

FOREWORD

This issue of National Accounts Statistics (NAS) presents the estimates of national/domestic product, consolidated accounts of the nation, private final consumption expenditure, savings, capital formation, and public sector transactions for 1999-2000 to 2004-05. Wherever possible, Quick Estimates of 2005-06 are presented in the relevant statements. A brief analytical write-up, giving an overview of the economy as observed in the NAS, is also included in the publication.

2. The sources and methods adopted in the compilation of national accounts statistics are given in the publication, "National Accounts Statistics: Sources and Methods, 2007", which was released by the CSO during March, 2007. Users can download this publication from the Ministry's website at the link, http://www.mospi.gov.in/mospi_cso_rept_pubn.htm.

3. After the introduction of the new series of national accounts statistics with base year 1999-2000 in January, 2006, it has become necessary to release the back series estimates of national accounts statistics for the period 1950-51 to 1998-99 in the interest of completeness and comparability. In this regard, the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation is happy to inform that the CSO will release the back series estimates through the publication, "National Accounts Statistics: Back Series, 1950-51 to 1998-99", latest by the end of May, 2007. This publication can also be downloaded from the above link, when it is released.

4. Our sincere thanks are due to the Central Ministries and Departments, Departmental and Non-departmental commercial undertakings, Reserve Bank of India and the Directorates of Economics and Statistics of all the State/UT Governments for their cooperation in making available the requisite data for compiling the National Accounts Statistics. We welcome suggestions from users for improvement in the coverage and/or presentation of information and data included in this publication.

5. I would like to place on record my deep appreciation for the efforts of all officers and staff of National Accounts Division (NAD), CSO in bringing out this publication under the guidance and supervision of Shri Ramesh Kolli, Additional Director General. The contribution of Shri S.K. Gupta and Shri S.K. Mittal, Assistant Directors, NAD, CSO in collating and editing the material is particularly note-worthy

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