NOTICE

Subject:- Appointment of Independent External Monitors (IEMs) in Ministries/Departments/Organisations.

The Commission, in the year 2007, recommended implementation of a concept called ‘Integrity Pact’ (IP) in respect of all major procurements and in May, 2009 formulated a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) outlining the essential ingredients of IP. The SOP has since been modified vide Circular No. 02/01/2017 dated 13.01.2017. IP is to be implemented through Independent External Monitors (IEMs) who are eminent personalities of high integrity and reputation. The Commission proposes to maintain a panel of names for appointment as IEMs in Ministries/Departments/Organisations.

Persons fulfilling the eligibility conditions and willing to be empanelled by the Commission for being considered for appointment as IEMs as per the terms & conditions laid down in the ‘Scheme’ may submit their applications in the prescribed proforma to the Secretary, Central Vigilance Commission, Satarkta Bhawan, Block-A, GPO Complex, INA, New Delhi – 110023.
1. Name of the person (in full)
2. Father’s Name
3. Date of Birth
4. Date of Retirement
5. Date of Entry into service
6. Service to which the officer belonged including batch / year cadre etc.
7. Post held at the time of retirement (whether it is Secretary/AS rank)
8. Pay scale at the time of retirement
9. Educational Qualifications
10. Present Address
11. Contact No.
   a) Telephone (along with STD code)
   b) Mobile
   c) Fax
   d) E-mail Address
12. Positions held (during the ten preceding years of superannuation)

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<th>S. No.</th>
<th>Organisation &amp; Place of Posting</th>
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13.     | Brief details of work experience |                                                                                 |      |    |
14.     | Experience in handling procurement / tenders                                  |                                                                                 |      |    |
15.     | Brief details of any other domain experience                                   |                                                                                 |      |    |
16.     | Present assignments, if any.                                                   |                                                                                 |      |    |
17.     | Whether already an IEM? If so, name of organization(s).                        |                                                                                 |      |    |
18.     | Desired place of appointment (Please indicate city)                            |                                                                                 |      |    |
19.     | Please indicate list of PSUs in which your appointment as IEM may have potential conflict of interest |                                                                                 |      |    |

Name & Signature
Subject: Scheme for empanelment of persons for appointment as Independent External Monitors (IEMs).

In the year 2007, the Commission vide office order No.41/12/07 dt.4.12.2007 recommended implementation of a concept called ‘Integrity Pact’ (IP) in respect of all major procurements. The IP essentially envisages an agreement between the prospective vendors/bidders and the buyer committing the persons/officials of both the parties not to exercise any corrupt influence on any aspect of the contract. The Integrity Pact, in respect of a particular contract, shall be operative from the date IP is signed by both the parties till the final completion of the contract. Further, in May 2009, vide circular No.10/5/09 dated 18.5.2009, the Commission formulated a Standard Operative Procedure (SOP) outlining the essential ingredients of IP. (All the above quoted orders are available on the Commission’s website http://cvc.nic.in.

2. The main role and responsibility of IEM is to resolve issues raised by an intending bidder regarding any aspect of the tender which allegedly restricts competition or indicates bias towards some bidders. IEMs are expected to examine process integrity and not expected to concern themselves with fixing of responsibility on officers.

2. The SOP has since been reviewed by the Commission and a modified SOP has been issued by the Commission vide Circular No. 02/01/2017 dated 13.01.2017.

2. IP is to be implemented through Independent External Monitors (IEMs) appointed by the organization. IEMs would review independently and objectively whether and to what extent parties have complied with their obligations under the pact. The IEMs would have access to all information relating to procurements/contracts covered under IP and would examine all complaints received by them and give their recommendations/views to the CEO of the organisation (and to the CVO in case of suspicion of serious irregularities). The recommendations of IEMs are advisory in nature and not legally binding. The role of IEMs and CVO are separate and would remain unaffected by each other.

3. Now, the Commission proposes to empanel names for appointment as IEMs as per the following scheme:-
Eligibility:-

- The choice of IEM should be restricted to officials from the government and public sector undertakings who have retired from very senior positions. The very senior positions shall mean level of Additional Secretary to the Government of India and above or equivalent pay scale. For Public Sector Undertakings, top positions shall mean Board level in Schedule A companies, Public Sector Banks/Insurance Companies/Financial Institutions. Officers of the Armed Forces who have retired from the rank equivalent of Lt. General and above may also be considered for appointment.
- Age should not be more than 70 years at the time of appointment/extension of tenure.

Selection method:-

- A Notice inviting applications from eligible persons will be published on the Commission’s website.
- After due scrutiny and verification of the applications and documents by the Commission, the applicants will be shortlisted for empanelment by the Commission.

Terms & conditions:-

- A person cannot be appointed as IEM in more than three organizations at a time.
- A maximum of three IEMs would be appointed in any organization.
- IEMs would be appointed for an initial period of three years, which is extendable by another two years with the approval of the Commission.
- A person who is either serving or has retired from the same organization cannot be appointed as IEM in that organization.
- Remuneration payable to the IEMs by the organization concerned would be equivalent to that admissible to an Independent Director in the organization and in any case would not exceed Rs. 20,000/- per sitting.

Procedure:-

- The Commission would maintain a panel of names for appointment as IEMs, which can be accessed by all the organisations.
- On receipt of request from organization concerned for appointment as IEMs, the Commission would approve two/three names as the case may be from the panel of names.
- For extension of tenures, the organization concerned would send a request to the Commission atleast one month before the expiry of initial three year tenure.

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