## **PREFACE**

- 1. This Report for the year ended March 2018 has been prepared for submission to the Governor of Karnataka under Article 151 (2) of the Constitution of India for being laid in the State Legislature.
- findings of Performance 2. The Reportcontains Auditson the "Implementation of Textile Policy 2013-18" and on "Agricultural Marketing Reforms in Karnataka" and significant results of the Thematic and Compliance Audit of the Departments of the Government of Karnataka under the Economic Services, including Departments of Commerce and Industries, Co-operation, Forest, Ecology & Environment, Public Works, Ports & Inland Water Transportand Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development. Observations related to Department of Agriculture and allied activities, Food Security - Public Distribution System/Civil Supplies, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj are excluded and covered in the Report on the General and Social Services.
- 3. The instances mentioned in this Report are among those, which came to notice in the course of audit for the year 2017-18 as well as those, which came to notice in earlier years, but could not be reported in previous Audit Reports.
- 4. The audit has been conducted in conformity with the Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.