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Subject: Voluntary disclosure of non-compliant drones flying in India - reg.

Whereas, the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has issued the Civil Aviation Requirements (CAR), Section 3 – Air Transport Series X, Part I, Issue I, Dated 27 August, 2018 which regulates the use of drones in the Indian Airspace and these regulations provide process for obtaining Unique Identification Number (UIN), Unmanned Aircraft Operator Permit (UAOP) and other operational requirements including identification of civil drones and drone operators.

2. The presence of such drones as well as drone operators has come to the notice of the Government which do not comply with the CAR mentioned above. If drones are operated without due permission, the aforesaid process of CAR is violated.

3. In order to facilitate the identification of civil drones and drone operators, a one-time opportunity for voluntary disclosure of such drones and drone operators is now being provided. The conditions of No Permission-No Takeoff (NPNT) as envisaged in the aforesaid CAR are not mandatory for this purpose.

4. Persons in possession of drones are hereby requested to submit the required information to the Government. The submission of requisite information is being facilitated by making the entire process online through a portal. The details of the submission process can be obtained by visiting Digital Sky portal at https://digitalsky.dgca.gov.in. All persons in possession of drones are required to complete the process by 31st January 2020.

5. On successful submission of voluntary disclosure of possessing drone, a Drone Acknowledgement Number (DAN) and an Ownership Acknowledgement Number (OAN) will be issued online which will help in validation of operations of drones in India. However, the DAN or OAN does not confer any right to operate drone(s) in India, if it does not fulfill the provisions given in the CAR. Further, ownership of drone(s) in India without a valid DAN or OAN shall invite penal action as per applicable laws. This database will be used to process each case as per the regulations by seeking further information, if required.
6. Any clarification or additional information in this regard may be sought from Digital Sky Help desk at support-digisky@gov.in.

7. The above is for strict compliance.

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