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(Vigilance Division)

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Dated: 12th April, 2017

Sub: Vigilance Awareness Week - Integrity Pledge – regarding.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of the Central Vigilance Commission’s Circular no. 04/03/2017 dated 14th March, 2017 on the above subject. The Commission has inter-alia requested therein that all Ministries/Departments/Organisations may continue with their concerted efforts to encourage wider participation of citizens/public etc for taking the online Integrity Pledges; as only sustained effort can achieve creation of awareness of corruption and its ill – effects as well as instilling ethical values. The Integrity Pledges is available as e-pledges and can be accessed on the CVC’s website http://www.cvc.nic.in. Further details in this regard may be seen in the enclosed CVC’s letter.

2. As such it is requested to initiate vigorous efforts towards disseminating and publicising the “Integrity Pledge” amongst all employees, their families, students, citizens etc. across the country so as to elicit wider participation in their commitment to eradicating corruption.

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To

1) All Divisional Heads in Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

2) All the Regional Office/Subordinate Offices/Autonomous Organisations/Authorities/Boards and Public Sector Undertaking under the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

Copy for information to

1. PS to MOS, MoEF & CC/PPS to Secretary, MoEF & CC/PPS to JS & CVO,
2. The Secretary (Ms. Nilam Sawhney), Central Vigilance Commissions, Satarkta Bhawan, GPO Complex, Block-A, I.N.A., New Delhi.
3. NIC/IT Cell for uploading the O.M. with enclosures on the website of the Ministry of E,F&CC. as well as e-office.
Subject: Vigilance Awareness Week - Integrity Pledge - regarding.

Vigilance Awareness Week was observed by the Central Vigilance Commission from 31st October to 5th November, 2016 on the theme "Public participation in promoting Integrity and eradicating Corruption" to inculcate the values of transparency, equity and fairness in public administration and all the stakeholders are encouraged to prevent and combat corruption.

2. In line with the theme, the Commission had launched the online Integrity pledge for citizens and companies / firms, etc. An online certificate of commitment to the citizens / entities who took the pledge is also being provided. The Commission would acknowledge the support and cooperation of all Departments/Organisations which actively propagated this concept whereby the Integrity Pledge has as on date, been taken by more than 1.3 million citizens and 27,000 firms/organisations and is increasing day by day. Mass integrity pledges were also undertaken by the Public Sector Banks and other Organisations by customers/citizens in rural/semi-urban areas.

3. The Commission while conveying its appreciation to all concerned for enlist the support of employees/citizens and thereby supplementing the Commission's anti-corruption efforts, is of the considered view that this campaign needs to be vigorously continued by all Departments / Organisations to reach out to a greater cross-section of the citizens / customers / employees and public at large.

4. The Commission would therefore, request all the Ministries / Departments / Organisations to continue with their concerted efforts to encourage wider participation of citizens/public etc. for taking the online Integrity Pledges; as only sustained efforts can achieve creation of awareness of corruption and its ill-effects as well as in instilling ethical values. All organisations are requested to initiate vigorous efforts towards disseminating and publicising the 'Integrity Pledge' amongst all employees, their families, students and citizens etc. across the country so as to elicit wider participation in their commitment to anti-corruption.

[Nilam Sawhney]
Secretary

All CVOs of Ministries/Departments/CPSUs/Public Sector Banks/Insurance Companies
Autonomous Organisations /Societies etc.
Dear Sir/Madam,

Sub: Observance of Vigilance Awareness Week 2016 and e-pledge

As you are aware, the Central Vigilance Commission is observing Vigilance Awareness Week from 31st October to 5th November 2016. The theme for this year is “Public participation in promoting integrity and eradicating Corruption”. In this regard, the Commission has envisaged a concept of “Integrity Pledge” to enlist support and commitment of the citizens and organizations for upholding the highest standards of ethical conduct, honesty and integrity. As such there are two Integrity Pledges, one for the citizens and the other for corporates/entities/firms etc. especially in the private sector.

2. The “Integrity Pledges” will be available as e-pledges from 31st October 2016 onwards and can be accessed on the Commission’s website http://www.cvc.nic.in and also directly at https://pledge.cvc.nic.in. The Home page shows options for taking the pledge either “as a citizen” or “as an organization”. Further by clicking menu driven buttons and filling up some basic information, the pledge can be taken. A “Certificate” acknowledging and appreciating the commitment made by the citizen/organization would be made available at their email.

3. Since there would be lack of web access to the public especially in the remote areas, a provision of “mass pledge” has also been made. For this purpose CVO of a PSU/Bank located in the nearest city/town may be contacted for uploading the details of citizens taking the mass pledge.

4. It is requested that efforts be made to reach out to citizens and organizations including students, government servants, their families and general public to encourage them to take the “Integrity Pledge”. It is also requested that a hyperlink of the “Integrity Pledge” be provided in the website of your University/Ministry/Department and other offices to enable wider access for citizens/public to take the pledge.

Your support to this initiative would go a long way in larger participation of citizens/public in the cause of anti-corruption.

With best regards,

Yours Sincerely

(Nilam Sawhney)
Secretary

To,
All Secretaries of Ministries and Departments/Government of India