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 1993-94 and 1998-99 to 2002-03. Wherever possible, Quick Estimates of 2003-04 are also 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 estimates of exports, imports, and private final consumption expenditure at constant (1993-94) prices have been presented in Statement 1 of the publication to provide the expenditure components of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) at constant prices. A statement showing the advance release calendar of releases on national accounts statistics during 2005-2006 has also been placed at the end of the "Overview". Special statements presented in this issue are:
 - (i) depreciation as provided in the books of accounts,
 - (ii) comparable estimates of important macro-economic aggregates and population from 1950-51 to 2003-04,
 - (iii) domestic product from livestock sector for the period 1993-94 to 2003-04,
 - (iv) advance estimates of national income at current and constant (1993-94) prices released on 7th February 2005 for the year 2004-05 and quarterly estimates of GDP at current and constant (1993-94) prices for the years 2000-01 to 2004-05.

The publication is also available on this Ministry's website www.mospi.nic.in, for the benefit of users.

- 3. 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 various National Accounts Statistics included in this publication.
- 4. I place on record my deep appreciation of the sincere efforts put in by the officers of the National Accounts Division of Central Statistical Organisation (CSO) in compiling the national accounts and completing this publication in time.

New Delhi May, 2005 (P.S. Rana) Secretary to the Government of India