# ETHICS \& ANTICORRUPTION STRATEGIES 

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1957MOTHER THREW HER SON OUT

## Trends

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1975 THE MOTHER REFUSED TO LIVE IN HIS HOUSE



2016 GUE MOTHER HAD BECOME THE

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No, sir, this is neither a flood-hit nor a droughthit area. We are only hit by bad government!

## Major Scams of India

Growth of Scams

- 1948 - Jeep purchase, 0.8 Cr
- 1989 - Bofors, 64 Cr
- 2001 - UTI, 9500 Cr
- 2006 - Telgi Stamp Papers, 30000 Cr
- 2010-2G, 1.76L Cr
- 2010 - Commonwealth Games, 36000 Cr
- 2011 - Bellary Mines, 16085 Cr
- Value in Current (₹ Crores)
- Value in 2009-10 (₹ Crores)

6,25,000


## UNDP Primer on Corruption \& Development, 2008

- Bribery - kickbacks, hush money, protection money, kickbacks, sweeter...
- Fraud
- Money Laundering
- Extortion - blackmail, extraction
- Kickback
- Peddling influence
- Cronyism/clientelism
- Nepotism
- Embezzlement


## INTERNATIO NAL SCENE CORRUPTION HANDLING AT THE GLOBAL LEVEL



## Black Money

Money earned on black market on which income and other taxes have not been paid

- Round-tripping
- FDI
- Gold imports
- Swiss banks


## UNCAC (Convention Against Corruption)

- Ad hoc committee
- First globally binding anticorruption instrument
- Aims at preventing corruption, including domestic and foreign bribery, embezzlement, trading in influence and money laundering
- As of September 2015, there are 177 parties who have signed


# Double Tax Avoidance Agreement (DTAA) 

- 88 signed out of which 85 come into force
- Section 90 \& 91 of Income Tax of India Act 1961
- India - Mauritius
- Round-tripping of funds
- Joint Working Group (JWG)
- Investments to India is USD 87.55 billion since April, 2000


## Singapore Experience

- Policy of Zero tolerance for corruption - Harsh penalties
- Disclosure of all property
- No conflict of interest
- Competitive salaries and incentives
- Corrupt Practices Investigation Bureau (CPIB)


## ADMINISTRA TOR EMPLOYEE

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## Scope \& Reason



- Recruitment, selection of undeserving candidates
- Transfers and postings, giving preference to undeserving candidates, by-passing seniority through discretion
- Disciplinary matters, awarding less severe punishment so as not to affect promotion or punishment not commensurate with gravity of offence.


## Solution



- Transparency in recruitment, proactive disclosures
- Committee system, boards for transfer, postings eliminating discretion, human interface through e-governance
- Ex. Police establishment board for appointment to higher posts
- RTI and availability of answer sheets, marks, keys
- Ex. MPSC prelims
- Timely completion and review of disciplinary cases


## ADMINISTRAT OR POLITICAL

 INTERFACES

## Causes of Political Corruption

- Huge election funding
- Declining standards of ethics

- Lack of legislative accountability
- Criminalization of polity
- Low risk-high returns cycle
- Politician-bureaucrat-criminal nexus (Vohra committee,1993)
- Political domination over administration


## Tackling Political Corruption



- State funding of elections
- Civil services Board for personnel matters
- Disqualification of people with heinous charges
- Special election tribunals
- Special fast track courts for speedy hearing of cases
- High risk-low return business
- Political accountability through legislature and legislative committees
- Financial audit of party funding and financial transparency in donations
- Free and fair elections
- Plugging loopholes in election related laws (e.g. limit on party expenditures )


# Causes of Administrative Corruption 

## MONOPOLY + DISCRETION - TRANSPARENCY - ACCOUNTABILITY - INTEGRITY

- Cumbersome processes and systems
- Extraneous influence
- Low risk - high returns
- Collusive and coercive corruption


## Tackling Administrative Corruption <br> - E-governance <br> - Legal reforms

- Government Process Reengineering (GPR)
- Strong ethical training
- Civil service reforms
- Personnel matters
- Special courts
- Competitive delivery mechanism for services
- Benami, lokpal, anti black money law, foreign exchange, e-procurement, whistleblower protection, citizen charter, foreign contribution
- Database of all corruption cases by NCRB
- Institutional reforms
- CBI, CVC, ED, CAG, EC, IT dept, lokpal and lokayukta


## ADMINISTRA TOR CORPORATE

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## Procurement

## Why is it important?

- Estimates of public procurement in India accounts for 15-20\% of GDP (UNODC, 2011)
- Certain ministries spend half of their budget on procurement alone


## Reasons for Corruption

- GFR, 2005- used in public procurement in india - does not have the status of legislation
- violations does not attract hefty fines
- no central procurement mechanisms


## $P P P$

Sectors where PPP is prevalent - Roads, ports, health, education, energy, urban development, tourism.

## Potential areas of corruption

- Rigged specifications and procedures
- Collusive bidding / cartel formation
- False claims and statements
- Use of sub-standard materials
- False invoices
- Subversion of procedures under the excuse of suitable bidder not available
- Subjectivity at all stages of awarding the contract
- Concessionaire avoids revenue sharing by misrepresentation


## Tackling Corruption

- Public Procurement Bill
- Procurement Redressal committee
- Private sector entities and officials operating under PPPs should be brought within the ambit of law
- Penalty for violation of contract and debarment from bidding for private
- Emphasis on asset declaration of officials involved in the procurement
- Objectivity in rules and parameters for bid evaluation
- E-Procurement


## ADMINISTRA TOR CITIZEN

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## Areas

- Identification of beneficiaries for various Government schemes like Indira Awas Yojana, IGNOPAS (Indira Gandhi National Old Aga Pension Scheme)
- Distribution of the entitlements to these beneficiaries like PDS, MNREGA
- Service delivery to the citizens like issue of caste certificates, birth certificates, ration cards
- Management of public utility services like water supply, electricity supply, etc
- Redressal of public grievances
- Right to Information


## Tackling Corruption

1. On ethical dimensions

- Sensitization of public administrators towards peoples cause
- Imbibing compassionate service trough sensitivity training

2. Use of technology

- Electronic service delivery \& end-to-end computerization
- Biometrics for identification of beneficiaries
- Real time data entry


## Tackling Corruption

- Right to Information act
- Promote transparency and accountability
- Proper training by SIRD and ATI
- Social Audit
- NREGS
- Help from NGO and civil society
- Citizens' charter - Improve access to information and empower citizen
- Integrity Pact
- Check corruption in public contracting and procurement
- Introduce by Transparency International with the help of CVC
- Panchayati Raj Institution Accountability
- Role Of The Media
- Role of Education
- Cultural values
- Ethics, character education


## Examples

- SARATHI project by Pimpri Cinchawad Municipal Corporation to avail hassle free service delivery to the citizens


SARATHI Helpline Dial 8888006666
System of Assisting Residents And Tourists through Helpline Information

- Tamil Nadu model of PDS service


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