



INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION  
TECHNOLOGIES AUTHORITY

## **COMMUNIQUE**

The ICT Authority wishes to remind the public of section 46(ga) of the INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES ACT 2001(ICT Act) which is reproduced below, in relation to the posting or sharing of harmful content on social media platforms:

*Any person who-*

*uses a telecommunication equipment, an information and communication service, a telecommunication service or information and communication technologies to send, transmit, transfer, post, publish, deliver, show or otherwise communicates by means of the telecommunication equipment a message which is obscene, indecent, offensive, abusive, threatening, menacing, false or misleading, which is likely to cause or causes harm to a person;*

*shall commit an offence.*

The public is hereby reminded of its duty comply with the above provisions of the Law failing which the hefty sanction provided under the ICT Act, i.e. penal servitude for a term not exceeding 10 years and to a fine not exceeding one million rupees may be applicable in case of conviction following a breach of the ICT Act.

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