PREFACE

This Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India has been prepared for submission to the Governor of Uttar Pradesh under Article 151 of the Constitution of India.

The Report contains significant results of Performance Audit on "Mining in Uttar Pradesh and Socio-Economic Impact of Illegal Mining" conducted in Geology and Mining Department of Government of Uttar Pradesh. This Report also includes a study report conducted with the help of Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology, Allahabad, Prayagraj.

The instances mentioned in this Report are those which came to notice in the course of test audit for the period 2017-18 to 2021-22 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 2021-22 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.