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All Directors of ICAR Institutes / National Bureaux / Project Directors, National Research Centres and Zonal Coordinating Units

Sub:- Observance of Vigilance Awareness Week during the year, 2013

The Central Vigilance Commission has declared that the period from <u>28th</u> <u>October 2013 to 2nd November 2013</u> is to be observed as "<u>Vigilance Awareness</u> <u>Week</u>". The Observance of the week will commence with a pledge to be administered to all officials and staff on <u>28th October 2013</u>. This year the main focus of observing Vigilance Awareness Week is "Promoting Good Governance- Positive Contribution of Vigilance". A copy of CVC circular No. 013/VGL/082/226980 dated 25.09.2013 is attached herewith.

You are requested to make necessary arrangements at your Institute for observing the Vigilance Awareness Week during <u>28th</u> October 2013 to 2nd <u>November 2013</u>. A report about the manner in which the Vigilance Awareness Week was observed may be forwarded to the Council by <u>15th November, 2013</u> to enable us to send a consolidated report to the Central Vigilance Commission.

Yours faithfully

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<u>Circular No. 02/09/13</u> दिनांक / Dated.....

Subject:

: Observance of Vigilance Awareness Week – 2013.

Central Vigilance Commission being the premier integrity institution of country, in its endeavour to promote integrity in various Central Government offices and public sector undertakings, observes Vigilance Awareness Week every year wherein all the stake holders participate. The Commission has decided that this year the Vigilance Awareness Week would be observed from 28th October (Monday) to 2nd November (Saturday), 2013. The observance of the Vigilance Awareness Week would commence with the pledge (copy enclosed) on 28th October, 2013 at 11.00 a.m. This year the theme of observing Vigilance Awareness Week is "Promoting Good Governance – Positive Contribution of Vigilance".

2. Governance is the exercise of economic, political and administrative authority to manage a country's affairs at all levels. It consists of the mechanisms, processes and institutions through which citizens and groups articulate their interests, exercise legal rights, meet obligations and mediate differences. Without good governance, no amount of developmental schemes can bring in improvements in the quality of life of the citizens. Strengthening governance, therefore is vital and over the recent past, several initiatives have been undertaken to improve the quality of governance. However, a lot more remains to be done. Improved governance in the form of eliminating corruption by strict action in respect of tax evasions and black market economy as well as increased transparency in public procurements, is very necessary. Enforcing accountability, alongwith addressing bureaucratic delays and effective public grievance redressal mechanism is the way forward.

3. Experience has shown that increased transparency, competition, and leveraging of technology lead to decline in corruption. There is a need to institutionalise best practices and sustained efforts are required to identify and document such practices. The Commission as the apex integrity institution has therefore, been advocating transparency, fairness, equity and encouraging competitiveness as well as leveraging of technology in all areas of functioning of the Government and its organisations. Promoting good governance is, therefore, the focus of the vigilance awareness campaign this year. Vigilance administration can contribute effectively in this regard by sensitising the people at large as well as the public servants in the organisations by showcasing the positive contribution of vigilance efforts in the organisation during the year e.g. (i) if procurement is handled electronically, the savings achieved since introduction of e-procurement, (ii) if enterprise wide computerisation has been done, the outcomes thereof, (iii) systemic changes introduced etc.

4. Ministries/Departments/PSUs/Banks/Organisations are advised to consider the following activities during the Vigilance Awareness Week:-

- To display banners, posters etc, at prime locations in their offices;
- (ii) To organize seminars/workshops relevant to the theme inviting prominent faculty;
- To organize debates/lectures/essay writing competitions on moral values, ethics, good governance practices etc., amongst the employees and students in the colleges/schools in local areas and to distribute prizes;
- (iv) To bring out special issue of journals during the period; and
- (v) To request the non-government organizations, institutions and service associations in the local area to participate in the vigilance awareness campaign.

5. Public Sector Enterprises, societies and local authorities are also advised that message (pledge) may be read to Board of Directors by respective Chairman in the Board/Governing body meeting being held prior to the Vigilance Awareness Week.

6. A report on observance of the Week may be sent to the Central Vigilance Commission by 15th December, 2013 by all Departments/Organisations.

7. This notification is also available on the Commission's website at http://www.cvc.nic.in

(K D Tripathi) Secretary

Encl: As stated

To

- (i) The Secretaries of all Ministries/Departments of Government of India
- (ii) The Chief Secretaries of all States/ Union Territories
- (iii) The Comptroller & Auditor General of India
- (iv) The Chairman, Union Public Service Commission
- (v) The Chief Election Commissioner, Election Commission
- (vi) Chief Executives of all PSUs/Banks/Organisations
- (vii) All Chief Vigilance Officers in Ministries/Departments/PSEs/Public Sector/ Banks/ Insurance Companies/Autonomous Organizations/Societies.

प्रातज्ञा

हम, भारत के लोक सेवक, सत्यनिष्ठा से प्रतिज्ञा करते हैं कि हम अपने कार्यकलापों के प्रत्येक क्षेत्र में ईमानदारी और पारदर्शिता बनाए रखने के लिए निरंतर प्रयत्नशील रहेंगे । हम यह प्रतिज्ञा भी करते है कि हम जीवन के प्रत्येक क्षेत्र से भ्रष्टाचार उन्मूलन करने के लिए निर्वाध रूप से कार्य करेंगे । हम अपने संगठन के विकास और प्रतिष्ठा के प्रति सचेत रहते हुए कार्य करेंगे । हम अपने सामूहिक प्रयासों द्वारा अपने संगठनों को गौरवशाली बनाएंगे तथा अपने देशवासियों को सिद्धान्तों पर आधारित सेवा प्रदान करेंगे । हम अपने कर्त्तव्य का पालन पूर्ण ईमानदारी से करेंगे और भय अथवा पक्षपात के बिना कार्य करेंगे ।

PLEDGE

WE, THE PUBLIC SERVANTS OF INDIA, DO HEREBY SOLEMNLY PLEDGE THAT WE SHALL CONTINUOUSLY STRIVE TO BRING ABOUT INTEGRITY AND TRANSPARENCY IN ALL SPHERES OF OUR ACTIVITIES. WE ALSO PLEDGE THAT WE SHALL WORK UNSTINTINGLY FOR ERADICATION OF CORRUPTION IN ALL SPHERES OF LIFE. WE SHALL REMAIN VIGILANT AND WORK TOWARDS THE GROWTH AND REPUTATION OF OUR ORGANISATION. THROUGH OUR COLLECTIVE EFFORTS, WE SHALL BRING PRIDE TO OUR ORGANISATIONS AND PROVIDE VALUE BASED SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRYMEN. WE SHALL DO OUR DUTY CONSCIENTIOUSLY AND ACT WITHOUT FEAR OR FAVOUR.