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The General Managers,
All Zonal Railways, PUs, CORE & Metro

The CAO/DLMW, DGs/RDSO & RSC,
The Managing Directors/All PSUs

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Sub: Government of India Resolution on Public Interest Disclosure and Protection of Informer (PIDPI).

Board’s letters No.2004/V-1/CVC/1/14 dated 13.05.2004 (RBV No.10/2004) and dated 19.05.2004 (RBV No. 10(A)/2004), circulated Government of India Resolution on PIDPI. As per this resolution, the Government have authorized the Central Vigilance Commission as the “Designated Agency” to receive written complaints for disclosure on any allegation of corruption or misuse of office and recommend appropriate action in the matter. Central Vigilance Commission had recently advised us to submit investigation reports on PIDPI complaints within a period of one month from the receipt of reference of the Commission. CVC has now observed inordinate delays beyond prescribed time limit in submission of investigation reports, which is against the spirit of PIDPI Resolution. CVC has therefore, decided that, henceforth, in all cases of delays beyond prescribed time limit, exact reasons for delay in investigation / submission of reports should be stated / explained by the CVO while reporting to the Commission.

2. In order to adhere to the prescribed time limit and CVC’s directive, it is desired that the complaints received through the Commission, under PIDPI Resolution, should be assigned high priority, so that the investigation reports are submitted to Board Vigilance within a period of 15 days, to enable them to send the case to the Commission within a period of one month from receipt of the complaint. The reasons for delay in investigation and submission of report, if any, should also be clearly brought out so as to apprise the Commission. Needless to say that delay should be in rare cases only.

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3. On receipt of the complaints, under PIDPI Resolution, immediate action should be taken to obtain all the relevant papers/documents so that investigation into the complaint is commenced without any delay. Accordingly, such complaints should be registered under separate category of PIDPI complaints and their progress monitored on a day to day basis.

4. However, it may be ensured that no punitive action is taken by any concerned administrative authority against any person on perceived reasons/suspicion of being the “whistle blower.” Further action in the matter has to be taken by the administrative authority, based on the directions received from the Commission.

These instructions may be followed scrupulously.

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Director Vigilance (M)
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Copy to: The Central Vigilance Commission, {Kind Attention : Smt Shalini Darbari, Director} Satarkata Bhawan, Block 'A', GPO Complex, INA, New Delhi – 110 023 for information. CVC’s Office Order No.9/5/09 dated 12.05.2009 connects.

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