

## **PREFACE**

This Report for the years ended March, 2018 and 2019 has been prepared for submission to the President under Article 151 of the Constitution of India. Chapter V and VI of the Report which pertain to Public Sector Undertakings under the Ministry of Communications and Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology has been prepared for submission to the President under Section 19(A) of the Comptroller and Auditor General's (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service (DPC)) Act, 1971 as amended in 1984.

This Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India contains significant results of Compliance Audit of the Ministry of Communications and Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology and the Departments/ Public Sector Undertakings under these Ministries. The instances mentioned in this Report are those which came to notice in the course of test audit during the period 2017-18 and 2018-19 as well as those which came to 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.