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## FOREWORD

The Economic Census provides the count of establishments including those in the unorganized sector, which have a huge contribution in Indian economy in terms of employment generation.

The Sixth Economic Census conducted recently is A data source which provides data on the number of establishments in the country and the number of persons employed therein along with their distribution by geographical location, type of ownership, etc. The database would undoubtedly be a valuable input for planning and policy formulation. I hope the data would provide insight in the developments taken place since 2005, when the Fifth Economic Census was conducted.

I congratulate the officers of Central Statistics Office, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation and also officers of Directorates of Economic and Statistics of various States and Union Territories in completing the herculean task of conducting the Sixth Economic Census and bringing the results in the shortest possible time.

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