No. 001/TRG/01 Government of India Central Vigilance Commission

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Subject: CVOs training/visits abroad - regarding.

While the Commission has always been appreciative of the need for the exposure of CVOs and officers working in vigilance set-ups in various Organisations/Departments to certain training programmes held abroad in fighting corruption in order to update themselves with the modern techniques adopted by other countries and international bodies engaged in this arduous task, it has also been insisting on ensuring that CVOs and vigilance officers attend only appropriate training programmes, which are really useful in improving vigilance administration. It had issued instructions vide Office Order No. 6/2/04 dated 3.2.2004, that the Administrative Ministry/PSEs should take prior concurrence of the Commission. Later, the Commission vide Order No. 6/2/05 dated 24.02.2005, stipulated that it would not be advisable to recommend officers for such trainings abroad, if similar programmes are available in India and that the same should have relevance to vigilance work.

- 2. Of late, it is observed that in certain cases, not only Commission's prior concurrence was not obtained for undertaking foreign visits of CVOs, but some of the visits, were for purposes which were neither relevant nor related to the vigilance work of the CVOs. The Commission has viewed these instances seriously and, would therefore, reiterate its earlier Office Orders and emphasise that Commission's prior approval should be obtained before the CVOs go on official visits abroad, either on training or otherwise. While seeking the Commission's approval, the exact purpose of the visit/details of the training programme, its relevance to vigilance work and all other relevant details should be submitted. On completion of the foreign visit, along-with their monthly report, the CVO should submit a report on the programme attended and its utility for the Commission's perusal.
- 3. In addition, the Commission has also decided that all full time CVOs would mandatorily send a copy of their tour programme of visits undertaken to places other than their headquarters in connection with official work within the country. All full time CVOs may, therefore, furnish the requisite details of official tours to the Commission together with their monthly reports to the Commission.
- 4. The above said instructions may be noted for strict compliance in future.

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