



CENTRAL VIGILANCE COMMISSION : POLITY

NEWS: *Maximum graft complaints in 2023 against rail, Delhi local bodies, PSU bank staff, shows Central Vigilance Commission report*

WHAT'S IN THE NEWS ?

CVC report shows highest corruption complaints against railway employees, Delhi local bodies, and public sector banks in 2023

CENTRAL VIGILANCE COMMISSION

Establishment	Appointment	Removal	Tenure	Salary	Report submission
<p>1) Established by : originally in 1964 by executive resolution of the central government.</p> <p>2) Recommend by Santhanam committee</p> <p>3) In 2003 parliament gave statutory status by enacting law prevention of corruption act</p> <p>4) Members: chairperson +2 members</p>	<p>President by warrant under his hand and seal</p> <p>On recommendation of</p> <p>1) PM 2) Home ministry 3) Leader of opposition in LS</p>	<p>President</p> <p>1) Insolvent 2) Convicted offence for moral turpitude. 3) Paid outside the employment. 4) Infirmity of mind & body. 5) If he has acquired financial or other interest. 6) Misbehaviour or incapacity proved in Supreme Court(binding on president to remove)</p>	<p>4 years or until the age of 65</p> <p>Not eligible for further employment</p>	<p>Chairman: as chairman of upsc</p>	<p>President</p>

Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) Report - 2023

- **Total Graft Complaints:** 74,203 complaints were received against all categories of officers/employees, with 66,373 disposed of and 7,830 pending.
- **Sector-wise Complaints:**
 - Highest number of complaints against railway employees, followed by Delhi local bodies and public sector banks.
 - **Railway Employees:** 9,881 complaints disposed of, 566 pending.



Corruption in India

- **Definition:** Bribery or misuse of public office for personal gain.
- **Global Ranking:** India ranked 93 out of 180 countries on the Corruption Perceptions Index (2023).

Government Initiatives to Combat Corruption

- **Prevention of Corruption Act (1988):** Criminalizes bribery and has been amended to address emerging challenges.
- **Right to Information Act (2005):** Empowers citizens to seek information from public authorities.
- **Digital India Program:** Aims to improve governance and reduce corruption through technology.
- **e-Governance:** Online platforms minimize bureaucratic delays and opportunities for corruption.
- **Whistleblower Protection Act (2014):** Provides protection to individuals exposing corruption.
- **Government e-Marketplace (GeM):** Ensures transparency in public procurement.
- **Anti-Corruption Units:** Various states have set up their own anti-corruption bureaus and vigilance commissions.

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