## **PREFACE**

This report has been prepared for submission to the Government of Jharkhand in accordance with Technical Guidance and Supervision (TGS) over the audit of Local Bodies entrusted by the State Government under Section 20 (1) of the Comptroller and Auditor General's (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service) Act, 1971.

The Report contains significant results of the audit of the Panchayati Raj Institutions and Urban Local Bodies in the State including the departments concerned.

The instances mentioned in this Report are those, which came to notice in the course of test audit for the period 2015-16 as well as those which came to notice in earlier years, but could not be reported in the previous Audit Reports, instances relating to the period subsequent to 2015-16 have also been included, wherever necessary.

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