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Dated 12.02.2020

To

The Directors/Directors-in-Charge,
Of all permanent Institutes/Centres
Of ICMR.

Subject: - Adherence to Government Rules & Regulations -- reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to send herewith a copy of A1/4/1/2020 dated 24.01.2020 endorsed therewith a copy of circular No. C-31011/14/2019-Vg. Dated 4th December, 2019 on the subject mentioned above issued by Deptt. Of Science & Technology, M/o Science and Technology, New Delhi for compliance of advice/instructions/measures cited in the circular.

Yours faithfully,

(Agnes Xalxo)

Dy. Director General (Admn.),
for Director General.

Encl: - As above.

- Copy to : 1. PS to DG/PS to Addl. DG/PS to Sr. DDG (A)/PS to Sr. FA
2. Dy. Director General (Admn.)
3. Dr. L.K.Sharma, Scientist-E – soft copy of the same has been mailed at your email ID (sharma.lk@icmr.gov.in) for website upload.

Secretary (DHR)
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Date 6.2.20

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Ministry of Science and Technology
Department of Science & Technology

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Date 6/02/2020

D.G. ICMR OFFICE
Diary No. 544556
Date 7/2/20

Technology Bhawan,
New Mehrauli Road,
New Delhi-110016.
Dated 24.01.2020.

To,
(All the members of Governing Body/ Governing Council of
Autonomous Body under DST)

Sub: Adherence to Government Rules & Regulations-reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of PV Circular-1/2019 No.C-31011/14/2019-Vig dated 04.12.2019 received from Vigilance Section (DST) for the compliance of advice/instructions/measures cited in the above Circular.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]
(Thingom Lalit Kumar)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Encl: As above.

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New Mehrauli Road,
New Delhi - 110016
Dated the 4th December, 2019

PV Circular - 1/2019

Subject : Adherence to Government Rules & Regulations.

In the recent past, the Comptroller & Auditor General of India in its report on the administrative functioning of autonomous bodies under the Department of Science & Technology has pointed out several irregularities in their functioning. Some of these have resulted in complaints in the vigilance side. The allegations pertain to complicity of DST officers in giving irregular extension beyond the date of superannuation, retrospective promotions, advance increments, unauthorized allowances etc. ✓

2. Many of these allegations have led to litigation in courts of law where the vigilance side had to defend the decisions involving these irregularities. While no vigilance angle was found to be involved in these cases, a strong need has been felt to plug loopholes as a preventive vigilance measure which may have the potential to lead to vigilance cases in future.

3. All autonomous and other organizations/attached offices functioning under the administrative control of this Department are substantially funded by the Govt. of India and are therefore required to abide by all norms of the Govt. as public money is involved. It is held that autonomy of such bodies do not give license to its Governing council/bodies to take arbitrary decisions in administrative matters such as the ones cited above. This applies to all other matters which are subject to audit or vigilance review. It is imperative to emphasize that such powers are not unfettered and must invariably be in line with prescribed rules and procedures. In this respect, the responsibilities of Govt. nominees who represent the Department in these GB/GC become even more onerous so as to ensure adherence to Govt. norms.

4. The vigilance side as a measure of preventive vigilance, advises that all autonomous bodies, other organizations/attached offices and Govt. nominees must invariably ensure that all Govt. rules, regulations, guidelines and

procedures must be followed uniformly across all such organizations. The administrative divisions also must ensure that the by laws/rules of all such organizations must be framed/amended on these lines. All powers of relaxations and discretion must invariably be exercised by the level and to the extent prescribed by the Govt. It may be kept in view that henceforth, complaints generated on the use unauthorized or arbitrary exercise of discretionary powers by any individual or body can always have the potential to eventually lead to a vigilance case. Also, in case any audit para or report has pointed out any irregularity, it will be the duty of that organization to ensure that the same is brought in tandem with Govt. rules and the loophole is plugged to prevent any repetition.

5. All concerned are advised to adhere to the measures cited above. This issues with the approval of Secretary, DST.

(Akhlesh Gupta)

Chief Vigilance Officer & Sc 'G'

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2. Sr.PPS to Secretary, DST/AS * FA
3. Secretary, Central Vigilance Commission for information
4. Head (AI) for wider circulation amongst members of GB/GC of AIs
5. Director (SMP) for circulation amongst Survey of India and NATMO
6. Heads of all divisions/JS(Admn)

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