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## **PRFFACE**

The present publication Annual Report 2009-10 is 12th issue in the series. Directorate of Economics and Statistics plays a key role as provider of vital statistical information needed for developmental planning by planners and policy makers in the U.T of Puducherry. It helps to improve the numeric literacy of the administrators, research scholars and public to understand the dynamic changes taking place in the socio-economic scenario of the U.T. The Annual Report of DES highlights the Programmes, activities and achievements made by Directorate of Economics and Statistics during 2009-10. A description of new initiatives undertaken by DES like Non-Profit Institutions (NPI), India Statistical Strengthening Project (ISSP), Basic Statistics for Local Level Development (BSLLD), Conferences conducted and Celebration of Statistics Day etc., are also presented in the publication.

DES has undertaken the work of evaluation of various schemes implemented by the State Government departments from the year 2009-10 and the details of evaluation studies in progress are also incorporated in the publication.

The publication also presents the selected socio-economic indicators pertaining to the Union Territory.

I wish to express my thanks to the Officers/staff of DES in extending their active and willing support for carrying out the activities of the DES and the notable achievements made in various fields of statistics.

I also place on record my appreciation of the work done by Dr. R.Ramakrishnan, Joint Director and Tmt. K.Revady Deputy Director and the officials of publication /computer section in presenting the publication

Suggestions /Comments for improvement in the content and quality of the publication will be highly appreciated.

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