Preface

This Report on General and Social Sector for the year ended March 2016 has been prepared for submission to the Governor of West Bengal under Article 151 of the Constitution of India.

This Report contains significant results of the performance audit and compliance audit of departments and autonomous bodies of the Government of West Bengal under the General and Social Sector including Backward Classes Welfare, Correctional Administration, Disaster Management, Finance, Food & Supplies, Health & Family Welfare, Higher Education, Housing, Information & Cultural Affairs, Judicial, Mass Education Extension & Library Services, Minorities Affairs & Madrasah Education, Panchayats & Rural Development, Refugee Relief & Rehabilitation, School Education, Technical Education & Training, Tribal Development, Urban Development and Women & Child Development and Social Welfare Departments. However, no observation on Civil Defence, Development & Planning, Fire & Emergency Services, Home, Labour & Employment, Municipal Affairs, Parliamentary Affairs, Personnel & Administrative Reforms, Public Health Engineering, Self Help Group & Self Employment, Sports, Statistics & Programme Implementation and Youth Services Departments, etc. has been included in the report, though they belong to the General and Social Sector.

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 the Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.