

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3806  
ANSWERED ON:19.04.2005  
DISRESPECT TO NATIONAL FLAG  
Pathak Shri Brajesh

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Union Government is aware of an incident in which disrespect to the National Flag is reported to have been shown at Unnao district of Uttar Pradesh as appeared in the Lucknow edition of the `Hindustan` dated January, 31, 2005;
- (b) if so, the details thereabout;
- (c) whether some more such cases have also been noticed by the Government during each of the last three years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken against the erring persons?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT)

(a) & (b): As per the report received from the Government of Uttar Pradesh, a flag hoisting ceremony was held by the Zila Panchayat, Unnao, like every year, on the occasion of the Republic Day on 26.01.2005 in accordance with the laid down procedure. However, some time between 29.01.2005 & 30.01.2005, some miscreants got the National Flag photographed in a wrong way with a view to malign the image of Zila Panchayat. The Sanchalan Samiti, Zila Panchayat, Unnao, has clarified the position through the newspapers.

(c) & (d): During the last three years, some incidents involving disrespect shown to the National Flag have been brought to the notice of the Government. In all such incidents, cases have been registered against the erring persons under the relevant Act.