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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Sl.No.	Questions/replies
01.	<p>Question :Please give brief background of Anti-Corruption Branch, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.</p> <p>Reply : The Anti-Corruption Branch is an attached office of the Govt. of NCT of Delhi. It functions under overall guidance and supervision of the Directorate of Vigilance, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.</p>
02.	<p>Question: What are the responsibilities of Anti-Corruption Branch?</p> <p>Reply: The Anti-Corruption Branch is responsible for collection of intelligence, conducting, enquiries into complaints about bribery and corruption, investigation and prosecution of offences pertaining to bribery and corruption and carrying out tasks relating to preventive aspects of corruption.</p> <p>It handles all cases registered under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and other similar Sections of the Indian Penal Code.</p>
03.	<p>Question: What are the criteria for constitution an offence of bribery?</p> <p>Reply: for constituting an offence of bribery, the following must satisfy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The person involved in the corrupt act must be a public servant and should be discharging his official duties; all others involved in bribing a public servant, either directly or as agents, are also culpable.- The public servant should have demanded or accepted an amount illegally to either perform or not to perform a job he was duty bound to perform.- Obtaining of something valuable by a public servant from a citizen, while discharging official duties, is also bribery.- Acquisition of assets disproportionate to their known sources of income.- Misuse, of his official position by a public servant by showing undue favour to obtain pecuniary advantage.

04. **Question : Is there any separate Police Station where a citizen can lodge a complaint against the corrupt Govt. Employee?**

Reply : The Anti-Corruption Branch, GNCT of Delhi has been designated as a Police Station where a citizen can lodge complaint for:-

- (i) Offences under the Prevention of Corruption Act (No.49), 1988 and,
- (ii) Attempts, abetment and conspiracies in relation to or in connection with the aforesaid offences and any other offence committed in the course of same transaction arising out the same set of facts.

05. **Question:What is the address of Anti-Corruption Branch, Govt of NCT of Delhi?**

Reply: Address: Anti-Corruption Branch, Govt of NCT of Delhi,
5th Floor, Vikas Bhawan-II, Upper Bela Road, Delhi-110054.

06. **Question : What is the procedure of dealing with the complaint in ACB.**

Reply : Every complaint from whatever source received is entered in a complaint register. Information received verbally is reduced in writing and similarly dealt with. Each complaint is examined to determine whether it requires action by the Anti-Corruption Branch or should be referred to the departmental authorities concerned for disposal or should be filed. Ordinarily, no enquiries are made by the Anti-Corruption Branch in the following categories of information or complaints, except for special reasons:-

- (i) The allegations are so trivial or insignificant that they can be left to the departmental authorities to deal with.
- (ii) The allegations relate to minor service matters which can appropriately be looked into by the departmental authorities.
- (iii) The allegations are quite vague.
- (iv) The allegations relate to ordinary crime which can be dealt with by the local police.

07.	<p>Question : Categories of Information or complaints to be considered for starting enquiries in ACB.</p> <p>Reply : The following categories of information or complaints may be considered fit for starting enquiries if there are adequate grounds for doing so after preliminary verifications.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Specific complaints against employees of the Delhi Government, containing allegation of corruption and misconduct, received from official sources or from public organization and concerns or from persons who can be traced and examined. (ii) Specific allegations of bribery and corruption or of serious misconduct, negligence or irregularity.
08.	<p>Question : Who has power to investigate the complaint under Prevention of Corruption Act (POC Act).</p> <p>Reply : Inspectors of Police working in the Anti-Corruption Branch of the GNCT of Delhi are authorised to investigate any offences punishable under the said Act and make arrest therefore without a warrant.</p>
09.	<p>Question : Who is competent to register FIR in case of corruption?</p> <p>Reply : The Anti-Corruption Branch, GNCT of Delhi is competent to register FIR in all cases under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 against a public servant.</p>
10.	<p>Question: What is the role of a complainant after registration of FIR by the Anti-Corruption Branch?</p> <p>Reply: After registration of FIR, ACB conducts investigation and file final report/charge-sheet in the court and the complainant acts a prosecution witness, if required.</p>
11.	<p>Question:How many Special Courts have been constituted for trial of corruption cases in the NCT of Delhi?</p> <p>Reply: Two Special Courts have been constituted under Prevention of Corruption Act for trial of corruption cases launched by ACB, GNCTD .</p>
12.	<p>Question: Is there any fees charged for filing complaint in the Anti-Corruption Branch?</p>

Reply: No fees is charged.

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Question: *What is timings for filing complaint in Anti-Corruption Branch?*

Reply: A citizen can file complaint at any time either in personal or telephonically in Anti-Corruption Branch.

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Question: *What is the contact nos. if a citizen wishes to give complaint over telephone?*

Reply: Duty Officer, Anti-Corruption – Ph: 23812905-06

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Question : *Is there any other department/authority where a citizen can lodge complaint for corruption against public servant?*

Reply : Yes, a citizen can also file complaint for corruption in Directorate of Vigilance, Govt. of NCT of Delhi

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Question: *If yes, what is its address ?*

Reply: Secretary-cum-Director (Vigilance), Directorate of Vigilance, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, 4th Level, Delhi Secretariat, New Delhi-110002

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Question: *What is procedure for dealing/disposing of complaints in Vigilance Department, Govt. of NCT of Delhi?*

Reply: A Complaint Handling Committee has been constituted in this Directorate, to deal with the corruption complaints in the following manners :-

1. Each complaint received in the Directorate of Vigilance (Vigilance Division/Anti Corruption Branch) is given a unique number.
2. Each complaint is examined thoroughly by the C.V.O. or any officer/official authorized by the C.V.O. or by any such Committee constituted for the purpose in Directorate of Vigilance.
3. Complaints containing vague, non-verifiable/general allegations may either be filed at the level of the Directorate or forwarded to the concerned departments for action as deemed fit.
6. complaints which are anonymous/pseudonymous are filed.
7. To ascertain that complaint is pseudonymous, efforts are made to contact the complainant either by sending a letter to him on the address given in the

complaint or to contact him on telephone if such number is mentioned in the complaint. Further, action is taken only after confirmation is obtained that a particular person had made a particular complaint.

8. As far as possible, the identity and details of the complainant are kept secret unless the complainant has himself chosen to reveal his identity.
9. Depending on the nature and scope of the complaint, generally the inquiry is completed within 03 months.

18. **Question: Who are the concerned authorities to contact in case of bribe is demanded by the government employee ?**

Reply: If any government official demands bribe, it may be reported to:

Secretary-cum-Director (Vigilance), Directorate of Vigilance, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, 4 th Level, Delhi Secretariat, New Delhi-110002	23392075 23392353 (Fax No.)
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Jt. CP/Addl. Commissioner of Police Anti-Corruption Branch, Govt of NCT of Delhi, 5 th Floor, Vikas Bhawan-II, Upper Bela Road, Delhi-110054.	23812907 23812922(Fax)
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DCP (Anti-Corruption Branch)	23815906 23812916
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Duty Officer (Anti-Corruption Branch)	23812905-06
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Anti-Corruption Helpline-1031