

## **Performance during December, 2016**

- (i) Commission advised issuance of sanction for prosecution in respect of **9** officials of various Ministries/Departments/Organizations.
- (ii) Prosecution sanctions were issued by the Competent Authorities in respect of **7** officials of various Ministries/Departments/Organizations.
- (iii) Commission advised initiation of major penalty proceedings against **161** officials of various Ministries/Departments/Organizations.
- (iv) Commission advised imposition of major penalty against **13** officials of various Ministries/Departments/Organization.
- (v) On the advice of the Commission, the Competent Authorities imposed major penalties in respect of **43** officials of various Ministries/Departments/ Organizations.
- (vi) Commission processed **624** complaints (including **36** whistle blower complaints) during the month and sought investigation report in **4** complaints from the concerned Ministries/Departments/Organizations.
- (vii) Intensive Examination of **10** works carried out by Chief Technical Examiner's Organization resulted in recoveries to the tune of **₹ 1036.71 lakh** during **December, 2016**.
- (viii) Commission provided inputs in respect of **24** cases for vigilance clearance of officials for Board level appointments in CPSE's. In addition, references of **62** officials of All India Services and Central Services were considered for vigilance clearance in matters of empanelment, promotion etc. and inputs provided by the Commission.
- (ix) **19** officers were considered for appointment/empanelment as full time/part time CVOs in various organizations and recommendations were given by the Commission.

### **Important activities:**

- (i) Shri K.V. Chowdary, Central Vigilance Commissioner addressed the participants at the Seminar on 'Facilitating a corruption free environment for achieving high growth' at New Delhi organized by CII and Vigilance Study Circle (Delhi & NCR) on 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2016. CVC called for systemic changes in the ecosystem and overhauling of administrative structures as well as strict enforcement of rules of law for striking at the root of corruption. Citing practical examples in areas such as ports, insurance, banks, land records etc, he highlighted how the opaqueness in the system spawned opportunities for corruption and encouraged intermediaries to thrive in the economy. He observed that Public procurement is an activity which is highly prone to corruption and has a serious impact on economy and industry. CVC noted that while one of the preventive strategies to fight corruption is to leverage the use of digital technology and automation, this in itself is not enough. Further, a free, fair and competitive market reduces scope for rent-seeking and discourages corruption, and at the same time, measures to deal with corruption should be participative in its approach involving the contribution of all stakeholders. He also underlined the need

for inculcating values of ethics and integrity which would help in reducing corrupt practices.

- (ii) Union Bank of India organized a seminar on Fighting Frauds: Forging Partnership between Public Sector & Private Sector on the occasion of 9<sup>th</sup> December observed as International Anti-Corruption Day. Shri K.V. Chowdary, Central Vigilance Commissioner addressed the gathering and spoke at length about various aspects of frauds. CMDs, CEOs of various Public Sector Banks and Private Sector Banks and other Executives attended the event.
- (iii) The Central Vigilance Commission's monthly lecture was delivered by Justice G.S. Singhvi, Chairman, Competition Appellate Tribunal on the topic "Ethics of the Constitution" on 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2016.

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