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DishTV India Limited to hold M&E/ Broadcast industry's first ever Hackathon

A 30-Hour Long Hackathon will offer cash prize and scope to work with Dish TV

Noida, April 23, 2018: Dish TV India Limited, world's largest single country DTH brand is excited to announce the M&E/ Broadcast industry's first ever hackathon '**Dish-a-thon**' inviting tech enthusiasts to develop unique products and create impactful solutions to advance digital transformation for great customer experience.

This unique hackathon is aimed at inviting disruptive ideas with participation of Young innovators/disruptors/ startups/students/ developers across India. Registrations are currently open and the last day to submit entries is May 7, 2018.

On the launch of 'Dish-a-thon', **Mr. Anil Dua, Group CEO – Dish TV India Limited said**, "DishTV, with its innovative approach to media/content distribution platform is committed towards transforming TV viewing experience through technology and working with the broader tech ecosystem to develop innovative products. Our latest initiative, **Dish-a-thon** is aimed at delivering unparalleled customer experiences. We're thrilled to be leading this never done before initiative in the M&E/ Broadcast industry, which will provide opportunity for tech enthusiasts to come up with ideas that will re-define technology in the M&E/ Broadcast industry for the future."

Speaking on the initiative **Mr. Sukhpreet Singh, Senior vice president-Marketing, Dish TV India Limited said**, "It's an industry first initiative being done at this scale and depth that encourages innovation in DTH Industry to introduce fresh ideas to create new products and drive digital transformation. **Dish-a-thon** will provide a platform to innovators to enhance the present TV viewing experience and also to sow the seeds for future disruptions in this industry."

Speaking on the partnership, **Samkit Sharma, co-founder of IncubateIND said**, "We are proud to partner Dish TV, the pioneer in DTH industry, in the inaugural year of Dish-a-thon. Dish TV has always been at the forefront of development with its path-breaking initiatives and the most receptive brand who has imbibed innovation in its culture. We really hope that some of the ideas that will come from this Dish-a-thon will be accepted and worked upon by the leadership team of Dish TV".

Dish-a-thon is open for individual team of developers and startups. DishTV along with IncubateIND will be shortlisting 25 teams for a 30-hour open-format grand finale, which will be organized in Bangalore on June 16 and in Delhi on June 23, 2018. During the event, participants will get an opportunity to interact with industry experts and work with mentors to co-create and co-develop. The winners will be recognized through certifications and cash rewards and will also stand a chance to start a strategic engagement with DishTV.



About Dish TV India Limited:

Dish TV is India's biggest and amongst the world's largest (single country) direct-to-home (DTH) Company with a subscriber base of more than 29 million. The Company is part of the Essel Group, an Indian multinational business conglomerate having diverse business presence across Media, Entertainment, Packaging, Infrastructure, Education, Precious Metals, Finance and Technology sectors. Dish TV has on its platform more than 655 channels & services including 40 audio channels and 70 HD channels & services. Dish TV leverages multiple satellite platforms including NSS-6, Asiasat-5, SES-8, GSAT-15 and ST-2 and has a bandwidth capacity of 1422 MHz, the largest held by any DTH player in the country. The Company has a vast distribution network of over 4,000 distributors & around 400,000 dealers that span across 9,450 towns in the country. Dish TV is connected with its pan-India customer base through call-centres that are spread across 22 cities and are equipped to handle customer queries 24X7 in 12 different languages. For more information on the Company, please visit www.dishtv.in

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