Circular No.3/1/08

Subject: Reporting of fraud cases to police/State CID/Economic Offences Wing of State police by public sector banks.

Attention is invited to the Commission’s Office Order No.14/3/05, dated 5.4.2005 regarding the procedure to be followed for reporting of cases involving fraud to the local police/CBI. It has been brought to the Commission’s notice that the banks are facing practical difficulties in filing cases with the local police where the amount involved is too small, as no minimum amount has been specified above which cases should be referred to the local police.

2. The Commission has, therefore, reconsidered the issue and has decided that cases of financial frauds of the value of Rs. 1,00,000 and above, which involve outsiders (private parties) & bank staff, should be reported by the Regional Head of the bank concerned to a senior officer of the State CID/Economic Offences Wing of the State concerned.

3. For cases of financial frauds below the value of Rs.1,00,000, but above Rs. 10,000, the cases should be reported to the local police station by the bank branch concerned.

4. All fraud cases of value below Rs. 10,000, involving bank officials, should be referred to the Regional Head of the bank, who would scrutinize each case and then direct the bank branch concerned on whether it should be reported to the local police station for further legal action.

5. Para 3(ii) of the Commission’s Office Order No.14/3/05 dated 5.4.2005 stands amended to the above extent.

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