

# Vigilance Awareness Week – Inauguration



The inaugural ceremony of Vigilance Awareness Week was held in Training centre on 31.10.2016. The programme started with lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries. Ms. Divya N of Phase III chanted the initial prayer. Shri BHV Prasad, GM I/c HR welcomed the gathering.

Vigilance Pledge was administered by Shri A K Sahoo, Director (F) in Hindi, Shri M Venkatesh, Director (R) in Kannada, and by Shri H Kumar, Managing Director in English. The Vigilance Awareness Week messages from President, Vice President, Prime Minister, Home Minister, Finance Minister, MoS (I/c) PM's Office, CVC and Cabinet Secretary, GOI were read out by GGMs and the heads of collectives.

Shri K Upendra Rao, DGM Vigilance gave an insight into the programmes planned for the week. He also apprised about the programmes on DD & All India Radio. Vigilance Souvenir 'Paradarshak' was released by the Chief Guest Shri Arala Rajendra Shetty, Retd Principal, SDM Law College during the programme. He also activated the Vigilance link on MRPL Net. Shri Prahlad U, Manager – IS briefed about the new link in MRPL Net about Vigilance.

Shri Y Ravindranath, ITS, CVO spoke on the occasion and said that the offence of corruption is done not only by the person receiving the bribe but also by the person who offer bribe. He highlighted the directions from CVC about the public participation in the fight against corruption. Vigilance Souvenir with excellent articles has been brought by the department, he said and complimented those who supported in bringing out the book.

Shri M Venkatesh, Director Refinery said that the opportunities and avenues have been provided to raise a complaint. But the complaint should be factual, he said. There could be mistakes while doing a job but one should raise his/her level, be transparent and lead the organisation, state and the country to prosperity, he said.

Shri AK Sahoo, Director Finance while speaking on the occasion said that the corruption is a disease. But for this disease we ourselves are the best doctors and our change in attitude is the medicine for the disease, he felt.

Shri Arala Rajendra Shetty, Chief Guest of the programme said that today there are two issues which are bothering our society, they are integration and eradication. Mahatma Gandhi had a vision for our country that the truth and honesty should not become casualty at any cost, so be courageous and try to be honest, he said. He further said that we should create an atmosphere of trust and understanding around us and should respect others. We should integrate amid diversity of issues among us, he felt. Try to break barriers and at times fold your umbrella and dance in the rain, he concluded.

Shri H Kumar, our Managing Director complimented CVO and Vigilance Dept. for bringing out 'Paradarshak' the Vigilance Magazine with good articles in it. He wished them good luck to carry out various activities during the week successfully. He said that value systems are picked up by children during 5 to 12 years of age, children should be groomed to a stage that they should question their parents about the valuables received or gifted. The direct benefit transfer scheme by the Govt. is a very big scheme towards transparency. This direct benefit transfer need to be extended to Kerosene, fertilizers and MNREGA too, he felt. Media and RTI are the powerful tools in curbing corruption, he said. He concluded by quoting Rabindranath Tagore's words - 'Into the heaven of freedom, my father, let my country awake'.

Ms Lekshmi Kumaran, GM - HR & SDC proposed the vote of thanks. Shri Suresh Nagavolu, Manager - Vigilance compered the programme.





