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Preface

This Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year ended 31 March 2020 has been prepared for submission to the Governor of Karnataka under Article 151 (2) of the Constitution to be tabled in the State Legislature.

This report deals with the results of audit of Government Departments, Autonomous bodies and Public Sector Undertakings for the year ended March 2020.

This Report contains two parts. Part-I of the Report contains 16 compliance audit paragraphs pertaining to Electronics, Information Technology and Biotechnology and Science & Technology Department, Urban Development Department, Public Works Department, Housing Department and Home Department. Part-II of the Report contains seven compliance audit paragraphs pertaining to six public sector undertakings coming under the administrative control of Energy Department, Commerce and Industries Department and Public Works Department.

The accounts of the Government Companies (including companies deemed to be Government companies as per the provisions of the Companies Act) are audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) under the provisions of Section 619 of the Companies Act, 1956, and Sections 139 and 143 of the Companies Act, 2013. The accounts, certified by the Statutory Auditors (Chartered Accountants) appointed by the CAG under the Companies Act, are subject to supplementary audit by the officers of the CAG and the CAG gives his comments or supplements the reports of the Statutory Auditors. In addition, these companies are also subject to test audit by the CAG.

The Reports in relation to the accounts of a Government Company or Corporation are submitted to the Government by the CAG for laying before the State Legislature of Karnataka under the provisions of Section 19A 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 for the period 2019-20 as well as those, which came to notice in earlier years, but could not be reported in the previous Audit Reports. Instances relating to period subsequent to 2019-20 are also included, wherever found necessary.

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