

Is it Fair to Cut-off 18+ Scenes Telecasted Through The Sri Lankan Television Channels?

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Abstract

Television is a public media. The structure of the television has been made with the ability to watch television without any differences of age. That means from a child to grown ups. Therefore, implementing rules and regulations for watching television is much harder and also an unfair thing. Somehow, I would like to submit a major problem as an observation when paying attention to Sri Lankan television channels. Sri Lankan channels cut off the relevant scenes of the programs including 18+ scenes. Actually, is this fair? I emphasis again the Television is a public media and It can be watched by any person from any age group. Concerning that, cutting off 18+ scenes seems to be fair. On the other side, it will be an obstacle for the taste of a person who passed the particular age. According to this, it is not necessary to come up with a fair solution with fair result for all the parties. Many television channels of countries all over the world had found various solutions for this matter, but Sri Lanka stays on the same primary stage, still cutting off the scenes. Each program, which telecasted through every channel of the country should be categorized into different age groups and identified by a particular sign, to which age group that particular program is suitable for. After that, that particular sign should be telecasted before that particular program and let the viewers know to which age group that program is suitable for. Through these observations, I am hoping to introduce a formal method of telecasting and to put an end to these primary methods of cutting off the scenes that are still in progress in the television industry of Sri Lanka.

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