Sub: Expeditious disposal of vigilance cases involving public servants due to retire shortly

It has been noticed that vigilance cases of officials/officers near retirement are not acted upon on time leading to an embarrassing situation where the cases become time-barred. Cases of officials/officers who are retiring in the near future should be acted upon promptly and care needs to be taken to initiate Disciplinary and Appeal proceedings before the official/officer retires as any negligence on this may end up in the case becoming time-barred. Recently the Central Vigilance Commission have taken a serious view that a case had already become time-barred and the official retired, by the time the Commission’s advice was received and D&AR proceedings could be initiated. In order to overcome such situation, it is advised that while submitting the investigation report, the Zones/PUs/PSUs should clearly bring out the following information in the covering letter regarding the aspect of the case getting time barred (i) whether the suspect officials have already retired or retiring in the next one year (ii) the date on which the case becomes time barred.

Further it is reiterated that cases of retirement should be sent to Board’s office at least six months before the date of retirement of the Officials/Officers.

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(i) All Officers and the Branches of Vigilance Directorate.
(ii) AIRF, NFIR, IRPOF, FROA & AIRPFA
(iii) OSD to Hon’ble MR, MSR(M) & MSR(B)- for kind information
(iv) DME/C&IS/RB for information and uploading this letter on the website (http://10.1.10.21/railnet/deptts/vigilance/Home.htm)