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То

All Heads of Department in IA&AD (as per mailing list)

Madam/Sir,

Sub: Observance of Vigilance Awareness Week- 2024.

I am directed to forward herewith Central Vigilance Commission's Circular No. 024/VGL/081/36147 dated 01.08.2024 on the above subject.

- 2. The Central Vigilance Commission observes Vigilance Awareness Week every year in the week in which the birthday of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel falls. This year, the Commission has decided that Vigilance Awareness Week 2024 would be observed from 28th October 2024 to 3rd November 2024 on the theme "सत्यनिष्ठा की संस्कृति से राष्ट्र की समृद्धि" "Culture of Integrity for Nation's Prosperity." The observance of the Vigilance Awareness Week may commence with the Integrity pledge for Citizens on 28th October 2024 at 11.00 AM.
- 3. As a prelude to Vigilance Awareness Week 2024, the CVC has decided that a 3 month campaign be undertaken by all the Ministries / Departments / Organizations from 16<sup>th</sup> August 2024 to 15<sup>th</sup> November 2024 with the following five focus areas:
  - i. Capacity Building Programs
  - ii. Identification and Implementation of Systematic Improvement measures
  - iii. Updation of Circulars / Guidelines / Manuals
  - iv. Disposal of Complaints received before 30.06.2024
  - v. Dynamic Digital Presence.

A brief description of the above is given in Annexure 'A' to the said circular.

4. This campaign may be conducted, during the period from 16<sup>th</sup> August 2024 till 15<sup>th</sup> November 2024, in all offices of IAAD.



5. A report regarding the activities, in each of these 5 focus areas, undertaken by your office during this period may be sent to the undersigned in the proforma enclosed.(Ref Annexure A to the CVC's Circular), by 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2024 positively.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,

(Ritu Dhillon)

Director General (Vigilance)





## **Integrity Pledge for Citizens**

I believe that corruption has been one of the major obstacles to economic, political and social progress of our country. I believe that all stakeholders such as Government, citizens and private sector need to work together to eradicate corruption.

I realise that every citizen should be vigilant and commit to highest standards of honesty and integrity at all times and support the fight against corruption.

## I, therefore, pledge:

- · To follow probity and rule of law in all walks of life;
- · To neither take nor offer bribe;
- · To perform all tasks in an honest and transparent manner;
- To act in public interest;
- To lead by example exhibiting integrity in personal behaviour;
- To report any incident of corruption to the appropriate agency.

# (2)

# सत्यनिष्ठा प्रतिज्ञा

मेरा विश्वास है कि हमारे देश की आर्थिक, राजनीतिक तथा सामाजिक प्रगति में भ्रष्टाचार एक बड़ी बाधा है। मेरा विश्वास है कि भ्रष्टाचार का उन्मूलन करने के लिए सभी संबंधित पक्षों जैसे सरकार, नागरिकों तथा निजी क्षेत्र को एक साथ मिल कर कार्य करने की आवश्यकता है।

मेरा मानना है कि प्रत्येक नागरिक को सतर्क होना चाहिए तथा उसे सदेव ईमानदारी तथा सत्यनिष्ठा के उच्चतम मानकों के प्रति वचनबद्ध होना चाहिए तथा भ्रष्टाचार के विरुद्ध संघर्ष में साथ देना चाहिए।

अतः, मैं प्रतिज्ञा करता हूँ कि :-

- जीवन के सभी क्षेत्रों में ईमानदारी तथा कानून के नियमों का पालन करुँगा;
- ना तो रिश्वत लूँगा और ना ही रिश्वत दूँगा;
- सभी कार्य इेमानदारी तथा पारदर्शी रीति से करुँगा;
- जनहित में कार्य करुँगा;
- अपने निजी आचरण में ईमानदारी दिखाकर उदाहरण प्रस्तुत करुँगा;
- भ्रष्टाचार की किसी भी घटना की रिपोर्ट उचित एजेन्सी को दूँगा।

#### ANNEXURE A

Description of Preventive Vigilance activities to be undertaken during the campaign period (16th August to 15th November 2024) as a precursor to Vigilance Awareness Week 2024

## 1. CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS

#### (a) Initiative

A robust training system for employees is important for any organization to succeed in its objective and functioning. The Commission intends to focus on capacity building of employees who have been newly recruited in the last few years on key aspects of Preventive Vigilance. All Ministries / Departments / Organizations may conduct structured training programme for fresh inductees. Refresher training programme may also be conducted for those who have completed ten or more years of service. A list of topics to be included under these training is as below:

- i) Ethics and governance
- ii) Conduct Rules
- iii) Systems and Procedures of the organization
- iv) Cyber hygiene and Security
- v) Procurement

#### (b) Reporting format

#### Name of the Organization:

No. of officials who have received training during the campaign period on the above topics may be provided in the following format:

Period	Training name	No. of Employees Trained	Brief Description
	Fresh Inductees/		
	Refresher Course		



## 2. <u>IDENTIFICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SYSTEMIC IMPROVEMENT MEASURES</u>

#### (a) Initiative

Preventive Vigilance initiatives are key in taking a proactive approach against the menace of corruption. Towards this goal, the following action plan may be taken up:

i. All Ministries / Departments may analyze the vigilance cases of the last 05 years to identify the common areas where corruption occurs and initiate / implement systemic improvements to tackle the same,

ii. The Commission has already advised systemic improvement measures in various cases. The organizations may carry out a special drive to implement these measures.

## (b) Reporting format

## Name of the Organization:

- i) Number of vigilance cases of the past 05 years taken up for analysis. Key areas vulnerable to corruption detected based on analysis and Systemic improvements identified and implemented /under implementation. Brief details may be given.
- ii) Brief details of Systemic Improvements suggested by the Commission (pending as on 16th August 2024) and implemented during the campaign period in the following format:

Period	System Improvements		System	Improvements	
(w)	implemented	during	the	suggested o	during last 5 years
9	campaign peri	od		but pending	g for implementation
16 <sup>th</sup> August to 15 <sup>th</sup> November, 2024					

## 3. UPDATION OF CIRCULARS / GUIDELINES / MANUALS:

## (a) Initiative

In continuation to earlier instructions, all organizations should work towards identifying circulars / guidelines / manuals which are required to be updated and take necessary steps to ensure up-dation of the same and posting of same on respective websites.

### (b) Reporting format

#### Name of the Organization:

- i. Whether guidelines / circulars and manual were updated during the campaign period?
- ii. Brief details may be given.



## 4. DISPOSAL OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED BEFORE 30.06.24

## (a) Initiative

It is necessary to ensure that complaints are not kept pending and that they reach the logical conclusion within the prescribed time. All organizations may ensure that all complaints received on or before 30.06.24 may be disposed of.

### (b) Reporting format

### Name of the Organization:

SL.	Particulars	Number	Remarks, if any
No.			
1	Complaints received on or before 30.06.24 pending as on 16.08.2024		
2.	Complaints received on or before 30.06.24 disposed during campaign period		
	Complaints received on or before 30.06.24 pending as on 15.11. 2024		

#### 5. DYNAMIC DIGITAL PRESENCE

#### (a) Initiative

Citizens / stakeholders visit the website seeking details / information and therefore all organizations should be prompt in regular up-dation of their website for greater transparency and better service delivery. The organizations should follow extant Government guidelines on development and maintenance of websites (like GIGW 3.0 / RBI's Master Circular on Customer Service in Banks / Security audit). In this regard, the following action plan is to be taken up during the campaign period:

- i) During the campaign period, all organizations must make efforts to ensure that their websites are updated and contain all proper and relevant information.
- ii) During the campaign period, all organizations to identify such areas / activities which can be brought on their existing website and necessary action taken for the same.
- iii) A proper system to be developed by assigning responsibilities to all designated administrators for regularly visiting the website and providing inputs to the webmaster with due approval for modification / deletion / up-dation.
- iv) A system of submission of periodic compliance certificate with respect to website up-dation to specified authority / NIC may be introduced by the department,

#### b) Reporting format

Name of the Organization: ,

Regular maintenance and up-dation of website -Whether being done or not?

System introduced for up-dation and review of website.

Whether additional areas / activities / services brought online and if yes, details thereof.