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Preface

An attempt has been made, in this publication, to set forth plainly the development of the present economic situation in India and to indicate the lines of action that it demands. As far as possible, controversy has been avoided. However, such surprising views have been put forward by highly-placed personages in this country that it has been found necessary to elaborate certain, even elementary, notions. In discussing policy the aim has rather been to explain, with the help of concrete illustrations, how a single comprehensive and co-ordinated plan could be built up, than to treat exhaustively of any particular aspect or aspects. In this connection, the main difficulty experienced has been the lack of reliable information regarding the structure and working of policies in the various regions. Consequently, it was necessary to rely, to a larger extent than would ordinarily be justified, on somewhat disconnected information relating to particular areas.

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