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## PREFACE.

In preparing this last issue of the Abstract for pre-partition India a choice had to be made between delaying its publication for a considerable time more so as to enable essential improvements to be made in presentation and, alternatively releasing it straightaway in its present form. On a careful consideration of the relative advantages of either procedure it was decided that 1946-47 figures should now be published as they are, while such improvements as might be found possible in the context of international comparability should be reserved for the next issue which will be dated 1949.

Every effort is being made to accelerate receipt of returns from Provinces, States and Local Bodies and it is hoped that the dislocation caused by Partition particularly in West Bengal and East Punjab will be rectified in the near future and that the 1949 issue of the Abstract will present a complete picture for all units of the Indian Union in conformity with the standards of presentation adopted in our Monthly Abstract of Statistics which has now completed its first year.

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