

Integrity Pact – Appointment of Independent External Monitor

It is proposed to introduce Integrity Pact concept in IWAI for projects/ contracts worth more than Rs.1 Crore. A sample Integrity Pact document is enclosed. ([Enclosure I, II, III](#))

The Pact essentially envisages an agreement between the prospective vendors / bidders and the buyer committing the persons/officials of both the parties, not to exercise any corrupt influence on any aspect of the contract. Only those vendors/bidders who have entered into such an Integrity Pact with the bidder would be competent to participate in the bidding. In other words, entering into this Pact would be a preliminary qualification. The Integrity Pact in respect of a particular contract would be effective from the stage of invitation of bids till the complete execution of the contract.

Integrity Pact envisages a panel of Independent External Monitors (IEMs) approved for the organisation. The IEM is to review independently and objectively, whether and to what extent parties have complied with their obligations under the Pact. He has right of access to all project documentation. The Monitor may examine any complaint received by him / her, and submit a report to the Chairman, IWAI, at the earliest. He may also submit a report directly to the CVO and the Commission(CVC), in case of suspicion of serious irregularities attracting the provisions of the PC Act. However, even though an Integrity Pact may cover a contract, the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) may, at its discretion, have any complaint received by it relating to such a contract, investigated.

In this context, it is proposed to prepare a panel of eminent persons of high integrity and repute and having experience in the field of Inland Water Transport (IWT) Sector for consideration and approval by the CVC as Independent External Monitor(s) for IWAI's projects / contracts.

Interested persons may send their CV / Bio-data ([Enclosure IV](#)) to the Chairman, IWAI latest by 31th, August, 2008.

Secretary & CVO