

Preface

This report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India has been prepared for submission to President of India under Article 151 of the Constitution of India for being laid before the Parliament.

The Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) are autonomous institutions for education and research in engineering matters in India. Prior to 2008, there were seven IITs, the number was increased to 15 by 2009 and 23 by 2016. This was done to facilitate the expansion of educational and research facilities to meet the skilled manpower needs of the country. This report contains the results of the Performance Audit on setting up of eight new IITs during 2008-09 and covers the activities of these IITs pertaining to the period 2014-19.

The audit has been conducted in conformity with Auditing Standards and Regulations on Audit and Accounts 2007 of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India. The Performance Audit attempted to assess availability of land, creation of infrastructure for achieving the envisaged student enrolment, procurement of equipment and services, general financial management and academic/research activities of IITs. This report also covered oversight mechanism in administering these IITs.

The report has been finalised after considering the response of the individual IITs and Ministry of Education (MoE), Government of India.

Audit wishes to acknowledge the co-operation extended by the IITs and the MoE at various stages during the conduct of this Audit.

