

## *Preface*

This Report has been prepared for submission to the President of India under Article 151 of the Constitution of India.

This Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India contains the results of audit of 'Maintenance of tracks on heavy traffic sections over Indian Railways'. The instances mentioned in this Report are those which came to the notice in the course of test audit for the period April 2016 to March 2017 as well as those which came to the notice in earlier years, but could not be reported in the previous Audit Reports.

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