## **Preface**

- 1. This Report has been prepared for submission to the Governor of Assam under Article 151 of the Constitution.
- 2. Chapter I of this Report contains the basis and approach to State Finances Audit Report, Structure of the Report, Structure of Government Accounts, Budgetary processes, Trends in key fiscal parameters like revenue surplus/ deficit, fiscal surplus/ deficit, *etc.*, and fiscal correction path.
- 3. Chapter II contains a broad perspective of the finances of the State, analyses the critical changes in major fiscal aggregates relative to the previous year, overall trends during the last five years, debt profile of the State and key Public Account transactions, based on the Finance Accounts of the State.
- 4. Chapter III is based on the Appropriation Accounts of the State and reviews the appropriations and allocative priorities of the State Government and reports on deviations from Constitutional provisions relating to budgetary management.
- 5. Chapter IV on 'Quality of Accounts & Financial Reporting Practices' provides an overview and status of the State Government's compliance with various financial rules, procedures and directives during the current year.
- 6. The Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India containing the findings of Performance Audit and Compliance Audit in various Government departments, observations arising out of audit of Statutory Corporations, Boards and Government Companies and observations on Revenue Receipts are presented separately.