Supreme Court Directs Centre to Curb Misuse of Live Court Feeds

The Supreme Court directed the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) to take action against the commercial exploitation and misuse of live-streamed judicial proceedings.

An initiative regarding the regulation and protection of live court proceedings against unauthorized editing, watermarking issues, and commercial exploitation on digital platforms.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- The Supreme Court issued directions on October 30, 2026, to prevent the online misuse of live court feeds.
- A Bench headed by Chief Justice of India Surya Kant dealt with the matter concerning the commercial exploitation of judicial proceedings.
- Solicitor General Tushar Mehta submitted that suggestions from various High Courts and stakeholders have been forwarded to MeitY.
- The Supreme Court asked the Centre to consider measures such as official watermarks and authenticated releases.

DID YOU KNOW..!?

The Supreme Court of India was established and came into being on **January 28, 1950**, under **Article 124** of the Constitution.

The concept of live-streaming of Supreme Court proceedings was initiated following the landmark judgment in **Swapnil Tripathi v. Supreme Court of India** (**2018**).

Article 145 of the Indian Constitution empowers the Supreme Court to make rules for regulating the practice and procedure of the Court.

The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (**MeitY**) was created as an independent ministry in **July 2016**.

The **Solicitor General** of India assists the Attorney General and is the second-highest law officer of the country.

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