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The Chief Vigilance Officers
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Sub: **System improvement regarding submission of samples in sealed condition to the Test Laboratories for testing**

One High Court in a recent judgment had quashed the orders issued by Railway Board for Banning of Business with a firm on the ground that the samples collected by the Vigilance during the course of Investigation were sent to Laboratory for testing in unsealed condition and without the seal, the authenticity of the test sample becomes disputed and it could not be said that the test result was with respect to the samples that had been taken out from the site of the work done by the firm.

It is therefore, advised that the samples taken during the course of investigation by the Vigilance officials should be sealed in the presence of the Executives and the representatives of the concerned firm or independent witnesses and the samples be sent to the Laboratory for testing in such Sealed conditions only.

The above instructions may be followed strictly.

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