## **Culver Max Entertainment Pvt. Ltd: Fact Sheet**

(Formerly Sony Pictures Networks India Pvt. Ltd)

Year of Launch	October 1995 (30 <sup>th</sup> year of operations)	
Parent Company	Culver Max is an indirect wholly - owned subsidiary of Sony Group Corporation, Japan.	
<b>Broadcast Formats</b>	Standard Definition and High-Definition formats	
Businesses	General Entertainment, Sports, Movies, Factual entertainment, Regional, Content production, Kids and Digital	
Distribution reach	170 million households in over 8000 towns across India Over 700 million viewers across India	
International Presence	<ul> <li>Available in 167 countries with 16 feeds</li> <li>Distributed in over 70 countries</li> </ul>	
Key Management	<ul> <li>Managing Director &amp; CEO: Gaurav Banerjee</li> <li>General Counsel: Ritesh Khosla</li> </ul>	
Channel Break-up		
General Entertainment Channels (GEC's) - Hindi	Sony Entertainment Television: SET & SET HD – Flagship Hindi GEC with cross interest programming	
5 channels	Sony SAB & Sony SAB HD – India's first family entertainment channels	
	3. Sony PAL – archival content from SET and SAB	
Regional Channels – Bengali Marathi	<ol> <li>Sony AATH – SPN's premium Bangla entertainment channel.</li> <li>Sony Marathi – SPN's Marathi general entertainment channel.</li> </ol>	
(2 channels)		
Sony Sports Network (10 channels)	<ol> <li>Sony Sports Network – Sony Sports Ten 1, Sony Sports Ten 1 HD, Sony Sports Ten 2, Sony Sports Ten 2 HD, Sony Sports Ten 3, Sony Sports Ten 3 HD; Sony Sports Ten 4, Sony Sports Ten 4 HD; Sony Sports Ten 5; Sony Sports Ten 5 HD</li> </ol>	
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Movies – Hindi Channels (4 channels)	<ol> <li>Sony MAX and Sony MAX HD – provide movie buffs the best of Hindi Cinema</li> <li>Sony MAX 2 – brings alive yesteryear Hindi cinema</li> <li>Sony WAH – the Hindi movies channel for rural markets</li> </ol>
Movies – English Channels (2 channels)	Sony PIX and Sony PIX HD – engages viewers with amazing Hollywood films
Factual Entertainment Channels (2 channels)	Sony BBC Earth and Sony BBC Earth HD - award-winning factual programming from BBC
Kids Channels (1 channel)	Sony YAY! — A kids entertainment channel with homegrown original content in seven language feeds (English, Hindi, Marathi, Malayalam, Bangla, Tamil and Telugu)
TV & Digital Production	StudioNEXT an independent business unit of SPN to create original content and IPs for Television and Digital media within India and globally.
Digital (VOD platform)	Sony LIV – the network's OTT platform for LIVE sports, movies, short films, original and archival content.
Corporate Social Responsibility	Our Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programme focusses on creating a positive impact in our ecosystem and is built around 3 pillars; empowerment, education and environment.



## **Company Profile**

Culver Max Entertainment Private Limited, is one of India's leading media companies that owns, operates, and broadcasts a bouquet of television and digital channels. The Company is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Sony Group Corporation, Japan. It began its journey two decades ago in 1995. In its 30<sup>th</sup> year of existence, the company reaches out to over 700 million viewers across India every day. The Company telecasts a variety of channels ranging from general entertainment, sports, digital and films in both Standard Definition (SD) and High Definition (HD) formats.

General Entertainment (GEC's): Sony Entertainment Television (SET) is the flagship channel of SPN. With a creative and innovative approach, SET and SET HD have become immensely popular with its cross-interest programming. SPN engages audiences with rib-tickling humour while simultaneously embracing its changing cultural fabric with its family-oriented entertainment channels SAB and SAB HD. Offering popular content from SET and SAB TV, Sony PAL is a genre leader in rural Hindi speaking markets (HSM) showcasing the best of Hindi general entertainment and Hindi movies from SPN's content library. Sony AATH is the premium Bangla entertainment channel with an eclectic mix of fiction and regionally produced animation programmes. Sony YAY! the kids entertainment channel, promises to be the destination of unlimited happiness for kids. Bringing BBC's award-winning factual programming to the Indian audience, the network has entered a joint venture with BBC Earth to launch Sony BBC Earth and Sony BBC Earth HD. With an endeavour to weave bonds of genuine emotions with each life it touches, Sony Marathi aims at breaking stereotypes while celebrating the rich cultural fabric of Maharashtra through its innovative and engaging content.

Sony Sports Network: Sony Sports Network has several sports channels, SONY SPORTS TEN 1, SONY SPORTS TEN 1 HD, SONY SPORTS TEN 2 HD, SONY SPORTS TEN 3, SONY SPORTS TEN 3 HD, SONY SPORTS TEN 4, SONY SPORTS TEN 4 HD, SONY SPORTS TEN 5, SONY SPORTS TEN 5 HD. It has an enviable line-up of marquee sporting action across genres in its portfolio including four international cricket boards: England and Wales Cricket Board, Cricket New Zealand, Sri Lanka Cricket, and Pakistan Cricket Board along with the Asian Cricket Council (ACC). A premiere destination for football, Sony Sports Network is home to the best of World class football with the UEFA EURO 2028. In 2025, the network will telecast over 900 matches from the UEFA Champions League, UEFA Europa League, UEFA Nations League, Bundesliga, Roshn Saudi League, FA Cup, I-League, and more. The sports broadcaster also brings other sports like Hockey India League, UFC (Ultimate Fighting Championship), World Archery, Extreme H, Formula E, Ultimate Kho Kho, Pro Panja League and more to Indian shores through the year to deliver a distinct experience and engage viewers in a multi-sport milieu.

<u>Digital</u>: In 2013, the Company launched **Sony LIV** - the premium video-on-demand (VOD) service and has seen success with its original premium content Avrodh, Undekhi, Maharani, Scam 1992: The Harshad Mehta Story, Rocket Boys, Scam 2003: The Telgi Story, Gullak, Raat Jawaan Hai, Tanaav, Kafas, Maanvat Murders, Brinda, Shantit Kranti, Million Dollar Listing India, Shark Tank India as well as regional movies like Bramayugam, Kaanekkaane, Thalavan, Turbo, 2018, Salute, Por Thozhil among others. The Hollywood content library has some of the best titles like Leonardo, Alex Rider, Call your mother, The Whale, Insidious, Spider-man: Across The Spiderverse, Don't Breathe, Venom to name a few. Apart from archival and regional content, movie premieres, short films, and LIVE sports are also a very important facet of the Sony LIV offering. The platform revamped its interface and content offerings in May 2020 and has over 100 million app downloads.

<u>Movies</u>: Sony MAX, Sony MAX 2 and Sony MAX HD provide movie buffs with the very best of Hindi cinema. MAX is the destination for world premieres, while MAX HD mirrors the disposition of the Indian viewers who love their movies, appreciate superior and premium quality in their TV viewing experience. MAX 2 caters to the needs of the discerning viewers who appreciate rich Indian cinema that are evergreen and iconic in nature. Sony WAH is Hindi movie channel for rural audiences. The Company's English movie channels Sony PIX and Sony PIX HD engage viewers with Hollywood films.

**StudioNEXT:** An independent business unit of Culver Max Entertainment Pvt. Ltd, StudioNEXT will create original content and IPs for television and digital media within India and globally. This newly formed venture began its journey by coproducing Season 10 of KBC in partnership with Big Synergy. Going forward, StudioNEXT will produce new IPs whilst leveraging the existing ones under the Company.

<u>Distribution</u>: Culver Max Entertainment Pvt. Ltd distributes the networks television channels across different genres and languages through multiple content delivery platforms. It reaches out to over 170 million households across 8000 towns.





<u>Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)</u>: The Company believes in giving back to the society it operates in. To create positive change in the society we live in, the network focuses on 3 impact areas - Environment, Education and Empowerment.

**Sustainability:** With a goal to achieve Zero Waste to Landfill, SPNI has embarked on a sustainable journey to reduce its carbon footprint. The Company initiated its waste management journey in 2021, by implementing the 'avoid, reduce and recycle waste' approach in not just the organisation, but also with its content production houses to fulfil the organisation's goal of achieving a zero environmental footprint by 2050.

Awards: Culver Max Entertainment Pvt. Ltd has been recognised as an employer of choice within and outside the media industry. The Company has been recognised among India's Best Companies to Work For 2021 by Great Place to Work® Institute, India, that defines rigorous process that set the 'gold standard' for workplace cultures worldwide, Exemplars of Inclusion in AVTAR & Seramount's Most Inclusive Companies Index 2024 and listed as one of the 100 Best Companies for Women in India for eight consecutive years by AVTAR & Seramount. In recognition of company's unique workplace culture and exceptional people practices CMEPL won the ET Future Skills 2024 for Best Learning Program Supporting Change Transformation Business Strategy, and the TISS LeapVault CLO Awards 2024 for Best Employee Engagement Program and Best Games Based Learning Program. In keeping with its commitment to be an employer of choice and incorporating progressive HR practices, the Company has numerous initiatives to make the organisation more employee friendly.



