A workshop on sharing of experience in ‘Leveraging Information Technology for Transparency’ was organized on 16th July 2013 at IRCON Corporate Office, Saket, New Delhi for PSUs/Organizations of Ministry of Railways. CMDs & CVOs and their IT Heads were the key participants in the workshop attended by more than 50 participants from 12 Organizations.

Workshop was chaired by Shri R. Sri Kumar, Vigilance Commissioner/CVC, Shri A.K. Maitra, Advisor (Vigilance) Railway Board and Shri Anil Singhal CTE/CVC along with Shri Mohan Tiwari CMD/IRCON.

In his Key Note Address to the participants, Shri R. Sri Kumar Vigilance Commissioner, CVC mentioned that vigilance is a management function and all CMDs should view it as a
part of good governance. He pointed out that E-Procurement and E-Reverse Auction are the proven IT Tools for enhancing transparency as well as for saving in cost of procurement.

Adviser (Vigilance), Railway Board Shri A. K. Maitra and CTE CVC Shri Anil Singhal were other Key Speakers. Addressing the delegates Shri A. K. Maitra said that IT helps in better governance & fixing accountability. Sharing his experience, he mentioned that introduction of several IT tools in Railways has helped in reduction of complaints by up to 20%. CTE Sh. Singhal gave thrust on adoption of E-procurement for tenders, which is the prime area for source of corruption. Shri Singhal discussed in detail the function and advantages of e-procurement. Workshop participants from other Railway PSUs detailed about their IT initiatives in bringing transparency in their respective organizations.