

## PREFACE

This report deals with the results of audit of Government companies and statutory corporations of the Government of Punjab for the year ended 31 March 2019.

The accounts of Government companies (including companies deemed to be government companies as per the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013) are audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) under the provisions of the Companies Act as amended from time to time. The accounts certified by the statutory auditors (Chartered Accountants) appointed by the CAG are subject to supplementary audit by officers of the CAG and CAG gives his comments or supplements the reports of the statutory auditors. In addition, these companies are also subject to test audit by the CAG.

Reports in relation to the accounts of a Government company or corporation are submitted to the Government by the CAG for placing before the State Legislature under the provisions of Section 19-A of the Comptroller and Auditor General's (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service) Act, 1971.

In respect of two statutory corporations viz. PEPSU Road Transport Corporation and Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development & Finance Corporation, the CAG is the sole auditor.

The instances mentioned in this Report are those which came to notice in the course of test audit for the period 2018-19 as well as those which came to notice in earlier years but could not be reported in the previous Audit Reports. Matters relating to the period subsequent to 2018-19 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.