VIGILANCE (E) DEPARTMENT
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Sub:— Vigilance Department — Speedy disposal of Vigilance Cases — Instructions issued.

It has been noted that there is considerable delay in disposing vigilance cases. This question was discussed in a meeting convened by the Chief Minister with Secretaries to Government, Heads of Departments and Vigilance Officers of various Departments. The following instructions are issued for speedy disposal of vigilance cases.

(i) **Special attention will be paid to cases against Senior Government Officers, particularly those under suspension for more than one year.**

(ii) **Arrangement shall be made by the concerned Departments themselves to conduct enquiries in to allegations of the administrative or cases of corruption which are easily established and which do not involve questioning of a large number of witnesses.**

(iii) **One of the senior-most officers of the Department shall be designated as Vigilance Officer and he shall be entrusted with the responsibility of vigilance work in the Department. He should be given powers to call for all files in the Department and go on tour to inspect the Subordinate Offices and Project Sites. The reports of Vigilance Officers shall be examined by the Head of Department and suitable disciplinary and administrative action taken without delay. In cases of a serious nature, the Head of the Department may take up such cases with the Secretary of the Administrative Department for appropriate action.**

All Secretaries to Government, Heads of Departments are directed to take action on the above matters on a priority basis,

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Chief Secretary to Government