

Vigilance Awareness Week-2024

28 October – 03 November, 2024

Message from CVO (Part-Time), IEST Shibpur
on the occasion of an event held on 29th October 2024

: Theme :

"Culture of Integrity for Nation's Prosperity".

Every year, the week in which 31st October, the birthday of late Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel falls is observed as Vigilance Awareness Week. The observance of Vigilance Awareness Week renews our commitment to achieve the goals of promoting integrity, transparency and accountability in public life. Vigilance Awareness Week emphasizes the generation of awareness among the people as a more effective and sustainable means of fighting corruption and promoting integrity among public servants.

This year, **"Culture of Integrity for Nation's Prosperity"** has been chosen as the theme for the Vigilance Awareness Week. On this occasion, an event was organised at I.I.E.S.T., Shibpur on **29th October 2024**. The event was chaired by the Hon'ble Director of IEST Shibpur and Chief Guest was Mr. Utpal Saha, CVO(HQ), S.E. Railway. After inaugural addresses, **Integrity Pledge** was taken by the stake holders of the institute. An elocution/speech competition by the students was held and prizes had been given away by the S.E. Railway. It was followed by the speeches from employees of the institute. The event was held in the alumni seminar hall of the institute with large participation.

From the deliberations by the participants, it was noted that preventive and participative vigilance by inspiring the young generation to lead a life that combines righteousness and honesty is much more effective to maintain integrity and eradicate corruption in the society from its root, than to take recourse to the punitive action after the nuisance has already been committed.

As per **Buddha's** lesson, even **"small acts"** or **"small deeds"**, when performed with intention and mindfulness, can have a profound impact on one's life and the society at large. Like charity, **'integrity'** also begins at home. Hence it is felt that **integrity** i.e. 'adherence to honesty' must be followed in bringing up of every child from the family level. Education plays a crucial role in balancing the socio-economic fabric of the country and achieving a better quality of life for its citizens. At least in some stages of education, every citizen should learn about Indian Constitution and polity also.

Although various anti-corruption agencies strive to address the problem of corruption, their efforts cannot be accomplished without the active participation of all the stakeholders with their integrity in all activities to eliminate corruption to achieve economic growth and prosperity of the country.

Note: The employees may also take **integrity pledge** as an organization in 3 easy steps on the [Commission's website](#) in regional languages and certificates may be autogenerated.

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