

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the news item caption `Website par Bharat ka Khandit Naksha` published in the Rajasthan Patrika, Kota dated 25 February, 2006;
- (b) if so, the details and reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposal to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In the news item, it has been reported that Emanuel Mission Society, Kota, has in its Website, shown the Map of India incorrectly. In the said Website, Kashmir has not been included as a part of India. Any map which is not in conformity with the outline Map of India as published by the Survey of India is totally unacceptable as far as Government of India is concerned.

(c) The Survey of India has taken cognizance of the matter and has initiated legal action against the said society.