

F. No. 02/63/2017-DAS
Government of India
Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi 110001
Dated : 10/ 02/2021

To,

Mr. Surendra Kumar Jaiwal,
President,
Hotel and Restaurant Association of Northern India (HRANI),
Hotel Deep Palace, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
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Subject: Transmission of Mandatory TV Channels.

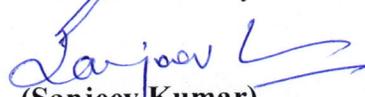
Sir / Madam,

As you may be aware that the Central Government in pursuance of Section 8 of Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995, has notified TV channels (25 Doordarshan Channels as per the list attached in addition to Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha TV channel) that are to be mandatorily carried by each cable operator on its TV network. Non- carriage of mandatory channels is likely to attract punitive action under Section 11, Section 12 and Section 16 of the said Act.

2. It has come to the notice of this Ministry that many hotels in the country, particularly high end hotels, are not offering the services of mandatory channels to their customers. The matter needs immediate attention whether the Distribution Platform Operator (DPO) supplying the television signal feed to the hotel is not carrying mandatory channels on its network or the same are being blocked by the hotels.

3. It is requested to kindly have the matter examined amongst your member hotels and a status report on the same alongwith the details of the respective DPOs may be furnished to this ministry within two weeks of issue of this letter. Further, this Ministry would also like to have a discussion with you soon on the issue through video conferencing. Details of your representative for the same alongwith her / his details, e.g. email, phone number etc. be also provided.

Yours sincerely


(Sanjeev Kumar)

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