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Dear Secretary,

Of late there have been some disturbing incidents which call for serious introspection by civil servants. It is important that we ponder over the manner in which we discharge our duties and fulfil our responsibilities and what we need to do to refurbish our image.

2. Civil servants are appointed on the basis of a fair and open competition. We must respond in full measure to the faith that citizens have reposed in us and meet their hopes and aspirations of good governance. Integrity, honesty, objectivity, impartiality, transparency, accountability and devotion to duty are the core values which civil servants should cherish and which should form an integral part of our decisions and actions.

3. The issue of corruption needs to be addressed fairly and squarely. The Government's policy of zero tolerance for corruption must be implemented fully and effectively. Preventive vigilance should be strengthened. Transparency must be introduced in decision making and in all our systems. Stringent action must be taken against officers found guilty. Disciplinary proceedings must be expedited.

4. We need to stand by and uphold our core values. Senior officers must set an example and mentor their colleagues. The Civil Services must work wholeheartedly to provide good governance.

5. Please share these sentiments with all officers. Let us resolve to serve the nation and the citizens in a committed manner.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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To

Secretaries of all Ministries/Departments of the Government of India