



MESSAGE FROM CVO

This year the Central Vigilance Commission has decided to observe Vigilance Awareness Week w.e.f. 27th October to 2nd November, 2020 with the theme **सतर्क भारत, समृद्ध भारत** “**Satark Bharat, Samriddh Bharat (Vigilant India, Prosperous India).**” Although we are passing through a difficult time these days owing to Corona Virus pandemic, we shall strive to make it successful albeit observing the guidelines circulated by Govt. from time to time.

Anti-corruption efforts cannot be successful without the active participation of general public at a large. It is therefore imperative that public be made more aware of the need of becoming more vigilant. The observance of the Vigilance Awareness Week (VAW) helps in generating awareness among citizens about the menace of corruption and need to make greater efforts to combat it. Maintaining integrity at work is crucial for employees as this fosters an open and positive work environment and an ethical approach to decision making. It is important that younger generation imbibes such values which helps build a strong nation. Central Vigilance Commission is conducting a public campaign for promoting integrity, transparency & accountability in public life by organising Vigilance Awareness Week every year and has adopted a multi-pronged approach for combating corruption, comprising punitive, preventive & participative vigilance. The value of integrity in public life is reflected in the vision of zero tolerance approach to corruption and this is only possible through raising awareness and making people vigilant through numerous outreach activities.

Like previous years, this year also we are observing Vigilance Awareness Week with a noble aim to bring awareness among the public about the ill effects of corruption. Several activities for creation of awareness towards the policy of achieving transparency, accountability and corruption free governance are being organised. I call upon all the employees to actively participate in the movement against corruption to achieve the mandate of the Commission in letter & spirit.

I wish the activities being organised in connection with the Vigilance Awareness Week all success. Let us join hands and actively participate in building a “**Vigilant India, Prosperous India**” by eliminating the darkness of corruption.

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