



Action on Misleading Video of Maha Kumbh

Why in News?

Uttar Pradesh Police has taken **strict action against the misleading video** being shared on social media regarding [Mahakumbh 2025](#).

Key Points

- **About the issue:**
 - Action has been taken **against 53 social media accounts** in the last one month.
 - Through these accounts, **false information and misleading videos related to Maha Kumbh were posted.**
 - On the instructions of the [Chief Minister](#), the police and [cyber agencies](#) are keeping an eye on these fake news, so that such misleading information can be stopped from spreading.
- <https://drishti.xyz/uppcs-eng-fn-web-banner> **Effects on people:**
 - Due to the videos an attempt was made to spread false and misleading information.
 - The effect of this **misinformation creates confusion and fear in the minds of people.** An atmosphere of tension and insecurity is created in the society.

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Laws Related to Social Media and Fake News

- It is noteworthy that social media platforms in India already fall under the purview of [the Information Technology \(IT\) Act, 2008](#).
 - Although there is **no specific law to stop fake news in India**. But there are many organizations in India, which work in this regard.
- [The Press Council of India](#) is one such regulatory body **that can warn newspapers, news agencies and their editors** if it is found that they have violated the principles of journalism.
- [The News Broadcasters Association \(NBA\)](#) represents **private television news and current affairs broadcasters and investigates** complaints against them.
- [The Broadcasting Content Complaints Council \(BCCC\)](#) accepts and investigates complaints against TV broadcasters for objectionable TV content and fake news.

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