

## **PREFACE**

This report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year ended March 2006 containing the results of Performance Audit on “Conservation and Protection of Tigers in Tiger Reserves”, has been prepared for submission to the President of India under Article 151 of the Constitution.

The Performance Audit was conducted during 2005-06 through test check of records of the following organizations:

- (i) Project Tiger Directorate, Ministry of Environment & Forests,
- (ii) Wildlife Division of the Ministry of Environment & Forests,
- (iii) Offices of the Regional Deputy Director of Wildlife Preservation, Ministry of Environment & Forests at New Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai and Chennai,
- (iv) Offices of the Field Directors and their subordinate offices in 24 selected Tiger Reserves,
- (v) Offices of PCCFs, Wildlife/Chief Wildlife Warden of 17 State Governments and
- (vi) Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun.