

Preface

This Report of the Comptroller & Auditor General of India has been prepared under the provisions of Section 19-A of the Comptroller and Auditor General's (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service) Act, 1971, as amended in 1984 for submission to the Government for being laid before Parliament. The audit has been conducted in conformity with the Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

The Report contains results of audit of the 'Crude oil production measurement and reporting system in ONGC'. Following a report on over-reporting of crude oil production in Ankleshwar Asset, an audit of the crude oil measurement and reporting system across Assets of ONGC was taken up.

The Report brings out deficiencies and anomalies in the crude oil production measurement and reporting system which resulted in overstatement of production figures of crude oil reported by the Company. This presented an inaccurate measure of the Company's performance and led to additional subsidy burden to the Company.

Audit wishes to acknowledge the cooperation extended by ONGC and Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas in providing records, information and clarification in completing the audit.