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Ministry of Human Resource Development
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Vigilance Section

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Submission of Immovable Property Return by the employees of autonomous and subordinate institutes/organizations in the Ministry of HRD.

The matter relates to submission of Immovable Property Return by the employees including faculty in all centrally funded autonomous institutions and the institutions on which Ministry has administrative jurisdiction.

- 2. Rule 18 (1) (ii) of the CCS (Conduct) Rules requires submission of Annual Property Returns by all Group "A" and "B" Officers in respect of immovable property by 31st January of each year. Normally, such a provision exists in all organizations even where they have their own conduct rules. As per guidelines issued by DOPT vide its Office Memorandum No. 11012/11/2007-Estt.A dated 27th September, 2011, vigilance clearance shall be denied to an officer if he fails to submit his annual immovable property return of the previous year by 31st January of the following year, as required under GOI decisions under Rule 18 of the Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.
- 3. All Institutes/Organization are required to circulate guidelines to all the Group "A" & "B" Officers regarding submission of IPR by 31st January, However, it has also come to notice that these guidelines are not circulated by the Institutes every year or circulated very late. Due to non-circulation of the guidelines by the institutes, officers do not submit their IPR or submit it late. This results in denial of vigilance clearance to these officers.
- 4. In view of the above, it is requested that following directions may be circulated to the Institutes/Organizations under respective Bureaus for strict compliance:
 - i. All Institutes/organizations in the MHRD should circulate, in the month of November/December, the guidelines regarding submission of IPR before 31st January of the year, to all the Group "A" and "B" officers of their organization.
 - ii. All employees including faculty in all centrally funded autonomous institutions and institutions on which the Ministry has administrative jurisdiction would submit their Property Return latest by 31st January to the competent authority. The said authority would notify on their website the fact of submission of such Return by the employees and would also name the employees on the site who fail to submit the IPR.

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- iii. Such employees including faculty who fail to submit their Property Returns within the stipulated time i.e. 31st January of every year, would be denied vigilance clearance in addition to take action under conduct rules applicable to them.
- iv. All Heads of Institutions would submit their Property Returns to the authority to whom he reports and a copy of said return to the Divisional Heads in the Department, who exercises the administrative jurisdiction over the Organization/Institution to facilitate the Divisional Heads to submit a certificate of timely submission of IPR while seeking vigilance clearance. The Bureau Head would also direct Divisional Heads in the Bureau to ensure that IPR submitted is notified on the website of the concerned Institute/organization.
- v. The Bureau Heads will issue necessary instructions to all Divisions in the Bureau for effective implementation of the above instructions.

(S.S. Sandhu) Joint Secretary & CVO

To

All Bureau Heads in the MHRD