Circular No. 30/10/09

Subject: Constitution of Committee of Experts for scrutiny of prosecution sanctions.

Central Vigilance Commission, in accordance with the power conferred upon it vide section 8(1) (f) and (h) of CVC Act, 2003, tenders advice in respect of officers coming under its jurisdiction against whom the Central Bureau of Investigation, after investigating the case, has recommended sanction for prosecution.

2. On a few occasions, where the Commission has, in agreement with the CBI's recommendations, advised sanction for prosecution against a public servant, the disciplinary authority, in disagreement with the CBI's recommendations, approaches the Commission for reconsideration of its advice.

3. In accordance with the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions (Deptt. of Personnel & Training) vide O.M. No. 399/33/2006-AVD-III dated 6/11/2006, a committee of experts is to be set-up by the Central Vigilance Commission (with experts drawn from civil services, public sector undertakings and banks) to examine such reconsideration proposals received from various ministries/departments/organizations.

4. Accordingly, the Commission had initially constituted a panel of experts of six eminent persons, for scrutiny of reconsideration proposals where the Commission and CBI have advised sanction for prosecution against the suspected public servants vide its circular no 17/5/07 dt. 13th June 2007. The tenure of the said Committee of experts which was for a period of two years was last extended vide Commission's circular no 25/8/09 dt 28th August,2009 upto 31/10/2009. The Commission has decided to reconstitute the panel of experts with effect from 01/11/2009 with the following persons:-

1. Shri M.M.K. Sardana, IAS (Retd.).
2. Shri Naresh Narad, IAS (Retd.).
3. Shri R.C. Aggarwal, IPS (Retd.) DG, ITBP.
4. Shri A.P. Bhatnagar, IPS (Retd.).
5. Shri S.R. Mehra, IPS (Retd.)
6. Shri J.S. Juneja, (Retd.) Chairman, NSIC.
7. Shri Rohit M. Desai, (Retd.), ED, Indian Overseas Bank.
8. Shri Gautam Kanjilal, (Retd) Chief General Manager, SBI.
5. Depending upon the nature of the case, a committee consisting of three members including the Chairperson shall examine the CBI recommendation and the tentative view of the Ministry/Department concerned in greater detail. The committee shall consist of two members drawn from the panel of experts and one of the Vigilance Commissioners in the Commission would chair the meeting. In the light of the expert committee's recommendation, the CVC would render appropriate advice to the competent authority within 15 days of the meeting of the committee.

6. The tenure of panel of experts would be for a period of two years. The terms and conditions would be as indicated in the annexure.

7. The meetings of the committee would be held in Delhi. Central Vigilance Commission would provide the required secretarial services along with the necessary funds to meet the expenditure to be incurred regarding the meetings of the committee.

(K S Ramasubban)
Secretary

To

1. Members of the Committee of Experts.
2. Shri Shantanu Counsel, Secretary, DoPT, North Block, New Delhi
3. Shri Ashwani Kumar, Director, CBI, North Block, New Delhi
4. All Chief Vigilance Officers
Terms of appointment of the Committee of Experts:

1. **Period**
   
   The term will be for a period of two years.

2. **Honorarium**
   
   An honorarium of Rs. 3000/- (Three thousand only) per day would be paid to the members.

3. **Secretarial Assistance**
   
   Secretarial assistance would be provided by the Commission as per requirements.

4. **Fare, Transport & Accommodation**
   
   The fare, transport and accommodation would be provided by the Commission as per entitlement of the members.