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GOVERNMENT OF PONDICHERY
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Pondicherry, the 11th June 1999.

The following Act of the Legislative Assembly, Pondicherry received the assent of the Lieutenant-Governor, Pondicherry on the 7th June 1999 and is hereby published for general information:—

THE PONDICHERRY MUNICIPALITIES (SECOND
AMENDMENT) ACT, 1999
(Act No. 9 of 1999)

[7-6-1999]

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ACT

further to amend the Pondicherry Municipalities Act, 1973.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of Pondicherry in the Fiftieth Year of the Republic of India as follows :—

Short title and
commence-
ment.

1. (1) This Act may be called the Pondicherry Municipalities (Second Amendment) Act, 1999.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

Insertion of new
section 161-A.

2. In the Pondicherry Municipalities Act, 1973 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), after section 161, the following section shall be inserted, namely :—

Tax on Televi-
sion exhibition.

“161 A. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in section 161, entertainment tax on cable television exhibition of any programme, including cable television network, shall be levied at the rate of ten per cent. of the amount collected by a cable operator by way of contribution or subscription or installation or connection charges or any other charges collected in any manner whatsoever from a subscriber.

(2) The tax levied under this section shall be recoverable from the cable operator or any person providing cable television exhibition including cable television network; the tax liability shall not be passed on to the subscribers.

Explanation .—For the purposes of this section,—

(i) “antenna” means an apparatus which is able to receive television signals and which enables viewers to tune into transmissions including national or international satellite transmissions and is erected or installed for television exhibition;

(ii) "cable operator" means any person who provides cable service through a cable television network or otherwise controls or is responsible for the management and operation of a cable television network;

(iii) "cable service" means the transmission by cables of programmes including re-transmission by cables of any broadcast television signals;

(iv) "cable television" means a cable service system organised for television exhibition of programmes which are viewed and heard on the television receiving set at a residential or non-residential place of a subscriber, by using a recorder or player or similar such apparatus on which pre-recorded video cassettes or discs or both are played or replayed;

(v) "cable television network" means any system consisting of a set of closed transmission paths and associated signal generation, control and distribution equipment, designed to provide cable service for reception by multiple subscribers;

(vi) "programme" means any television broadcast, and includes—

(a) exhibition of films, features, dramas, advertisements and serials through video cassette recorders or video cassette players or discs or both;

(b) any audio or visual or audio-visual live-performance or presentation;

and the expression "programming service" shall be construed accordingly;

(vii) "subscriber" means a person who receives the signals of cable television

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network at a place indicated by him to the cable operator, without further transmitting it to any other person; and

(viii) "television exhibition" means an exhibition with the aid of any type of antenna with a cable network attached to it or cable television of a programme by means of transmission of television signals by wire, where subscribers' television sets at residential or non-residential place are linked by metallic coaxial cable or optic fibre cable to a central system called the head-end."

Amendment of
section 168.

3. In section 168 of the principal Act, after sub-section (3), the following explanation shall be inserted, namely:—

"Explanation.— For the purposes of this section, the place of entertainment in relation to television exhibition shall be deemed to be the place from where such television exhibition is provided."

Amendment of
Schedule-V.

4. In Schedule-V of the principal Act, in the entries against serial number (iii), for the words "two-fifths", the words "seven-twentieths" shall be substituted.

JOHN CLAUDE POMPEI MARIADASSOU,
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