

Performance during February, 2014

- (i) Commission advised issuance of sanction for prosecution in respect of **12** officials of various Ministries/Departments/Organizations during the month which include a Deputy Inspector General of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) and an IAS officer of Orissa.
- (ii) Prosecution sanctions were issued by the Competent Authorities in respect of **18** officials of various Ministries/Departments/ Organizations during the month which include a Member(Staff) of Ministry of Railways, an IAS officer of Jharkhand, an IAS officer of Andhra Pradesh and an IFS officer of Andhra Pradesh.
- (iii) Commission processed **2084** complaints (including **29** whistle blower complaints) during the month and sought investigation/factual report in **105** complaints from the concerned Ministries/Departments/Organizations.
- (iv) Commission advised initiation of major penalty proceedings against **81** officials of various Ministries/Departments/Organizations which include a Controller of Examination from Indian Council of Agricultural Research, a General Manager from Syndicate Bank, two Superintendent Engineers from Delhi Development Authority and one Superintendent Engineer from Municipal Corporation of Delhi.
- (v) Commission advised imposition of major penalty against **30** officials of various Ministries/Departments/Organizations, which include a Grade-C Scientist from Bureau of Indian Standards, a Director from Indian Council of Agricultural Research, a Director from The State Trading Corporation of India Ltd.
- (vi) On the advice of the Commission, the Competent Authorities imposed major penalties in respect of **35** officials of various Ministries/Departments/Organizations, which include two Commissioner's of Income Tax.
- (vii) Intensive Examination of **2** works carried out by Chief Technical Examiner's Organization resulted in recoveries to the tune of **Rs. 15,36,966/-** during February, 2014.
- (viii) Commission provided inputs in respect of **19** cases for vigilance clearance of officials for Board level appointments in CPSE's. In addition, references of **11** 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) **7** officers were considered for appointment/empanelment as full time/part time CVOs in various organizations and recommendations were given by the Commission.

B. Important activities:

1. A national seminar was organized by Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) to mark its Golden Jubilee on 11th -12th February, 2014, at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. The Golden Jubilee Celebrations were inaugurated by Shri Pranab Mukherjee, the Hon'ble President of India and presided over by Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India. Leader of the Opposition in Lok Sabha, Smt. Sushma Swaraj; Law Minister, Shri Kapil Sibal; Shri V Narayanasamy, Minister of State for Personnel and Pensions, Former CVCs and Vigilance Commissioners, Chief Vigilance Officers of Central Government Ministries, Autonomous organizations, Public Sector Undertakings and Banks, NGOs; Members of Civil Society and Media persons were also present on this occasion. A commemorative stamp of CVC was released by the Hon'ble President of India. A Coffee Table Book titled "**Untiring Eye**" was released by Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India on the occasion.

The two-day national seminar focused on the major causes of corruption in public life and the role of major stakeholders in combating it. Eminent personalities and dignitaries from different walks of life, contributing directly or indirectly to the good governance of the country took part in the panel discussions which was drawn as part of the national seminar on the theme "Combating Corruption: Role of Accountability Institutions, Investigating Agencies, Civil Society and Media". There were three Plenary sessions and four Breakout sessions on various topics during which issues relating to institutional adequacies and shortcomings, autonomy and accountability, including that of the CBI & judiciary and the need for electoral reforms & political accountability were deliberated. The sessions also covered the application of technology as an enabler and the role of the corporate sector through improved disclosure norms, governance ethics and compliance. A discussion on the role of the media and civil society as important stakeholders addressed the concerns pertaining to corporate ownership and objectivity of news reporting. The role of CVC as the apex nodal agency in enhancing inter institutional synergy and its challenges were also discussed in the last plenary session. The speakers and panelists at the seminar were drawn from various professional fields like Senior civil servants from the Central and State Governments and Public Sector Undertakings, Corporate Sector, civil society and media representatives apart from institutions like Universities, National Law School, Indian Institute of Mass Communication, etc.

The Valedictory function was held on 12th February, 2014 and Justice P. Sathasivam, Hon'ble Chief Justice of Supreme Court of India presided over the function. Former Central Vigilance Commissioners and Vigilance Commissioners were felicitated by the Hon'ble Chief Justice of India and the Minister of State for Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions. A documentary film titled "**WATCHFUL 50**" on Central Vigilance Commission produced by Doordarshan was also released to mark the 50 years of the Central Vigilance Commission.

2. Shri Rajiv, former IPS officer of 1975 batch from Uttar Pradesh cadre was administered the oath of office of Vigilance Commissioner by Shri Pradeep Kumar, Central Vigilance Commissioner on 27.2.2014. He succeeds Shri R Sri Kumar, Vigilance Commissioner who demitted office in January 2014. Before joining the Commission, Shri Rajiv served as Director General of Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) from where he retired in October, 2013. A Masters in Physics, Shri Rajiv has also served as Director General of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF).
