

No 45020/14/2016-IPS-II
Government of India/Bharat Sarkar
Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya

North Block, New Delhi-
Dated, the 13th December, 2016

To

The Chief Secretaries of all State Governments/UTs
The Director General of Police of all State Governments/UTs

Sub: Online submission of Immovable Property Return by IPS officers through- Reg.

Sir,

In terms of Rule 16(2) of All (India) Services (Conduct) Rules, 1968, every member of the service shall submit his/her Immovable Property Return (IPR) in the prescribed form by 31st January of every year in respect of the previous year ending 31st December.

2. Now, it has been decided that IPS officers would file the Immovable Property Return through online. In this regard, an application, namely, IPR (Immovable Property Return) has been designed to enable the officer to file the return online. Since the application would be available in the SPARROW itself, no separate user ID and password would be required once the officer accesses SPARROW (<https://ips.gov.in> or <https://sparrow-ips.eoffice.gov.in>) by using his existing nic e-Mail ID and password.

3. After filing the above return online, the officer would have to authenticate it by using the Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) already issued to him under SPARROW. In this connection, a 'User Manual' to facilitate filing up the online Immovable Property Return (IPR) is also enclosed herewith and same is also available at welcome page of SPARROW.

4. It is further clarified that filing of Immovable property return under Rule 16 of the All India Services (Conduct) Rule, 1968 by all IPS officers is mandatory. The Immovable Property return for the year 2016 is required to be filed latest by 31st January 2017. In case the officer fails to submit the IPR (online) within the stipulated time limit his/her vigilance clearance will be denied in terms of DoPT-OM No. 104/33/2006-AVD-I dated 7.9.2011:

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5. As regards filing of returns of Assets and Liabilities under Section 17 of the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013, it is stated that the DoPT vide their letter dated 01.12.2016 have informed that there is no requirement for filing returns now. The Government is in the process of finalising a fresh set of rules. DoPT have further informed that the said rules will be notified in due course to prescribe the form, manner and timeliness for filing of declaration of Assets and Liabilities by the public servants under the revised provision of the said Act.

6. In view of the above, it is requested that these instructions may be widely circulated to all concerned officers for strict compliance in respect of filing of Immovable Property Returns under the provisions of the AIS (Conduct Rule, 1968) within the prescribed time limit through online. **Henceforth Immovable Property Return in any other form will not be accepted.** In case of any difficulty in accessing IPR module through Sparrow the officer could send their grievances through e-mail at support-sparrow@nic.in or sparrow.ips@nic.in.

Encl : as above.

Yours faithfully,

(Mukesh Sawhney)

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1. All Ministries/Department of Government of India.
2. Joint Secretary (UT Division), Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi-in respect of AGMU cadre.
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4. Director IB, CBI, R&AW, SPG.
5. Director NPA, NCRB, NICFS, NEPA.
6. President Secretariat/Cabinet Secretariat/PMO.
7. Director (NIC-MHA), for uploading on MHA website under What's New and Immovable Property Return (IPR) → Related Orders/Instructions.