## **Preface**

This Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on Compliance Audit for the year ended 31 March 2021 has been prepared for submission to the Governor of Punjab under Article 151(2) of the Constitution of India and Section 19-A of the Comptroller and Auditor General's (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service) Act, 1971.

The instances mentioned in this Report are those, which came to notice in the course of test audit done during the period 2020-21 as well as those which came to notice in earlier years but could not be reported in previous Audit Reports; instances relating to the period subsequent to 2020-21 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.