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MESSAGE

I am happy to learn that the Central Vigilance Commission is observing Vigilance Awareness Week from October 26 to October 31, 2015.

Corruption affects the growth of a nation, reduces the Government's income and creates inequalities in distribution of income and wealth. It is a major factor hindering development. It is critical that awareness is generated and public opinion developed on the evils of corruption. Corruption needs to be treated like a disease and focus should be on prevention. It is appropriate that the Commission has adopted the theme of "Preventive Vigilance as a tool of Good Governance" for the current year. The measures adopted for Preventive Vigilance would help not only reduce corruption but also contribute towards good governance by way of increasing efficiency, transparency and adherence to rule of law. I am happy that the Central Vigilance Commission is also focussing on students and youth for creation of awareness against corruption and promotion of good governance.

I extend my greetings to all those associated with observance of the Vigilance Awareness Week, 2015. Let us reaffirm our commitment to make India corruption free and engage in ceaseless efforts to achieve this goal.

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