

Performance during November, 2012

- (i) Commission advised issuance of sanction for prosecution in respect of **8** officials of various Ministries/Departments/ Organizations during the month which includes an IAS officer, then Principal Secretary, National Rural Health Mission (Govt. of Uttar Pradesh), one Financial Advisor & Chief Accounts Officer from Ministry of Railways and an Executive Engineer from Department of Health, M/o Health & Family Welfare.
- (ii) Prosecution sanctions were issued by the Competent Authorities in respect of **14** officials of various Ministries/Departments/ Organizations during the month which includes an IAS officer, ex-Chairman-cum-Managing Director (CMD) of the Orissa State Beverages Corporation (OSBC), two IRS officers Commissioners of Income Tax, two Indian Forest Service officers from Ministry of Environment and Forests and one IPS Officer from Ministry of Home Affairs.
- (iii) Commission processed **1993** complaints (including **80** whistle blower complaints) during the month and sought investigation/factual report in **42** complaints from the concerned Ministries/Departments/Organizations.
- (iv) Commission advised initiation of major penalty proceedings against **93** officials of various Ministries/Departments/Organizations which include a General Manager from Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (BSNL), a General Manager from Punjab & Sind Bank, a Chief Commissioner of Central Excise & Customs, Deptt. of Revenue, one Financial Advisor & Chief Accounts Officer from Ministry of Railways, a Commandant, Shasatra Seema Bal (SSB) and a Superintending Engineer from Delhi Development Authority.
- (v) Commission advised imposition of major penalty against **32** officials of various Ministries/Departments/Organizations, which include a Scientist (Grade-E), Bureau of Indian Standards, a General Manager each from Central Bank of India and Union Bank of India, one Provident Fund Commissioner of Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) and a Superintending Engineer and an Executive Engineer from Delhi Jal Board.
- (vi) On the advice of the Commission, the Competent Authorities imposed major penalties in respect of **78** officials of various Ministries/Departments/Organizations, which include a Joint Commissioner of Ministry of Railways, a Deputy Commissioner of Excise & Customs and an Union Territory Civil Services (UTCS) officer from Ministry of Home Affairs.
- (vii) Chief Technical Examiner's Organization submitted **4** technical examination reports and these examinations resulted in recovery of Rs. **3,89,50,000/-** during November, 2012.
- (viii) **32** vigilance clearances were accorded for board level appointments.

B. Important activities:

- (i) With the aim of reinforcing values in students, the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has introduced an education kit namely; **'The Value Education Kit'** which can serve as a board guideline for teachers on moral education in the presence of Shri M.M. Pallam Raju, Minister of Human Resource Development on 1.11.2012. On this occasion, addressing the participants, Shri Pradeep Kumar, Central Vigilance Commissioner lauded the initiative of launching the Value Education Kit. Speaking about the ill-effects of corruption, he said that corruption was a hurdle in our development efforts, distorted our priorities, undermined the Rule of law and encouraged underhand activities. Government funds and benefits do not reach the intended beneficiaries, with the poor being the worst sufferers. When funds meant for building schools or buying books were siphoned off, education was, in fact, being stolen from our children. CVC emphasized that value education at the school level was very important to root out the menace of corruption.
- (ii) Shri Pradeep Kumar, Central Vigilance Commissioner was the Chief Guest at the XV Convocation of Asia Pacific Institute of Management (AIM), New Delhi on 23rd November, 2012. On this occasion, addressing the participants he talked about ethical values. He also awarded the meritorious students with scholastic medals and congratulated all the students who attained education from AIM.
- (iii) Shri Pradeep Kumar, Central Vigilance Commissioner inaugurated on-line complaint lodging portal of ONGC on 27th November, 2012 for the benefit of all stake-holders, including public at large to ensure transparency in all facets of ONGC's operations. On this occasion, he also released a compendium of important case studies in ONGC.
- (iv) Shri R.Sri Kumar, Vigilance Commissioner attended XI Lok Ayukta's Conference held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on 2-4th November, 2012. While addressing the participants, he expressed his views on strengthening institutions for eradicating corruption and bringing more probity, transparency and better governance.
- (v) On 5th November 2012 a seminar on **"Transparency in Public Procurement"** was organized by the CCL Vigilance at the Indian Institute of Coal Management (IICM), Ranchi, in order to enhance the knowledge and functioning capabilities of executives of CCL. The above seminar was attended by around 250/260 executives of CCL and senior officials of other subsidiaries of CIL. Shri R. Sri Kumar, Vigilance Commissioner, CVC, who was the chief guest, deliberated on augmenting of information technology in the tendering process to make it transparent and fair. He also explained the process of reverse bidding for the benefit of the participants, explaining the concept of value for money which is the key factor in all procurement process. As an instrument of empowering the whistle blowers, he explained the concept of project VIGEYE.
- (vi) Shri J.M. Garg, Vigilance Commissioner attended 16th foundation day celebrations of Asia-Pacific Institute of Management, New Delhi. On the occasion, he said that any achievement is a result of team-efforts. In their combined mission, a concerted effort of the management, faculty and the staff provided the much-needed enabling environment for Asia-Pacific to shape students as future business leaders. He commended and wished all the students in their future endeavours.