Preface

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare provides comprehensive health care facilities through 'Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS)' to Central Government employees and pensioners and their dependents enrolled under the scheme. Introduced in the year 1954, the scheme provides comprehensive medical care facilities to 38.50 lakh beneficiaries in 74 cities through 331 wellness centres.

A Performance audit covering the period 2016-17 to 2020-21 was conducted to examine how efficient and effective was the system of procurement and supply of drugs and re-imbursement of medical claims in CGHS and to make suitable recommendations for strengthening the implementation process of the scheme.

This report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India containing the results of audit of Procurement and Supply of Drugs in CGHS has been prepared for submission to the President under Article 151 of the Constitution of India.

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