**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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**NOTE FOR THE PAD**

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To address the corruption cases in the correct perspective at Municipalities, the Department of Urban Local Bodies had taken proactive measures to create institutional mechanism in terms of SOPs and utilization of IT to encourage interaction between the public and officials of local bodies for faster redressal of complaints and grievances. Helplines numbers-1800-180-2022/1064 have been displayed prominently at all Municipalities in the state to enable complaints/grievances lodging, if required, for the convenience of the Public.

The Department of Urban Local Bodies vide office letter No. 234 dated 08.02.2023 had appointed Vigilance Officers in the field offices to look into and dispose of the complaints quickly lying at the different Municipalities. The Department also intervenes, wherever required, to expedite fast disposal of complaints. Further, Flying Squad Officers from the field units are also activated to visit adjacent municipalities to check the Advertisement(s) and illegal Construction(s) including specific complaints received by the Vigilance Branch of the Directorate. The year wise data of FIR cases registered at different Municipalities in the state is as given below:-

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| Sr. No. | Year | No. of FIR cases registered | Total |
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| 6. | 2019 | 10 | 39 |
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The year wise progressive increase in the No. of FIR cases registered clearly brings out that corrupt officials are being proceeded against vigorously since 2014.

To further show its intent of zero tolerance towards corruption, the Government vide Chief Secretary, Govt to Haryana, Vigilance Branch letter No 04/04/2017-6V1 dated 15.11.2023, had appointed both serving and retired officers with good track record and integrity as independent Chief Vigilance Officers for various Govt Departments of the Haryana including Department of Urban Local Bodies. The said CVO has already assumed charge and it is expected that war against corruption will get a fillip in the times to come.

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