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To,

The Directors of all

ICAR Institutes/Bureaux/NRCs/Directorates/ATARIs

**Sub: Observance of Vigilance Awareness Week - 2026**

Madam/Sir,

The Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) vide its Circular No. 026/VGL/030 dated 18.09.2026 (copy enclosed) has directed that this year Vigilance Awareness Week (VAW) would be observed by all the organizations, falling within the advisory jurisdiction of the Commission, from 26<sup>th</sup> October to 1st November 2026 with the theme "सत्यनिष्ठा से समृद्धि" - "Probity for Prosperity". Accordingly, the VAW will be observed in ICAR and its units from 26.10.2026 to 01.11.2026.

(i) The observance of the VAW should commence with taking of the Integrity Pledge on 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2026 at 11:00 A.M. A copy of the Integrity Pledge [Annex-A & B, Annexure A is for Citizens whereas, Annexure B is for organizations, therefore, pledge is to be taken with reference to Annexure B only] has also been enclosed by the Commission.

(ii) Employees may be encouraged to take e-pledge (Integrity Pledge) available on the CVC's website. Also, the concept of the e-Integrity Pledge by persons with whom the organization deals may be promoted.

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(i) The CVC has advised to conduct activities relevant to the theme to bring about maximum public participation. It is imperative that all Institutes should conduct outreach programs that aim to sensitize the public about the need for transparency and integrity in public governance.

(ii) The CVC has also advised to organize, besides other activities, "Awareness Gram Sabhas" for dissemination of information regarding the menace of corruption and the different measures that the public can undertake to redress it, such as complaint portals, etc. Indicative list of activities that can be conducted as part of the "Awareness Gram Sabhas" is in Annexure C.

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(iii) The Institutes will submit the report of the activities undertaken during the VAW including the "Awareness Gram Sabhas" activities in *Annexure D* to the respective SMDs. The SMDs will send the consolidated data of their respective Institutes to the Vigilance Division.

(iv) The report of the VAW as per the aforementioned Format should be submitted by the respective SMDs to the Vigilance Division of the Council in soft copy (.docx/.pdf) by email at [sovigilance1.icar@icar.org.in](mailto:sovigilance1.icar@icar.org.in) latest by 20.11.2026. The Directors of the ICAR Units are requested to send the said reports to the respective SMDs well in time to enable the SMDs to send a consolidated report SMD-wise to the Vigilance Division.

It is expected that the VAW will be observed with full enthusiasm and the various activities will be carried out with maximum participation of the ICAR staff and involvement of the stakeholders of ICAR.

This is issued with the approval of the Director General, ICAR for information, compliance and necessary action.



(Sanjeev Kumar)

Under Secretary (Vigilance)

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Enclosures: A/a

Copy to for necessary action: -

1. All DDGs
2. Social Media & Website Management Unit, DKMA for uploading the letter on the ICAR website.

Integrity Pledge for Citizens

I believe that corruption has been one of the major obstacles to economic, political and social progress of our country.

I believe that all stakeholders such as Government, citizens and private sector need to work together to eradicate corruption.

I realize that every citizen should be vigilant and commit to highest standards of honesty and integrity at all times and support the fight against corruption.

I, therefore, pledge:

- To follow probity and rule of law in all walks of life;
- To neither take nor offer bribe;
- To perform all tasks in an honest and transparent manner;
- To act in public interest;
- To lead by example exhibiting integrity in personal behaviour;
- To report any incident of corruption to the appropriate agency

Integrity Pledge for Organizations

We believe that corruption has been one of the major obstacles to economic, political and social progress of our country.

We believe that all stakeholders such as Government, citizens and private sector need to work together to eradicate corruption.

We acknowledge our responsibility to lead by example and the need to put in place safeguards, integrity frameworks and code of ethics to ensure that we are not part of any corrupt practice and we tackle instances of corruption with utmost strictness.

We realize that as an Organization, we need to lead from the front in eradicating corruption and in maintaining highest standards of integrity, transparency and good governance in all aspects of our operations.

We, therefore, pledge that:

- We shall promote ethical business practices and foster a culture of honesty and integrity;
- We shall not offer or accept bribes;
- We commit to good corporate governance based on transparency, accountability and fairness;
- We shall adhere to relevant laws, rules and compliance mechanisms in the conduct of business;
- We shall adopt a code of ethics for all our employees;
- We shall sensitize our employees of laws, regulations, etc. relevant to their work for honest discharge of their duties;
- We shall provide grievance redressal and Whistle Blower mechanism for reporting grievances and fraudulent activities;
- We shall protect the rights and interests of stakeholders and the society at large.

List of activities for conducting "Awareness Gram Sabhas" in rural and semi-urban areas

The following is a list of indicative activities for conducting "Awareness Gram Sabhas":

1. Organize meeting in Gram Panchayats inviting all stake holders like the Sarpanch, members of Gram Panchayat, Self-Help Groups (SHGs), workers enrolled under VB-G Ram G, farmers, students, and citizens. Head of Gram Sabha / Sarpanch or any dignitary could be requested to deliver lecture on integrity and fight against corruption followed by discussion. Anti-Corruption message in vernacular languages can also be displayed at the meeting.
2. Organize competitions like quiz, cartoon, slogans painting, rangoli, posters and walkathon / marathon / cyclothon etc.
3. Organize Melas to give wide publicity to the produce / products of the SHGs as motivational tools for integrating them with awareness creation effort.
4. Organize evening Choupals / meetings in villages / panchayats during which short plays / nautankies / kalajathas / folk songs / puppet shows, etc., can be organized focusing on integrity and fight against corruption.

## Activity Report Format on Vigilance Awareness Week-2026

Name of the Organisation:

## 1. INTEGRITY PLEDGE

Table a): Integrity Pledge

| Total no. of employees who have undertaken e-pledge | Total no. of customers who have undertaken e-pledge | Total no. of citizen who have undertaken e-pledge |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
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## 2. ACTIVITIES / EVENTS ORGANISED WITHIN THE ORGANISATION

Table a): Conduct of competitions

| Name of State | City/ Place | Specify program (Debate/ Elocution/ Panel Discussion etc.) | No. of participants | Remarks |
|---------------|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------|
|               |             |                                                            |                     |         |
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Table b): Other Activities

| Sl. No. | Activities                                    | Details |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------|---------|
| 1.      | Distribution of Pamphlets/ Banners            |         |
| 2.      | Conduct of Workshop/ Sensitization programmes |         |
| 3.      | Issue of Journal/ Newsletter                  |         |
| 4.      | Any other activities                          |         |

### 3. OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

**Table a): Involving students in Schools**

| Name of State | Name of city / town/ village | Name of school | Details of activities conducted (date of activities may also be mentioned) | No. of students who participated |
|---------------|------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|               |                              |                |                                                                            |                                  |
| Total         |                              |                |                                                                            |                                  |

**Table b): Involving students in Colleges**

| Name of State | Name of city/ town/ village | Name of college | Details of activities conducted (date of activities may also be mentioned) | No. of students who participated |
|---------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|               |                             |                 |                                                                            |                                  |
| Total         |                             |                 |                                                                            |                                  |

**Table c): "Awareness Gram Sabhas"**

| Name of State | Name of city/ town/ village | Name of Gram Panchayat where "Awareness Gram Sabha" is held | Details of activities conducted (date of activities may also be mentioned) | No. of participants |
|---------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
|               |                             |                                                             |                                                                            |                     |
| Total         |                             |                                                             |                                                                            |                     |

**Table d): Seminars/ Workshops**

| Name of State | Name of city/ town/ village | No. of seminars/ Workshops organized | Details of activities conducted (date of activities may also be mentioned) | No. of participants |
|---------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
|               |                             |                                      |                                                                            |                     |
| Total         |                             |                                      |                                                                            |                     |

**4. OTHER ACTIVITIES**

| Sl. No. | Activities                            | Details |
|---------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| 1.      | Display of Banners/ Posters etc       |         |
| 2.      | No. of grievance redressal camps held |         |
| 3.      | Use of Social Media                   |         |

**5. DETAILS OF PHOTOS ENCLOSED**

(Photos may kindly be sent along with captions and also place & date of event)

| Name of the activities held | No. of Photos | Whether photos are sent in soft copy or hard copy | If in soft copy, number of CDs/Pen Drives attached |
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**6. ANY OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION, IF ANY:**

(Brief write up on the activities conducted during Vigilance Awareness Week, not more than 1000 words, may be attached in a separate sheet)