PREFACE

The Examiner of Local Accounts (ELA), Bihar, Patna heads the Local Audit Department (LAD) under the supervision of the (Principal) Accountant General (Audit), Bihar, Patna. The Government of Bihar has declared the ELA as statutory auditor of Panchayat Raj Institutions vide notification dated: 18/10/2006. The ELA conducts audit of all the Local Bodies in accordance with provisions under Local Fund Audit (LFA) Act, 1925 of the Bihar State and various other acts of the Bihar Government.

The ELA prepares Report on the accounts of PRIs unit wise and sends such report to the Mukhia, the Pramukh and the Adhyaksha, of the Gram Panchayat, the Panchayat Samiti or the Zila Parishad as the case may be and a copy thereof to the State Government.

This Report of the ELA for the year ended 31 March 2011 is consolidation of major audit findings arising out of audit of accounts of PRIs in the State of Bihar. The audit findings in the Report are those which came to notice in the course of audit of accounts of Panchayat Raj Institutions conducted during 2010-2011.
