

## PREFACE

This report deals with the results of test audit of Government companies and Statutory corporations for the year ended March 2017.

The accounts of Government companies (including companies deemed to be Government companies as per the Companies Act) are audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) under Section 19 of the Comptroller and Auditor General's (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service) Act, 1971, read with Section 619 of the Companies Act, 1956, and Sections 139 and 143 of the Companies Act, 2013. The audit of statutory corporations is conducted under their respective legislations.

Reports in relation to the accounts of Government companies or corporations are submitted to the Government by CAG for laying before the State Legislature of Himachal Pradesh under Section 19-A of the Comptroller and Auditor General's (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service) Act, 1971. In respect of Himachal Road Transport Corporation which is a statutory corporation, the CAG is the sole auditor. In respect of Himachal Pradesh Financial Corporation, the CAG has the right to conduct the audit of accounts in addition to the audit conducted by chartered accountants appointed by the Corporation. The Separate Audit Reports on the Annual Accounts of these corporations are forwarded separately to the State government.

The instances mentioned in this Report are those which came to notice in the course of test audit during the year 2016-17 as well as those which came to notice in earlier years but could not be reported in the previous Audit Reports. Instances relating to the period subsequent to 2016-17 have also been included, wherever necessary.

The audit has been conducted in conformity with the Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

