## **Preface**

This Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year ended 31 March 2018 has been prepared for submission to the Governor of Karnataka under Article 151 (2) of the Constitution to be tabled in the State Legislature.

The report contains significant results of performance audit and compliance audit of the Departments and Autonomous Bodies of Departments of the Government of Karnataka under the General and Social Sectors including Departments of Health and Family Welfare, Housing, Kannada & Culture, Labour, Minority Welfare, Pre-University Education, Primary & Secondary Education, Revenue, Rural Development & Panchayat Raj, Social Welfare and Technical Education.

The instances mentioned in this report are those, which came to notice in the course of test audit for the period 2017-18 as well as those, which came to notice in earlier years, but could not be reported in the previous Audit Reports. Instances relating to period subsequent to 2017-18 are also included, wherever found necessary.

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