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Speak Asia Scam – PMO asked for Investigation.

-Dr. Kirit Somaiya

The Prime Minister's Office informed BJP National Secretary, Dr. Kirit Somaiya that the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Ministry of Corporate Affairs have been asked to inquire about the functioning of Speak Asia and such other online companies. PMO took cognizance of the complaint submitted by Dr. Kirit Somaiya along with Shri Prakash Javadekar, MP Shri Hansraj G Ahir, MP. In a written response to Dr. Somaiya, PMO has informed that the complaint has been forwarded to all the concerned Ministries. PMO has asked these Ministries to inquire and take appropriate action.

In a separate response to Dr. Somaiya Ministry of Company Affairs and SEBi have intimated that they have started inquiry/investigation about the functioning of Speak Asia.

It may be noted that last month Dr. Kirit Somaiya along with Shri Prakash Javadekar, MP Shri Hansraj G Ahir, MP met the concerned officials at PMO, Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Company Affairs. In last two months various companies in the name of online survey (online company) have collected thousand crores of rupees from around 2 lakhs small investors in India. After Dr. Somaiya's complaint various departments have started investigation.

[Press Secretary]
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