

North Korea launches own video streaming application but is heavily monitored by the government



Reuters/ Denis Balibouse North Korea distributes its own Netflix-like application for media streaming.

North Korea just launched its own video streaming application within the country. However, people who access the application will be monitored 24/7 to make sure only state-approved media is consumed.

According to North Korea news publication NK News, the application “My Companion 4.0” can now be downloaded on smartphones. The application is somehow similar to Netflix, but with a catch. The entertainment application was developed by Samhung IT Exchange company and is the upgraded version of the 3.3.

The application will function with a number of intranet of websites available in the country. This means the government of Kim Jong-Un can easily navigate and observe what people are watching. Any citizen caught watching or streaming any media content that is not approved by the government will receive severe punishment.

Viewing and accessing South Korean media is punishable by death sentence or a lifelong sentence behind bars. Prisons in North Korea are known to be one of the most brutal detention camps in the world. There have been several articles indicating that prisons in North Korea are the same with Nazi concentration camps due to their brutality.

Censorship in North Korea is a big deal for the government. That is why all media outlets and the content they distribute are being policed by the Kim Jong-Un and the North Korean government. According to reports, it is essential for the government and Kim Jong-Un that they are able to keep a strong grip on public information being disclosed.

In other news, tension between the United States and North Korea is escalating. There have already been discussions about the possibility of world war 3 and nuclear weapons. United States President Donald Trump says he is still open to peaceful talks with the rogue nation to resolve the conflict. However, Trump is asking for the help of other big nations like China and Russia to put an end to the dispute.

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