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NOTICE

Subject:- **Revision of panel for consideration for nomination as Independent External Monitors (IEMs) in the Organizations for implementation of Integrity Pact.**

In order to ensure transparency and probity in public procurement activities, Central Vigilance Commission recommends implementation of the concept of 'Integrity Pact' (IP) in respect of all major procurement activities by government organisations. In order to ensure smooth implementation of IP, the Commission has put in place a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP). A comprehensive revised SOP has been approved and uploaded on the Commission's website, vide Circular No. 05/01/22 dated 25.01.2022. The IP envisages appointment of Independent External Monitors (IEMs), eminent and experienced persons of high integrity and reputation to oversee the implementation of IP in the respective organisations.

2. In order to ensure that only persons of integrity, adequate experience and having an unblemished service record are appointed as IEMs in any organization, the Commission is empanelling retired officers, after following due process to identify such persons. The panel of such eminent persons is updated at periodical intervals to ensure constant availability of suitable persons for nomination/appointment as IEMs.

3. Applications are invited from retired senior officers, fulfilling the eligibility criteria, as given in the **enclosed** scheme for empanelment of eminent persons for nomination / appointment as IEMs. Eligible persons (as per the terms, conditions and criteria as laid down in the enclosed scheme) are requested to submit their applications in the prescribed proforma, addressed to the Secretary, Central Vigilance Commission, Satarkta Bhawan, GPO Complex, Block-A, INA, New Delhi-110023, either in the form of a written application or through email at email ID **bo2coord1-cvc@gov.in,** upto **04.01.2023 by 6:00 PM**.

Proforma for sending particulars for empanelment for consideration as Independent External Monitor (IEMs) in the Ministries/Departments/Organizations

1.	Name (in full)	:	Please affix latest passport size photograph
2.	Father's Name	:	
3.	Date of Birth		
4.	Date of Entry into service		
5.	Date of Retirement		
6.	Service of Union of India to which the officer belong: (including batch/year, cadre etc.)		
7.	Designation/Post held at the time of Retirement. Please specify :-		

(i) If the post held at the time of retirement is Additional Secretary to Govt. of India, its equivalent or higher pay scale (officers belonging to All India Services or Group 'A' Services of Union of India, whether serving with Government of India or any State Government, are eligible)

(ii) If served as CMD of Schedule 'A' Central Public Sector Enterprises, whether the post was equivalent/ higher to Additional Secretary to Govt. of India

(iii) If served as CMD/MD & CEO of Public Sector Banks, Public Sector Insurance Companies or other Public Sector Financial Institutions

(iv) If served as Chief Executive Officer of an Organization (other than listed above), whether the post was equivalent or higher to Additional Secretary to Govt. of India.

(v) If served as Officer of Armed Forces, whether the post was in the scale of equivalent or higher to Additional Secretary to the Govt. of India.

8. Pay scale at the time of retirement:

9. Educational Qualifications:

10. Address for communication:
11. Contact Details:-

    (a) Telephone (along with STD code)
    (b) Mobile
    (c) Fax
    (d) E-mail Address

12. Details of Posts held since joining service till retirement:

Sl. No.	Organization	Designation & Place of Postings	Administrative/Nodal Ministry/Deptt. concerned (in case of officers of PSUs/PSBs etc.)	From	To

13. Brief work experience during service period:

14. Experience in handling tenders (The post and the period during which tenders were handled needs to be mentioned specifically):

S. No.	Post held	Period		Specific duties performed in respect of handling tenders
		From	To	

15. Brief of other domain experience, if any:

16. Present assignments, if any; please specify if employed full time
    (A person holding full time assignment anywhere, is not eligible for empanelment as IEM)

17. Please indicate list of organizations where your appointment as IEM may have potential conflict of interest

UNDERTAKING:-

Consequent to my empanelment, I undertake to serve anywhere in India upon being nominated and appointed as IEM.

Name & Signature

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Subject:- Scheme for empanelment of persons for nomination/appointment as Independent External Monitors (IEMs).

Central Vigilance Commission, in order to ensure transparency, competitiveness and probity in public procurement activities has recommended adoption of Integrity Pact (IP) by ministries/departments of Central Govt. and Corporations/Companies/Society and other organizations, owned and controlled by Central Govt. IP is primarily an agreement between the buyer organization and prospective vendor committing them not to indulge in corrupt practices in any manner in the purchase/procurement process. Only those bidders are considered eligible to participate in the bidding/tender process, who commit themselves to IP in respect of tenders /procurement activities above a threshold value, as decided by the organisations concerned. In other words, signing IP would be a preliminary criteria for qualification for bidders.

Central Vigilance Commission, vide its circular No. 05/01/22 dated 25.01.2022 has placed in public domain, a detailed Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for adoption of IP, available on Commission's website, i.e., www.cvc.gov.in. The SOP includes all the essential ingredients of IP.

2. The I.P. envisages an important role for Independent External Monitors (IEMs) for implementing the provisions of IP, which includes resolving issues raised by an intending bidder regarding any aspect of the tender which allegedly restricts competition or indicates a biased approach favouring certain bidders. IEMs are expected to examine process integrity and not to concern themselves with fixing of responsibility of individual officers. IEMs are required to review independently and objectively, whether and to what extent parties have complied with their obligations under the pact.

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The IEMs are also required to examine all complaints received by them and give their recommendations/views to the CEO of the organization. In case of suspicion of serious irregularities requiring legal/administrative action, the recommendations are to be given to the Chief Vigilance Officer also. Only in case of very serious issue having a specific, verifiable Vigilance angle, the matter needs to be reported directly to the Commission. The recommendations of IEMs are advisory in nature, not legally binding and the role of IEMs and CVO would remain separate and unaffected by each other.

3. In the event of any dispute between the management and the contractor relating to those contracts where Integrity Pact is applicable, in case, both the parties are agreeable, they may try to settle dispute through mediation before the panel of IEMs in a time bound manner. If required, the organizations may adopt any mediation rules for this purpose. (for details, please refer to Para 5.13 of SOP dated 25.01.2022, issued vide Ciruclar No. 05/01/22).

4. The eligible persons are to be nominated as IEMs in the organizations concerned by the Central Vigilance Commission and appointments orders of IEMs are to be issued by the competent authority in the respective organization. Central Vigilance Commission is maintaining a panel of eligible and eminent persons of integrity, for consideration for nomination as IEMs in the respective organizations, as per need. The Central Vigilance Commission invites applications from the eligible and willing persons for inclusion of their names in the panel of eminent persons for consideration for nomination as IEMs, as per following scheme:-

ELIGIBILITY

The zone of consideration of persons would consists of:-

(i) Officers who have held the post of Additional Secretary to Govt. of India or were in equivalent or higher pay scale, at the time of retirement (officers belonging to All India Service or Group 'A' Service of Union of India, whether serving with Govt. of India or any State Govt., are eligible).

(ii) Persons who have held the post of CMD of Schedule 'A' Central Public Sector Enterprises and were equivalent/higher to Additional Secretary to Govt. of India, at the time of retirement.

(iii) Persons who have held the post of CMD/MD & CEO of Public Sector Banks, Public Sector Insurance Companies or other Public Sector Financial Institutions, at the time of retirement.

(iv) Persons who have held the post of Chief Executive Officer of an organisation (other than listed above) and were in the pay scale of equivalent or higher to Additional Secretary to Govt. of India, at the time of retirement.

(v) Officers of Armed Forces, who were in the pay scale of equivalent or higher to Additional Secretaries to Govt. of India, at the time of retirement.

(vi) Age should be less than 70 years at the time of empanelment.

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SELECTION METHOD

(i) A notice inviting applications from eligible persons will be published on the Commission's website.

(ii) After due scrutiny and verification of the applications and documents by the Screening Committee, the names found eligible would be shortlisted and placed before the Commission for approval for inclusion in the panel for the purpose of nomination as and when vacancies arise or there is requirement.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

(i) An empaneled person can be nominated/appointed as IEM in a maximum of three organizations at a time.

(ii) IEMs would be appointed for a period of three years only in an organization.

(iii) Three IEMs would be nominated by the Commission in Maharatna / Navratna Companies and two IEMs would be nominated in other organisations.

(iv) A person would not be considered for nomination/appointment as IEM in the organization from where he retired or in an organization which is under the administrative control of the ministry/deptt. etc. from which the person has retired.

(v) Remuneration payable to the IEMs by the organization concerned would be equivalent to the fee admissible to an Independent Board Members in the organization. In any case, the same would not exceed Rs. 25, 000/- per sitting, per IEM. However, the maximum amount payable to each IEM with respect to sitting fee, in a calendar year shall not exceed Rs. 3,00,000/-.

(vi) Decision of the Commission for including names in the panel, based on the recommendations of the Screening Committee, shall be final and no correspondence shall be entertained from the applicants in this regard.

PROCEDURE

The proposal for nomination of IEMs in the respective organizations should be sent by the concerned department responsible for ensuring implementation of Integrity Pact in the organization, after taking approval of the competent authority. The Commission would nominate IEMs for an organization, from the panel of IEMs maintained by it.