

- (i) Anti-social activities such as violence, homosexuality, promiscuity, and witchcraft are not glorified or justified;
- (ii) Any material that tends or has the potential to directly or indirectly undermine national security is not depicted;
- (iii) Any material that induces or reinforces the corruption of private or public morality is not depicted;
- (iv) Any material that has the potential to encourage illegal or criminal acts or to encourage racial, tribal, religious, gender, ethnic or any other form of discrimination or conflict; or by its contents to be blasphemous or obscene or to denigrate the dignity of womanhood are not depicted.
- (v) The modus operandi of criminals, other visuals or other words likely to incite the commission of any offence.
- (vi) Vulgar, obscene language and stereo types are not used.

### **Procedure for Censorship/ Classification**

1. Every application for classification of a film, video, play and other apparatus shall be made to the Secretary of the Media Council and shall be accompanied by:
  - (i) A synopsis of the material giving a full description of the scenes; and
  - (ii) the full script/text of the spoken parts (if any and where applicable) of, the entire film, video, play and other apparatus.
  - (iii) The entire film, video, play and other apparatus (where applicable) to which the application relates.
  - (iv) A copy of every poster intended to be publicly displayed in connection with the film, video, play and other apparatus or its exhibition, or else, where Council so directs a full description thereof and of the visual and audio contents thereof.
  - (v) An indication of the country(s) where it was produced.
2. All applications shall be accompanied with evidence of payment of certification fees to be set by the Media Council. *No film, video, play and other apparatus or related apparatus shall be classified or otherwise considered by Council unless the certification fees have been cleared.*
3. If any Title/sub-title, text, description, and synopsis is in a language other than English, the Secretary Media Council may require a translation thereof into English, certified to his satisfaction or may submit for the examination and report of such expert as the Council may appoint for the purpose. The Council shall not be responsible for any translation or related costs.
4. The classification decision for a movie shall be based entirely on the individual impact and characteristics of each film, video, play and other apparatus.