

Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue
Central Board of Direct Taxes

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To,
All Principal Chief Commissioners of Income Tax (CCA)
All Directors General of Income Tax (Investigation)
All Chief Commissioners of Income Tax (Central)

Sub: Reward Scheme for departmental officers and staff – matter regarding

The undersigned is directed to say that the reward scheme for departmental officers and staff is in existence since 1985. The Scheme has been revised from time to time. The latest Scheme is contained in Board's F. No. 287/79/2005-IT (Inv. II) dated 30.5.2007 (copy attached). This provides for reward to departmental officers and staff for performance of the standard prescribed in the said guidelines issued by the Board in the following areas of work:

- (i) Scrutiny assessment u/s 143(3) and 147 of Income Tax Act, 1961
- (ii) Search & seizure operation u/s 132 of Income Tax Act, 1961 and assessments in consequence of such search & seizure
- (iii) Survey u/s 133A of Income Tax Act, 1961 and assessments in consequence of such surveys
- (iv) Representation of best cases in Income Tax Appellate Tribunal

2. It is seen that the proposals submitted for rewards to officers and staff in all these areas are very few. The few proposals that are submitted are also mostly related to search & seizure only. One of the reasons for this may be lack of awareness among officers and staff. It is felt that when the Department is taking all possible steps to increase collection of revenue, the reward scheme may be given wider publicity so that officers and staff across the Department are aware of the incentive.

3. Further, it is seen that reward-proposals are submitted after expiry of long period as a result of which processing becomes difficult due to, inter alia, non-availability of relevant records.

4. In that view of the matter, the undersigned is directed to it is request that the Reward Scheme for departmental officers and staff may be given widest possible publicity in your jurisdiction and reward proposals may be submitted and processed expeditiously.

5. This issues with the approval of the Member (Investigation)

Yours faithfully,

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Encl: As above

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