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То

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, 2014

Sir / Madam,

The Central Vigilance Commission has declared that the period from <u>27<sup>th</sup> October 2014 to 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014</u> is to be observed as "<u>Vigilance</u> <u>Awareness Week</u>". The Observance of the week will commence with a pledge to be administered to all officials and staff on <u>27<sup>th</sup> October 2014</u>. This year the main focus of observing Vigilance Awareness Week is "Combating Corruption – Technology as an enabler". A copy of CVC circular No. 014/VGL/048-262018 dated 30.09.2014 is attached herewith.

You are requested to make necessary arrangements at your Institute for observing the Vigilance Awareness Week during <u>27<sup>th</sup> October 2014 to</u> <u>1<sup>st</sup> November 2014</u>. A report about the manner in which the Vigilance Awareness Week was observed may be forwarded to the Council by <u>20<sup>th</sup></u> <u>November, 2014</u> to enable us to send a consolidated report to the Central Vigilance Commission.

Yours faithfully

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CENTRAL VIGILANCE COMMISSION



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#### Circular No. 06/09/14

### Subject: Observance of Vigilance Awareness Week – 2014.

Central Vigilance Commission being the apex integrity institution of the country has been striving to promote transparency, probity and integrity in public life. One of the outreach measures to promote these values in various Central Government offices and public sector undertakings is the observance of Vigilance Awareness Week every year wherein all the stake holders are encouraged to fight corruption. The Commission has decided that this year the Vigilance Awareness Week would be observed from 27<sup>th</sup> October (Monday) to 1<sup>st</sup> November (Saturday), 2014. The observance of the Vigilance Awareness Week would commence with the pledge (copy enclosed) on 27<sup>th</sup> October. 2014 at 11.00 a.m. This year the theme of observing Vigilance Awareness Week is "Combating Corruption – Technology as an enabler".

2. Corruption adversely affects the country's economic development and achievement of developmental goals. It promotes inefficiencies in utilization of resources, distorts the markets and compromises quality. The Commission believes that efficiency and objectivity in governance hold the key to eradication of corruption from public life and for this purpose it has to be ensured that transparent and foolproof systems and procedures are put in place which provide for appropriate accountability at every level of hierarchy in public administration.

3. Leveraging of technology in functioning of the Government and its organisations can address the challenges of corruption to a large extent. The adoption of technology initiatives can mitigate various factors which lead to corruption like lack of transparency, cumbersome procedures and delays in decision making. By re-engineering government processes, limiting discretion and enhancing accountability, departments /organisations can effectively bring about transparency and efficiency in the service delivery system which effects ordinary citizen the most. E-procurement can bring in economy and efficiency in the procurement of goods, works and services. By using information technology, the process can become faster and to that extent, the scope of corruption can be reduced. The Commission has therefore, been advocating leveraging of technology by organisations to combat corruption.

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

- (i) To display banners, posters etc, at prime locations in their offices;
- (ii) To organize seminars/workshops inviting prominent faculty;
- (iii) To organize competitive debates/lectures/essays on anti-corruption topics amongst the employees and the students in the colleges/schools and to distribute prizes;
- (iv) To bring out special issue of journals during the period; and
- (v) To request the non-government organisations, institution 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 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 by all Departments / Organisations.

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

(Salim Haque)

Additional Secretary

#### Enclosure: As stated

То

- (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 Organisations/Societies.

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 आज 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 OUR OF 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.