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Government of India
Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
Digital Media Division

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
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To,

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Subject: Registration of 'Working Journalist Media Council' as self-regulatory body under Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021- regarding

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to communication dated 16 November, 2021 from Working Journalist Media Council on the above mentioned subject and to convey the approval of the competent authority in the Ministry for registration of "Working Journalist Media Council" as the Level II Self Regulatory Body for publishers of news and current affairs content as per rule 12 of the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021.

2. It is hereby informed that **Working Journalist Media Council (WJMC)** has been registered as the self-regulatory body with the member publishers as per the list enclosed at the **Annexure**.

3. As informed, the composition of the "Working Journalist Media Council" as the self-regulatory body on the date of registration is as under:

- Shri Kumar Saurav, Chairperson, WJMC and Senior Journalist with over 11 years of working experience- **Chairperson**
- Shri Praveen Govind Jha, Senior Journalist with over 20 years of working experience in print media - **Member**
- Advocate Vinit Panday with over 15 year of working experience as a legal advisor in various media houses- **Member**
- Advocate Sameer Goyal with over 10 year of working experience as a legal advisor in various media houses- **Member**
- Ms. Gunjan, National President, WJMC - **President**
- Shri J.P Tripathi, Vice President, WJMC, and journalist wit over 8 years of working experience - **Member**

4. The Working Journalist Media Council shall perform functions laid down in the sub rules (4) and (5) of rule 12 for the purpose of redressing grievances related to Code of Ethics under the Rules. The body shall also ensure that the member publishers have agreed to adhere to the provisions of the Rules, including furnishing the requisite information under rule 18 of the Rules.

5. Any change in the composition of the body and/or the membership of the publishers shall be informed to the Ministry as soon as such change takes place.

6. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority in the Ministry.

Encl: as above

Yours faithfully,



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