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Parliamentary panel asks Twitter for affidavit on geo-tagging glitch

It had suffered technical problem: Twitter representatives

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The Joint Committee of Parliament on the Data Protection Bill sought an affidavit from Twitter Inc., the United States-based parent company of the social media platform, asking them to explain why it had shown Ladakh as a part of China, a panel member said on Wednesday.

'Unsatisfactory'

The decision to seek an affi-

davit from the parent company was taken after the panel found the explanations offered by the Twitter India representatives, who appeared before them on Wednesday, to be "unsatisfactory and inadequate".

'Apologised'

Appearing before the panel that was headed by Bharatiya Janata Party MP Meenakshi Lekhi, representatives of Twitter India "apologised" and claimed it

to be a "mistake" as the app's geo-tagging had suffered a technical glitch.

"The Committee was of the unanimous opinion that Twitter's explanation on showing Ladakh as a part of China was inadequate," Ms. Lekhi told PTI after the meeting.

She said Twitter representatives told the panel that the company "respects the sensitivities of India".

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