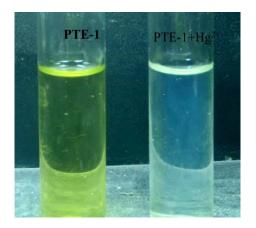
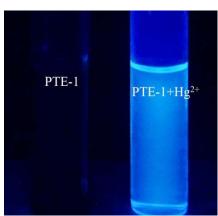
## **Electronic Supporting information:**

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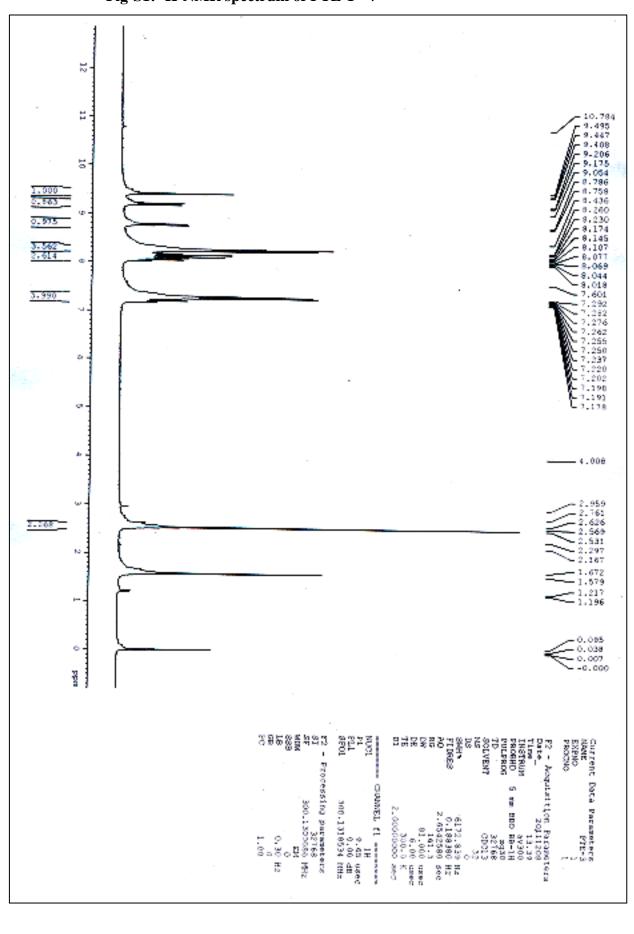


Fig-S1: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of PTE-1

Fig-S2: <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of PTE-1

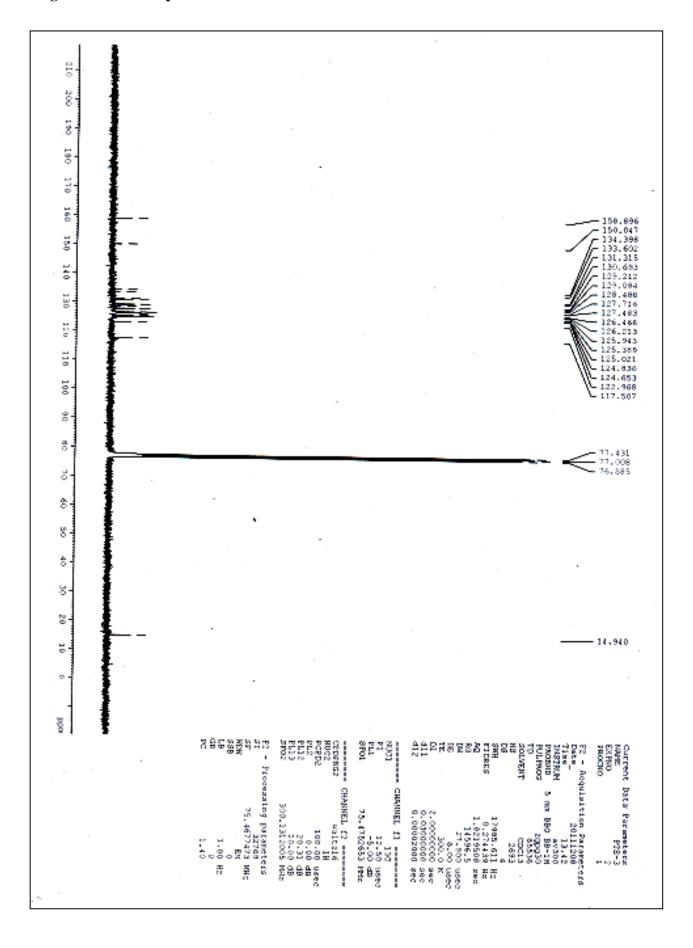


Fig-S 3: ESI-MS spectrum of PTE-1

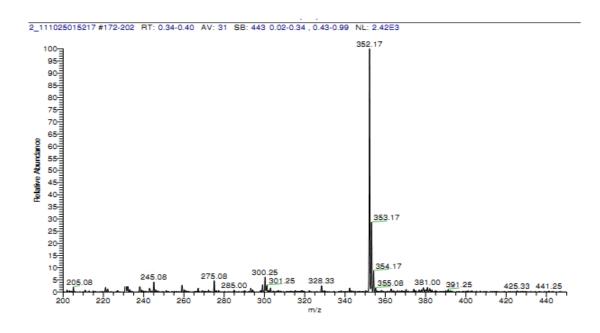


Fig-4: The absorption spectrum with several metal cations  $(Na^+, K^+, Ca^{2+}, Mn^{2+}, Fe^{3+}, Co^{2+}, Ni^{2+}, Cu^{2+}, Zn^{2+}, Cd^{2+}, Hg^{2+}, Pb^{2+}, and Sn^{2+})$  using their chloride salts in  $H_2O-CH_3CN$  (30:70,v/v). Inset selected wavelength to show the changes.

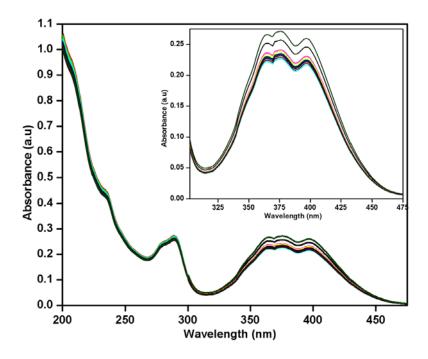


Fig-S5: Fluorescence response of 1  $\mu$ M PTE-1 to various metal ions. Bars represent the final (F<sub>f</sub>) over the initial (Fi) integrated emission. The red bars represent the addition of the corresponding metal ion to PTE-1. The blue bars represent the change of the emission that occurs upon the subsequent addition of Hg<sup>2+</sup> to the above solution. Excitation at 340 nm, emission integrated over 380-560 nm (slit width = 5 nm).

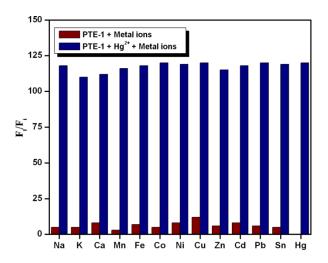


Fig-S6: Fluorescence response of PTE-1 + Hg<sup>2+</sup> on addition with sodium Sulfide

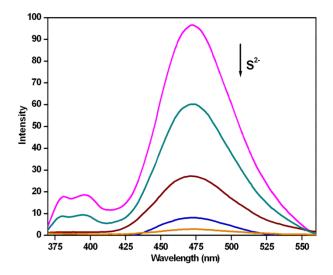


Fig-S7: Dependence of the intensity ratio of emission at 472 nm (F<sub>f</sub>/F<sub>i</sub>) on Hg<sup>2+</sup>

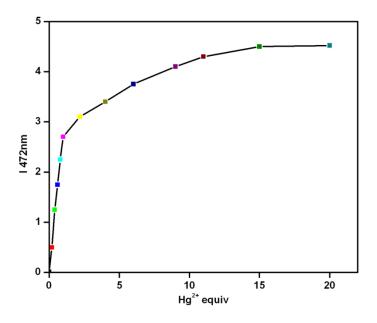


Fig-S8: Fluorescence intensity vs mole fraction of Hg<sup>2+</sup> Job's plot

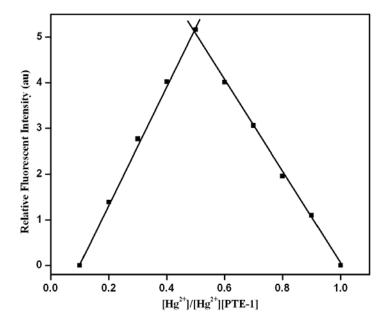


Fig-S9: ESI-MS spectrum of PTE-1+Hg<sup>2+</sup>

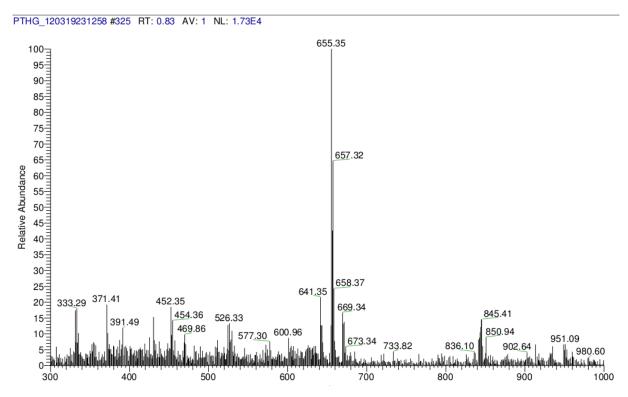


Fig-S10: Emission spectra of metal ions with PTE-2 and Emission spectra comparison of PTE-1 with PTE-1+Hg $^{2+}$  and PTE-2.

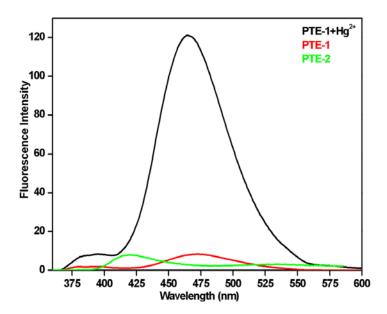


Fig-S11: Optimized geometry of the PTE-1 by DFT-B3LYP/6-31G (d, p) basis set

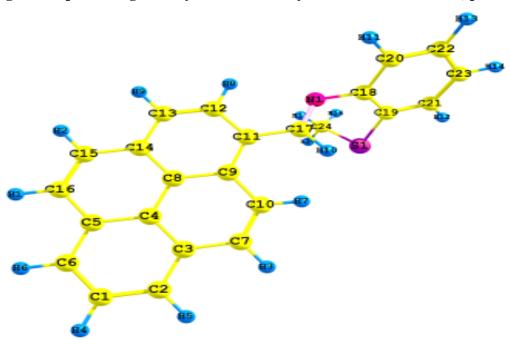


Fig-S12: Optimized geometry of the PTE-1+  ${\rm Hg}^{2+}$  by DFT-B3LYP/LANL2DZ basis set

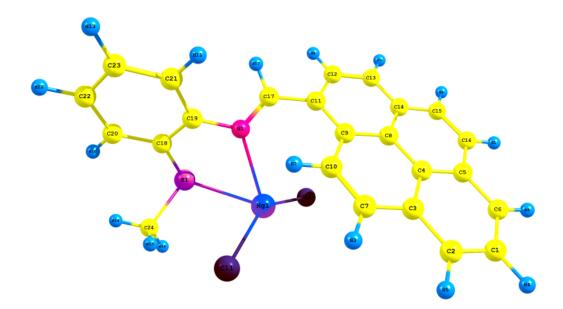


Table-S1: Frontier molecular orbital plots of PTE-1 and PTE-1  $+Hg^{2+}$ 

	PTE-1	PTE-1+Hg <sup>2+</sup>
НОМО		
LUMO		
HOMO -1		

Table-S2: Calculated dominant electronic transition wavelength with oscillator strength of PTE-1 and PTE-1+Hg $^{2+}$ 

Transition	PTE-1	PTE-1+Hg <sup>2+</sup>
	Wavelength (nm)	Wavelength (nm)
	(oscillator strength )	(oscillator strength)
HOMO - LUMO	427.72 (0.2138)	397.14 (0.5446)
HOMO-1 - LUMO	388.26(0.4329)	357.04(0.0163)
HOMO-3 - LUMO	290.18(0.2065)	244.44(0.0249)

Fig-S13: The cell viability studies were done from lower to higher concentration.

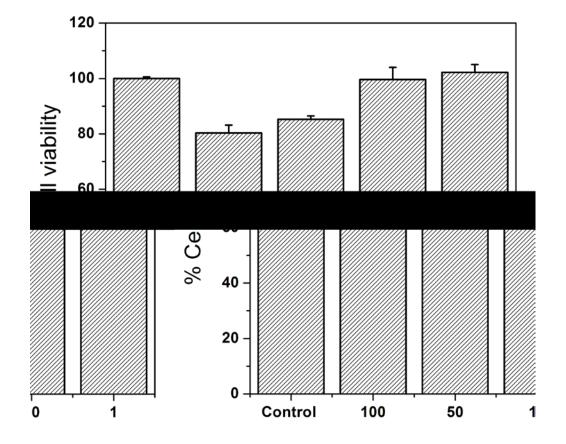


Fig-S14: <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectra of PTE-2.

