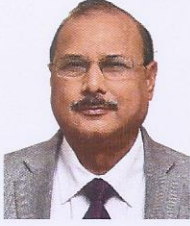




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MESSAGE

Vigilance Awareness Week is being observed from 30th October to 4th November, 2017 and our objective should be focussed on to "My Vision – Corruption Free India", which is the theme of CVC for this year.

Vigilance department in PSUs have much wider role, responsibility and objectives in addition to controlling corruption and corrupt practices. The objective of preventing corruption/malpractice is every executive's responsibility and he/she is expected to perform the functions of vigilance. Like any other role of an executive, vigilance is one. Any amount of vigilance cannot be effective and successful unless each and every executive assumes the role of vigilance. If everyone assumes the role of carrying out vigilance in its work, the country will be definitely free from corruption.

Role of vigilance department is complimentary in achieving the role of each executive in effective way. Role of vigilance department is not limited to detection of malpractices, its role is also to help to prevent the recurrence of the lapses/irregularities so that there is better technical/financial control that results in efficiency.

Corruption can be curbed if we can keep the following things in mind – i.e. identifying complex rules/procedures and simplifying the same, assisting in curtailing the discretions, enhancing transparency and fairness in action, improving accountability i.e. recording of reasons for deviations from the existing rules and regulations, encouraging devotion to duty, high level of integrity and commitment to the organisation, facilitating promotion of honesty and ethical culture, identifying major deviations made for personal gains and ensuring punishment to such personnel. Briefly, creating a corruption-free environment or ethical working culture will go a long way in reducing corruption.

Under the continuous cooperation and support of Shri Prabal Basu, CMD, the Vigilance Department has been able to bring in more transparency which will also help to combat corruption throughout the organisation, consequently leading to strong vigilance administration.

Let us come forward and participate in the programmes organised by Balmer Lawrie during Vigilance Awareness Week 2017 and make it a grand success.

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