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Sub: Short-term arrangements in the Posts of CVO- Clarification reg.

In order to ensure that vigilance administration is not adversely affected by unforeseen situations of vacancy in the posts of CVO, the relaxation from consultation with the Commission for 'short-term arrangements' has been restored in Para 2.8.1 of the Vigilance Manual (updated 2021) vide Commission's OM of even number dated 24.03.2022 (copy enclosed). The ibid OM specifically clarifies that the relaxation would be applicable for such posts of CVO which are **not filled by the DOPT.**

2. Notwithstanding the above-said clarification, instances have been reported regarding use of the ibid relaxation for short-term arrangements against DOPT-appointed CVO posts, in deviation from the DOPT OM dated 28.04.2017. Keeping this in view, the Commission has decided to incorporate clarification to this effect in the 'restored' **Para 2.8.1** of the Vigilance Manual (updated 2021), and thereby modify it as under:

"Suitable arrangements in vacancies for not more than three months may be made by the appropriate authority concerned, for such posts of CVO which are not filled by DOPT, without prior approval of the Commission. The nature and duration of vacancy and the name of the officer who is entrusted with the duties of CVO should, however, be reported to the Commission. As regards posts filled by DOPT, the guidelines laid down in its OM No. 372/7/2016-AVD-III dated 28.04.2017 will prevail."

3. It may be noted that under normal circumstances the administrative Departments/Ministries will complete the process of consultation with the Commission, well in advance of occurrence of vacancies in CVO posts, and the 'relaxation' for 'short-term arrangements' would be used only under unforeseen circumstances. Further, whenever the relaxation is used, the concerned administrative Departments/Ministries will be responsible for submitting formal proposals, complete in all respect, to the Commission for regular arrangements positively within 06 weeks of occurrence of such vacancies.

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