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PREFACE

This present issue of the Statistical Abstract of the Indian Union (New Series No. 13.) incorporates the latest available data under the important heads of economic and social development. Generally, in addition to national aggregates for a period of five to ten years, information in respect of individual States and Union Territories is given for the latest available year. Every year the Abstract introduces new material and eliminates relatively less useful data. The alterations made have been listed in tabular statements on pages (v) to (vii).

- 2. The publication would serve not only as a convenient source of reference but also as a key to other statistical publications of Central Government agencies. The primary sources are indicated at the foot of each table; the relevant publications of the Departments mentioned, will furnish more detailed information. The various sections of the Abstract are preceded by brief explanatory notes which are intended to be read in conjunction with the tables.
- 3. The continuing co-operation and suggestions for the improvement of the Abstract received from the various Ministries of the Government of India, the State Governments and the public, are acknowledged with gratitude.
- 4. Figures have been presented throughout in metric units of weights and measures. The co-efficients used for conversion of old units into metric units are given below:—

One maund 37:324 kgs. One tola 11.664 grams. One ton 1.016047 tonnes. One cwt. 50.802 kgs. One lb. 0.4536 kg. One ounce 28 350 grams. One yard 0.9144 metre One acre 0.404686 hectare. One sq. mile 2.589988 sq. kilometres.

For conversion of temperature in degree' Fahrenheit (F) to Centigrade (C) the relation is $C \approx 5.9(F-32)$

- 5. Some of the units of measurement used are:
 One lakh = 100,000 (one hundred thousand)
 One crore = 10,000,000 (ten million)
- 6. The following symbols have been used throughout the Abstract:
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