No.000/VGL/18 Government of India Central Vigilance Commission

Satarkta Bhavan, Block "A" GPO Complex, I.N.A. New Delhi –110023 Dated the 3rd March 2003

To

- (1) The Secretaries of Ministries/Departments, autonomous organizations and Societies etc.
- (2) CMDs of all PSUs including PSBs.

Subject:- Delay in implementation of Commission's advice.

Reference: Commission's instructions vide Circular letter No. 000/VGL/18 dated

23.05.2000 and 003/MMT/02 dated 07.01.2003.

The Commission would like to invite the attention of disciplinary authorities to a large number of advices from it at both first and second stage pending implementation for long periods. It must be understood that a reasonable time limit for concluding and finalizing vigilance cases is already built in the procedure for disciplinary proceedings. Besides the responsibility for ensuring quick disposal of disciplinary proceedings rest with the administration and the vigilance department cannot be called in to share it at the advice implementation stage. Therefore administration must appreciate that it will be called upon to explain inordinate delay over the above the prescribed time limits for finalizing disciplinary cases. Accordingly the Commission would like to direct that subsequent to its first and second stage advice the responsibility for finalization and award of punishment passes on from the vigilance to the personnel department.

Administration may impress upon all concerned and especially the personnel departmental that in view of the shift in responsibility from the vigilance to the personnel, any delay over and above the prescribed time limits for finalization of disciplinary cases will be viewed as misconduct by the Commission and will render the concerned officials of the personnel department and others concerned liable for being proceeded from the vigilance angle with its attendant ramifications.

Kindly acknowledge receipt and confirm having taken steps for compliance of the above instructions. A copy of this letter is also being endorsed to the CVOs of the organizations for necessary followed up action.

Yours faithfully,

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