

## Section 25: Suspension of Licence

(1) The Controller may, if he is satisfied after making such inquiry, as he may think fit, that a Certifying Authority has -

(a) made a statement in, or in relation to, the application for the issue or renewal of the licence, which is incorrect or false in material particulars;

(b) failed to comply with the terms and conditions subject to which the licence was granted;

(c) failed to maintain the standards specified in Section 30

(d) contravened any provisions of this Act, rule, regulation or order made thereunder, revoke the license:

Provided that

no licence shall be revoked unless the Certifying Authority has been given a reasonable opportunity of showing cause against the proposed revocation.

(2) The Controller may, if he has reasonable cause to believe that there is any ground for revoking a licence under sub-section (1), by order suspend such licence pending the completion of any enquiry ordered by him:

Provided that

no licence shall be suspended for a period exceeding ten days unless the Certifying Authority has been given a reasonable opportunity of showing cause against the proposed suspension.

(3) No Certifying Authority whose license has been suspended shall issue any Electronic Signature Certificate during such suspension.

### **News # 1: Ban porn sites or lose license: High Court to ISPs**

The Uttarakhand High Court has asked the Centre to impose a strict ban on pornographic websites, after taking cognisance of recent reports that a girl was gangraped in a Dehradun school by her school mates allegedly after watching porn clips. A division bench comprising Acting Chief Justice Rajiv Shara and Justice Manoj Tiwari has issued directives for internet service providers (ISPs) to implement the ban. The ISPs violating this direction will lose their licence as per Section 25 of the Information Technology Act 2000, the High Court said.