

Title : Reported misrepresentation of the border map of India by CIA, CNN and BBC.

SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK (PANAJI): Sir, it is very saddening to note that world famous and reputed television channels such as the Central Investigation Agency, popularly known as the CIA, the Cable Network News (CNN) and the British Broadcasting Corporation, the BBC are publishing a distorted version of the Indian map. It shows some part of the State of Jammu and Kashmir as being merged with Pakistan and China. Even an University of repute like the Texas University and a major website like the Yahoo.com is projecting a distorted version of the Indian map and claiming that to be the standard version. Even the United Nations has stated in its website that the border district of the State of Jammu and Kashmir is yet to be decided between India and Pakistan. This is a serious matter and tantamounts to demeaning the status of India at the international level. These maps are factually incorrect and has no legal sanctity and does not conform to the one that has been published by the Government of India.

Sir, I would like to appeal to the Central Government to demand an apology from all these agencies and other websites for having showing such a distorted version of the map of India and causing harm to India's image at the international level and also should ask them to withdraw such distorted version of the India map from the websites at the earliest and in the process explain the stand of the Government and the people of this country at large.