

Report on last year's activities

Last year, in the Republic of Armenia operated 91 television companies and 19 radio companies.

From 91 television companies 36 have terrestrial transmission while other 55 have cable transmission.

From 36 television companies with terrestrial transmission:

As we have already broadcasting digital transmission 24 television companies are with digital broadcasting.

- Countrywide broadcasting – 6 companies, including 1 company implementing retransmission
- Capital broadcasting – 9 companies, including 3 companies implementing retransmission
- Regional broadcasting- 25 companies, from which 12 are local analogue television companies

From 55 television companies with cable transmission:

From 19 radio companies:

- Capital broadcasting – 13 companies
- More than one region – 3 companies
- Regional broadcasting (in one region only) – 3 companies

It's worth to mention that a new competition was held for the radio companies and new licenses were given to all of them. So now in Armenia we have 18 radio companies from which:

- Countrywide broadcasting – 3 companies
- Capital broadcasting – 13 companies
- Regional broadcasting – 2 companies

During last year Commission, for implementing its regulatory functions, in 2100 days made direct views of television and radio programs of republic and capital coverage and in 1860 days television and radio programs of territorial coverage.

The Commission got and studied the details of registration books of television and radio companies, maintained their database, compared its direct

views with the information provided by the companies, as well as studied the legal documents of the television and radio broadcasting programs.

During last year Commission convened 28 meetings, during which 85 individual decisions were made. Commission received 437 notes (letters), 13 complaints from the citizens of the republic and some companies (about inefficient of the television programs, language purity, broadcasting dishonest advertising, etc.), who were answered according to the current legislative acts.

National Commission participated in the 45th (autumn) and 46th (spring) EPRA meetings. As well as in the OSCE, South Caucasus Media Conference organized in Tbilisi, Georgia in May. In September there was another conference for the regulators 2nd Eastern Partnership Media Conference which took place in Kiev, Ukraine.

As you know this year we also had two important elections in the Republic of Armenia. First one Parliamentary elections and Municipal elections. The National Commission did monitoring in accordance with its methodology. In total 5820 hours of monitoring was done, from which 3420 television programs and 1560 radio programs. During the election 31 TV companies and 13 radio companies participated in the process. All parties were able to use equal possibilities during pre - election campaign and no complaints were received to the commission. Comments were positive also from the international, governmental, European and social companies. No violation of the Law was fixed.

The Commission collaborated with the regulatory authorities of foreign countries in the sphere of Television and Radio.

The Commission collaborated with the Armenian social and international organizations, current diplomatic representatives in the Republic of Armenia.

Thank you!!! ☺