of an obscene News item titled 'Birth Day Suit' based on completion of 62 years of bikini.	11.08.2008	An Advisory dated 23.03.2009 issued to the Channel. MATTER CLOSED.
5.	MTV	Telecast of obscene Reality Show titled 'Spitsvilla'	11.08.2008	No violation observed. MATTER CLOSED.
6.	ETV Bangla	Telecast of vulgar and obscene advt. of AXE Dark Temptation Deodorant.	22.08.2008	Advertisements has been modified.

7.	Aaj Tak	Telecast of vulgar and obscene advt. AXE Dark Temptation Deodorant.	22.08.2008	Advertisements has been modified.
8.	Discovery	Telecast of vulgar and obscene advt. AXE Dark Temptation Deodorant.	22.08.2008	Advertisements has been modified.
9.	Bindass	Telecast of vulgar Programme titled 'Dadagiri'	11.09.2008	Warning dated 25.11.2008. MATTER CLOSED
10.	Star Movies	Telecast of an obscene advertisement of 'Virgin Mobile'	19.09.2008	Advertisement has been withdrawn. MATTER CLOSED.
11.	Discovery	Telecast of an obscene advertisement of 'Virgin Mobile'	19.09.2008	Advertisement has been withdrawn. MATTER CLOSED.
12.	Hungama	Telecast of a cartoon show namely 'Shin-Chan' containing obscene visuals and it denigrates children.	23.09.2008	No action taken as the programme has already been stopped. MATTER CLOSED.
13.	Channel [V]	Telecast of an obscene reality beauty show titled 'Get Gorgeous 5'	08.10.2008	Warning dated 03.07.2009 issued to the Channel. MATTER CLOSED
14.	News 24	Telecast of a reality show 'Big Boss Season-2'	28.11.2008	Warning dated 03.06.2009 issued to the Channel. MATTER CLOSED.

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15.	Colors	Telecast of a reality show 'Big Boss Season -2'	28.11.2008	Advisory dated 03.06.2009 issued to the Channel. MATTER CLOSED.
16.	India TV	Telecast of a news item titled 'Ye Bachchon Ka Khel Nahin' denigrating children.	12.12.2008	India TV Channel represented to NCPCR and they being satisfied with the Channel requested this Ministry not to proceed the matter further. As such, the matter was not processed further. MATTER CLOSED.
Year 2009				
1.	MTV	Telecast of obscene, indecent and vulgar programme titled 'MTV/Rodies'.	31.03.2009	Order dated 01.07.2009 issued to the Channel directing it to run apology scroll for three days. MATTER CLOSED.
2.	MTV Channel	Telecast of the programme titled 'Vodafone MTV Splitsvilla-2' uttering unfair remark to another participant.	02.06.2009	IMC's recommendation obtained. Final Orders under issue.
3.	Real TV	Telecast of indecent Reality Show titled 'Sarkar Ki Duniya'	30.06.2009	IMC's recommendation obtained. Final Orders under issue.
4.	NDTV India	Telecast of a news item based on indecent Reality Show titled 'Sarkar Ki Duniya'	30.06.2009	IMC's recommendation obtained. Final Orders under issue.
5.	Star Plus	Telecast of a obscene, vulgar and indecent Reality Game Show titled 'Such Ka Samna'	22.07.2009	A Warning dated 27.11.2009 issued to the channel. MATTER CLOSED.

6.	9X TV	Telecast of a tele-serial titled 'Black' telecasting horrifying visuals	27.07.2009	ILM's recommendation obtained. Final Orders under issue.
7.	NDTV Imagine	Telecast of tele-serial titled 'Bandini' showing indecent visuals	28.07.2009	ILM's recommendation obtained. Final Orders under issue.
8.	Bindass	Telecast of an indecent serial 'Sun Yaar Chill Maar'	29.07.2009	ILM's recommendation obtained. Final Orders under issue.
9.	Channel [V]	Telecast of an indecent programme titled 'Launch Pad'	29.07.2009	ILM's recommendation obtained. Final Orders under issue.
10.	VH-1	Telecast of the programme 'Saturday Night Live' showing indecent visuals	19.08.2009	ILM's recommendation obtained. Final Orders under issue.
11.	Bindass	Telecast of the Reality Show 'Dadagiri'	26.08.2009	Reply under examination
12.	Sony	Telecast of the Reality Show 'Iss Jungle Se Mujhe Bachao'	26.08.2009	ILM's recommendation obtained. Final Orders under issue.
13.	FTV.com India	Telecast of obscene visuals	11.09.2009	Reply under examination
14.	Colors Channel	Telecast of the reality show 'BIG BOSS Season-3'	26.10.2009	Reply under consideration