



**Notice from the Ministry of Communication and Information Technology
regarding the Regulation of Social Media Platform Usage**

As per Clause 3 of the "Directive for Managing the Use of Social Networks, 2023", the person, company, or institution willing to operate or are in operation of social network platforms in Nepal are required to enlist their network platforms with the Ministry of Communication and Information Technology. Similarly, article 6 of the same directive further envisages that every social media network operating within Nepal should arrange a point of contact within Nepal. In this regard, all the concerned individuals, companies, or institutions are hereby directed to complete the process of enlistment of social network platforms, to arrange a Point of Contact, and to ensure compliance with the provisions outlined in the directive. It is also informed that the Ministry may ban social network platforms from operating within Nepal if the provisions outlined in the directive are not followed properly. Furthermore, in addition to the "Directive for Managing the Use of Social Networks, 2023, the Government of Nepal, Council of Ministers has assigned additional responsibilities to all social network platforms operated within the country as follows:

1. Assisting in the promotion of tourism in Nepal.
2. Supporting cyber security and digital literacy initiatives across the country
3. Contributing to the digital transformation of the education sector, with a focus on enhancing the quality of education in schools and colleges
4. Implementing appropriate technology for content filtering and moderation, specifically in Nepali and other national languages, cooperating with government authorities to remove unlawful and inappropriate content that disrupts social harmony or incites cybercrime.

All relevant stakeholders are urged to comply with these provisions and cooperate with the government to ensure a safe, secure, and well-regulated digital environment in Nepal. For further details regarding the regulatory framework governing social network platforms, the "Directive for Managing the Use of Social Networks, 2023" (available both in Nepali and English) can be accessed on the official website of the Ministry: <https://mocit.gov.np/>