

Preface

This Report has been prepared for submission to the Governor of West Bengal under Article 151 of the Constitution.

State Finances Audit Report of the Government of West Bengal intends to assess the financial performance of the State during 2017-18 and to provide the State Legislature with inputs based on audit analysis of financial data. The Report attempts to analyse the financial performance against the targets envisaged by the West Bengal Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (Amendment) Act, 2011, the Fourteenth Finance Commission Report and Budget Estimates of 2017-18. The Report contains three Chapters.

Chapter I is based on the audit of the Finance Accounts and makes an assessment of the West Bengal Government's fiscal position as on 31 March 2018. It provides an insight in to the trends in revenue, expenditure, repayment of debt and borrowing patterns.

Chapter II is based on the audit of the Appropriation Accounts and gives grant-wise description of appropriations and the manner in which the allocated resources were managed by the service delivery departments.

Chapter III is an inventory of Government of West Bengal's compliance to various reporting requirements and financial rules.

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