

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 392
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2021

NON-COMPLIANCE OF RULES BY TWITTER

392. DR. ANIL AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Twitter is not complying with the provisions of the new Indian IT Rules;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government propose to take legal action in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) to (c): The Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021 notified on 25th February 2021 have become fully effective from 26th May, 2021 including for additional due diligence to be followed by Significant Social Media Intermediaries (SSMI). On that day, Twitter was non-compliant. Subsequently, they have appointed Chief Compliance Officer and a Resident Grievance Officer as a contingent arrangement and have also informed the Ministry about physical contact address in India. They have also published the compliance report of June 2021.
