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The SDGMs,
All Zonal Railways and CORE

The CVOs,
All PUs, PSUs, Metro & RDSO

Sub: Training of Railways officers/staff

In a recently held meeting, the Vigilance Commissioner expressed the concern of the Commission about the lapses/irregularities observed in handling of tenders by the Railway officers. One of the reasons for this could be that while the number of contracts awarded is increasing regularly on account of outsourcing of services, yet, the officers handling such contracts are not properly familiar with the updated instructions/guidelines on the subject.

To overcome this problem, the Commission was of the opinion that Railways should sensitize the officers/staff who are required to handle tenders by organizing training programmes, through seminars, conduct of workshops etc. At the same time, the Commission advised that SDGMs/CVOs of the Zonal Railways Vigilance/Units, on their own, should randomly choose tender files and look into the lapses/irregularities in handling the tenders and award of contracts. Simultaneously, the SDGMs/CVOs should also suggest ways and means to address these lapses/irregularities, as deemed fit, on case to case basis.

Accordingly, it has been decided that all SDGMs/CVOs should organize regular training programmes/seminars/workshops etc. to sensitize and familiarize the officers/staff handling tenders on the latest instructions/guidelines in the matter and the pitfalls etc. to be avoided. SDGMs/CVOs should also look into tender files on a random basis and
propose corrective and preventive measures into the various lapses/irregularities that may have occurred in the handling of tenders and award of contracts.

All concerned may please take note for strict compliance.

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Director Vigilance (Mech.)
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The Advisor/CVC (Kind Attention: Ms. Parminder Kaur) with respect to item at S.No.3 of the Minutes of the meeting taken by Vigilance Commissioner (R) with Adviser (Vigilance)/Railway Board on 19.2.09 and circulated vide CVC letter No. 009/MISC/1/36942 dated 16.3.09.

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